

South Yorkshire School Business Leaders Group

SYSBL Acceptable User Policy

The purpose of this Acceptable Use Policy is to generate an atmosphere in which freedom of speech is balanced by a mature, self-disciplined approach to discussion befitting of our members.

The Group Administrator provides moderation to help ensure that these rules are observed, however they cannot take responsibility for every piece of information that is posted on the website and you should, therefore, always check the validity of any information or advice found on the website. The Group Administrator does reserve the right to remove any information from the website.

Any member considered to be breaching these terms of use, or asking / encouraging others to do so, will be contacted by the Group Administrator to discuss their conduct and could ultimately have their membership revoked.

Personal Identification

All information you post on the website is recorded against your account which is generated at the time of registration. You may only hold one account at a time on the website and you must not represent yourself as another person. It is your responsibility to keep your account information up to date and accurate and to keep your password secure.

Use of Language

You are legally responsible for what you write.

Messages should be neither malicious nor designed to offend; this includes the use of profanity or swearing. By posting information on the website you undertake to indemnify the group, including all members and sub-contractors, against any liability from any actionable statement you publish on this website. You also indemnify the group and sub-contractors against all damages, claims, costs and losses with no limitation arising from any actionable statements. You must not make statements that are obscene, libelous, seek to incite hatred of any kind or otherwise break the laws of the United Kingdom.

Conduct of Discussion

The Website is intended primarily for topics relating to the core business of the group and for the discussion of items of membership interest. Please try to keep to the topic.

References should not be made to personality of anybody in any information you post on the website, this includes attacks made on any individual's character. Any disagreement or dispute of a personal nature must be conducted through the private email system provided via the website and not through public discussion.

Ownership of Content

If you receive a private email, you must treat it as such and not use the website to forward it on or share it any way without the prior consent of the person who sent it. This does not include sending information to the website Group Administrator if you feel it is appropriate.

Any personal information you may be granted access to on the website should be respected and not used for any purpose outside of the group without express permission from the individual. In some circumstances the Group Administrator may be authorised to grant this permission on behalf of individual members.

All other information on the website will be the intellectual property of somebody and their permission must be sought before using the information outside of the website. Any unauthorised attempt to extract or expose any information for use outside of the website is strictly forbidden - if in doubt then contact the Group Administrator. It is your responsibility that you have the authority to share any information you post onto the website and that doing so is not forbidden by either copyright laws, data protection laws, contractual agreements or any other circumstances.

Advertising and Research

If you wish to use the website to conduct Advertising or Research activities, please obtain permission from the administrator first. A fee may be charged.

Pecuniary Interest Declaration

If you have a pecuniary interest in any content that you add to the website, including but not exclusively, discussion posts, uploaded documents and private emails then this interest must be declared as part of that content. If you are unsure about what represents a pecuniary interest or how to declare this then it is your responsibility to seek clarification from the Group Administrator in the first instance.

Complaints about a Breach of these Rules

Complaints about a breach of these Rules should ONLY be made by private e-mail to the Group Administrator in the first instance.

Deliberate Abuse and / or Misuse of the Portal

Any attempt to circumvent or manipulate your access rights to the portal will be result in your access to the website being revoked. Your access to this site is granted to you as an individual and your login details should be treated as strictly private and confidential and not shared with others. Should you suspect that your account is being used by another person, you should change your password immediately and contact the Group Administrator.