



Coventry Safeguarding Children PARTNERSHIP

Business Plan on a page 2020-2022



Vision: To work in partnership to ensure that children and young people are protected from harm and neglect and that their welfare is promoted.

Neglect

We will:

- **Recognise** - support practitioners to identify the signs of neglect when working with children, young people and their families
- **Respond** - ensure that partner agencies provide appropriate responses to children, young people and their families that achieve long lasting change
- **Quantify** - identify the extent and range of neglect in the city and use this information to improve practice
- **Evaluate** - assure ourselves of the quality of our multi-agency response to demonstrate that our work has impacted on outcomes for children, young people and their families

Making the system work

We will:

- Monitor the delivery of Right Help Right Time and Signs of Safety across the partnership
- Support partners in understanding thresholds
- Seek the views of children and young people and ensure that they inform our work
- Seek ways of disseminating learning to frontline practitioners
- Develop a Safeguarding Practice Review toolkit
- Monitor the implementation of Safeguarding Practice Reviews and rapid reviews under Working Together 2018
- Raise awareness of the escalation procedure

Contextual safeguarding

We will:

- Develop policies in respect of 'Gangs and Youth Violence' and 'Child Exploitation'.
- Raise awareness that exploitation is a safeguarding issue
- Understand the local exploitation profile
- Train practitioners to spot the early warning signs and respond effectively
- Develop a whole systems approach to tackle exploitation
- Understand and raise awareness of pathways for affected young people
- Implement methods to disrupt offenders and locations
- Make contextual safeguarding the focus of the annual conference
- Raise awareness of contextual safeguarding with professionals, parents and young people
- Understand where young people feel safe and at risk in the city
- Seek to contextualise reporting and recording systems
- Develop methods for analysing data across the partnership
- Understand the local profile of contextual safeguarding
- Work with partners to disrupt the social conditions of the environment where abuse has occurred
- Evaluate whether improved methods lead to better outcomes for children