



May 2011 Meeting

The meeting took place on 10th May 2011 from 2pm until 4.45pm

Attendance

The following agencies were represented at the meeting:

- Solihull Primary Care Trust
- Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust (Acute and Community Health Services)
- West Midlands Police
- Staffordshire and West Midlands Probation Trust
- Solihull MBC
- Solihull Community Housing
- UK Border Agency
- SUSTAiN
- NSPCC

The following agencies sent apologies to the meeting:

- Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust
- CAFCASS (Child and Family Court Advisory Support Service)

The Designated Nurse, Youth Involvement and Democracy Co-ordinator, SMBC were in attendance as was the Lead Member as a 'Participant Observer'.

Business Updates

The meeting reviewed actions from the last meeting and received reports in respect of the following:

- Practice and Procedures sub group
- Child Death Overview Panel
- Chairpersons sub group
- LSCB Risk Register
- Training sub group
- Directorate of People Safeguarding in Education and Early Years group

The LSCB requested updates to a future meeting on the delivery of the commissioning plan in respect of children and young people affected by domestic abuse.

Reports were also received from:

- Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO)
- Safeguarding Children Business Manager (SCBM)
- Safeguarding Officer
 - Youth Involvement and Democracy Coordinator



The LSCB approved the Terms of Reference of the newly established Child Sexual Exploitation Steering Group and also agreed to meet with members of the newly formed Youth Council LSCB sub group

SUBSTANTIVE ITEMS

Headline Report of the Child Protection and Reviewing Service

The Change for Children Programme Manager SMBC and Manager of Child Protection and Review Unit, SMBC attended the meeting to provide a headline report on the work of the unit. The unit is responsible for chairing Child Protection Conferences and the statutory reviews for looked after children/young people. There has been an increase in the number of children who are subject to Child Protection Plans.

Work is in progress to establish a management dataset that will further support the identification of trends and themes and also to benchmark the local data against the child population as well as other local authority areas.

A debate took place about the richness of information that is available within the Child Protection and Review Unit and how this information, with a focus on the child/young person's experiences of receiving help and measuring improved outcomes, should be used to inform the work of the LSCB.

A further report will be presented to a future LSCB meeting.

Information Sharing Agreement

The Safeguarding Children Business Manager (SCBM) presented a draft Information Sharing Agreement for approval. The document sets out how information will be securely shared to support the LSCB deliver child death, serious case review and audit functions. Some further work is required with Child Death Review Process Manager, who is hosted by Warwickshire County Council, to promote compliance with the requirements of the information sharing agreement.

The LSCB agreed in principle to sign up to the document and agency representatives will share with their own Information Governance Officers in order to be able to sign up on behalf of their agency.

Any Other Business

In line with the national strategy, the NSPCC service in Solihull is closing on 13th May 2011 and as a result the NSPCC will no longer be a member of Solihull LSCB. The Chairperson thanked the NSPCC for their important and distinct contribution to the work of Solihull LSCB over the years and also requested a final report is presented to the LSCB regarding how the needs of those children and young people who will continue to receive a service from the NSPCC post May 2011 will be met in the longer term.



The LSCB next meets on 5th July 2011 and observers are welcome; however, advance notification is required.

If you are interested in observing a future LSCB meeting please contact Karen Perry
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Elected members should contact mmistry@solihull.gov.uk

Further information on the work of the LSCB can be found at www.solihull.gov.uk/staysafe