

KSCP Safeguarding Briefing

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Kirklees Safeguarding Children Partnership

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Tuesday 8th February 2022

Applications close—Policy Officers

Friday 11th February 2022

Applications close—PDAP roles

Tuesday 10th May 2022

9:00am—1:00pm

Adversity and Trauma Informed Approaches



Place2Be launched the first ever Children's Mental Health Week in 2015 to shine a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health. Now in its eighth year, they are hoping to encourage more people than ever to get involved and spread the word.

[Get involved on the website.](#)

Or spread the word on social media:

#ChildrensMentalHealthWeek



New course added—Adversity and Trauma Informed Approaches

This course is aimed at those who work in Thriving Kirklees 0-19 teams.

A course that has been developed with you in mind. An opportunity to really come along to be able to explore this issue with others who work with families.

Aim:

This course aims to support you in understanding the definition and impact of trauma on the developing brain; alongside helping you develop a deeper understanding about ACE's and trauma, and the impact they have on an individuals health and well-being. To give you a clear understanding of how the ACE's study impacts on our work and what this means for everyone who works within a caring or supportive role. In this, providing you with tools to support you in your practice.

Dates:

Tuesday 10th May 2022, Monday 11th July 2022, Tuesday 8th November 2022

Upcoming KSCP virtual training		
Course title	Date	Time
Introduction to Child Neglect	01/02/2022	9:30am – 1:00pm
PREVENT WRAP Sessions	16/02/2022	1:00pm – 2:30pm
Modern Day Slavery Workshop	24/02/2022	9:30am – 1:00pm
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Making a Positive Contribution to Child Protection Conferences and Core Groups	24/03/2022	9:30am – 4:30pm
PREVENT WRAP Sessions	25/03/2022	10:00am – 11:30am

 [Click to book KSCP virtual training](#) 

Training

Hope for Justice—

Funded training sessions for professionals and volunteers

Hope for Justice Learning Academy are providing funded training sessions for professionals and volunteers working in the field of Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking in the West Yorkshire area with a specific focus on Forced Labour and trauma-informed skills during February and March 2022.

There are three different training sessions covering Modern Slavery Human Trafficking Awareness, Trauma-Informed case reporting, and Trauma-Informed Listening.

These courses are being delivered virtually.

For the full list of available dates and to book your place on the courses, visit the Eventbrite pages below:

1. [Modern Slavery Human Trafficking \(MSHT\) Awareness \(CPD Certified\)](#)
2. [Trauma-Informed case reporting \(CPD Certified pending\)](#)
3. [Trauma-Informed Listening \(Disclosure Encounter\) \(CPD Certified\)](#)

If you have any queries about this training, or wish to discuss future training needs, contact training.uk@hopeforjustice.org

Local updates

Pennine Domestic Abuse Partnership—Job Opportunities

Pennine Domestic Abuse Partnership are looking to fill two new roles:

- Group Work Programme Facilitator—
[View role profile](#)
- Group Work Programme Co-ordinator—
[View role profile](#)

The deadline for both applications is **Friday 11th February 2022 at 12 noon.**

To see more details about Pennine Domestic Abuse Partnership and other opportunities, [visit the website.](#)

West Yorkshire Keyworker Service—Barnardo's

Barnardo's have recently launched a new West Yorkshire Keyworker pilot. The service runs in partnership with the NHS and supports autistic young people and/or those with a learning disability who are in hospital/at risk of being admitted due to their mental health in line with the NHS long term plan.

For more information, [please see the guide on the next page.](#)

For any further questions about the service, please contact:

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West Yorkshire Keyworker Service

Information for professionals

The Key Working Function is part of the NHS England Long Term Plan that by 2023/24, children and young people with a learning disability, autism or both with the most complex needs will have a designated Keyworker. The initial phase of this work 2021-2023 is focussed on young people who are inpatients or at risk of being admitted to hospital.

The service is now 'live' and supports the following group of young people:

- Autistic young people or young people with a learning disability (or both) aged up to 25 years
- Who are currently in hospital or at risk of Tier 4 admission
- On the Dynamic Support Register / Community Support Record and at the 'red' level and at crisis point.
- From Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees, Leeds or Wakefield.

The Keyworker Functions are:

- To prevent and/or reduce hospital admissions
- To contribute to LAEP/CETR processes including oversight and implementation of recommendations
- Developing a cross-system function, with ability to build relationships and access resources from across the system
- Ensuring an appropriate level of provision is in place and accessible to the children and young people who need it, when they need it
- Embedding key working to enable families to manage crises and support community living

To find out what this means in practice for young people in West Yorkshire please contact sylvia.shatwell@barnardos.org.uk

Incredible things happen
when we believe in children.



Local updates

Opportunity—Policy Officers x3 (Policing and Crime)

West Yorkshire Combined Authority

West Yorkshire Combined Authority are seeking to appoint three temporary Policy Officers, to join their Policing and Crime team.

The Role

Reporting into the Head of Policy and Delivery, each Policy Officer will specialise in one of three key areas:

- Criminal Justice
- The Safety of Women and Girls
- Victims and Witnesses

The Policy Officers will:

- Provide leadership on policies and initiatives including developing policy proposals, appraising strategy options and co-ordinating projects and initiatives.
- Advise on their specialist areas in relation to policing, crime and community safety to the Head of Policy and Delivery, Head of Commissioning, the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime, and Mayor including the need and delivery across West Yorkshire understanding the local context.
- Work with partnership groups at a local, regional and national level, West Yorkshire Police and other key stakeholders to lead, develop and deliver a co-ordinated, cohesive and consistent response to deliver on the outcomes and priorities in the Police and Crime Plan and the requirements within national policy.

[For more details on these roles, click here.](#)

Applications are open until 11:55pm on 8th February 2022.

Safeguarding alerts

Roblox

Following some recent reports from parents and school staff about potentially harmful content on gaming platform Roblox, Ineqe Safeguarding Group have compiled a Roblox Parents Guide to help understand how to keep children and young people safe.

[View the guide here.](#)

Slender Man

Ineqe have received reports of children as young as six discussing an online horror character called Slender Man.

[Read the safeguarding alert here.](#)

NFTs—Non-fungible tokens

Ineqe have produced A Beginner's Guide to NFTs as a result of their explosion in popularity over the previous few months. The guide also explains how and why NFTs are popular with young people, and provides advice on how to help minimise the risks for children and young people.

[View the guide here.](#)

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National updates and legislation

Stop Abuse Together campaign

On 13 January 2022, the UK Government launched the Stop Abuse Together campaign. The campaign aims to empower parents and carers to take steps to help keep their children safe from abuse. The website enables parents to:

- Learn about the potential signs of abuse
- Build trust by speaking to their children regularly, which can help prevent abuse
- Find further support, including through the NSPCC helpline (0808 800 5000)

It's estimated that one in ten children in England and Wales will experience sexual abuse before they turn sixteen. That's equivalent to three in every classroom.

Most children won't tell anyone at the time of their abuse. That's why it's important for everyone to know how to spot the potential signs of child sexual abuse and where to go for support if concerned.

[To visit the Stop Abuse Together website, click here.](#)

[To access the digital toolkit, click here.](#)



At least **one in ten** children experience sexual abuse before they turn

16.

[Find out more](#)

Let's **Stop Abuse Together.**



Children's Commissioner submission— Independent review of children's social care

The Children's Commissioner has published a paper, Children's Social Care – putting children's voices at the heart of reform. It focuses on the changes needed in Children's Social care and includes case studies of children and young people in care.

[Read the report here.](#)

[Read the latest update from the independent review of children's social care in England here.](#)

National updates and legislation

Safer Internet Day UK—Tuesday 8th February 2022

Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively. Safer Internet Day 2022 is on 8th February and will be celebrated with the theme 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'.

Connect with the campaign online using the hashtags:

#SaferInternetDay

#PlayYourPart

The UK Safer Internet Centre have lots of information on how to get involved [available here](#).

[Or visit the Safer Internet Day website here.](#)

**Safer
Internet
Day 2022** | **Tuesday
8 February**

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

saferinternetday.org.uk

Justice & Care, The Centre for Social Justice—'A path to freedom and justice: a new vision for supporting victims of modern slavery'

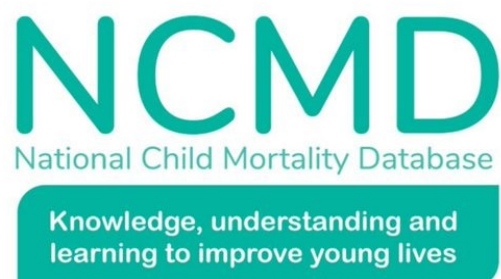
A new report into supporting victims of modern slavery has been published. The report makes 24 recommendations for a new vision of support that focusses on survivors as victims of crime and looks to the long-term objectives for recovery and justice.

[Read the full report here.](#)

National Child Mortality Database—January Newsletter

The NCMD have released their latest newsletter, and with it, the publication of their report on the impact of the NCMD programme in 2021. It also includes the release of child death review data notified and reviewed between 2020 and 2021, helping to understand why children die and to make changes to improve and save lives in the future.

[Read the full newsletter here.](#)



Local and regional policy, procedure and guidance changes

West Yorkshire Procedures—amendments

The West Yorkshire Consortium Inter Agency Safeguarding and Child Protection Procedures have been updated for January 2022.

Updated Chapters	
Chapter Name	Details
Faltering Growth Policy	This chapter has been revised throughout in line with local practice and terminology.
Initial Child Protection Conferences	A note has been added to remind all practitioners of the importance of establishing the nationality and immigration status of children and families. This will ensure they can be signposted for immigration advice and support where required. Furthermore - if as EU / EEA nationals they have been granted pre-settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme - it will ensure that they can be supported to apply for settled status when they accrue 5 years' continuous residence in the UK.
Allegations of Harm Arising from Sexual Activity (including Under Age Sexual Activity)	This chapter has been amended to include information on sexual harassment and violence following the Review of Sexual Abuse in Schools and Colleges (Ofsted) and Keeping Children Safe in Education. See the Ofsted report in Further Information.
Bullying	This chapter has been amended to include information on sexual harassment and violence following the Review of Sexual Abuse in Schools and Colleges (Ofsted) and Keeping Children Safe in Education.
Child Abuse and Information Communication Technology	This chapter has been amended to reflect that section 69 Domestic Abuse Act 2021 expanded so-called 'revenge porn' to include threats to disclose private sexual photographs and films with intent to cause distress.
Child Exploitation: Policy, Procedures and Guidance	A link has been added in Section 1, Introduction and Links to Local Resources to Calderdale - Child Exploitation Risk Assessment.
Children from Abroad, including Victims of Modern Slavery, Trafficking and Exploitation	This chapter has been refreshed throughout. Information has been added on piloting devolving decision making for child victims of modern slavery and on Independent Child Trafficking Guardians (ICTG). Links to Further Information have been added and updated, and a link has been added to the Independent Child Trafficking Guardians Referral Form. In areas where the ICTG service has been implemented, if the first responder considers a child to be a potential victim of modern slavery, they should refer them to the ICTG service by completing the online referral form. Minor amendments have been made to this chapter in line with the UK's exit from the EEA.
Children of Alcohol Misusing Parents	A link has been added in Further Information to Guidance: Parents with Alcohol and Drug Problems: Support Resources (GOV.UK).
Children of Drug Misusing Parents	A link has been added in Further Information to Guidance: Parents with Alcohol and Drug Problems: Support Resources (GOV.UK).
Domestic Abuse	This chapter has been updated to add links to Domestic Abuse Act Factsheets and Domestic Abuse: Specialist Sources of Support (GOV.UK).

Local and regional policy, procedure and guidance changes

Updated Chapters	
Chapter Name	Details
Gang Activity and Youth Violence	Information has been added on Knife Crime Prevention Orders.
Harmful Sexual Behaviour	This chapter has been updated to reflect local practice, the Review of Sexual Abuse in Schools and Colleges (Ofsted) and Keeping Children Safe in Education.
Parents with Learning Disabilities	This chapter has been updated to include information in relation to pre-birth assessments and planning.
Pre Birth	Section 2, Identifying Risks has been updated to include information in relation to pre-birth assessments and planning where the mother has learning disabilities.
Safeguarding Children who Move Across Local Authority Boundaries / Abroad	A note from Working Together to Safeguard Children has been added to remind all practitioners of the importance of sharing information when a child moves from one local authority into another; due to the risk that knowledge pertinent to keeping a child safe could be lost.
Multi-Agency Protocol for the Assessment of Non Mobile Babies with Injuries Including Bruising, Burns and Scalds in Non Mobile Babies	This protocol has been updated.
Safer Recruitment, Selection and Supervision of Staff	This chapter has been updated to reflect legal changes following EU exit, including guidance on checking the past conduct of individuals who have lived or worked overseas.
Complaints and Appeals (Child Protection Conferences)	This chapter has been revised throughout in line with local practice.
Local Contacts	The information for Bradford Safeguarding Partnership has been updated.

Learning from audits and reviews

Harmful sexual behaviour: learning from case reviews

NSPCC Learning have published a briefing based on learning from 12 case reviews published since 2018, where harmful sexual behaviour was highlighted as a significant issue.

Published case reviews since 2018 highlight that harmful sexual behaviour (HSB) should be recognised as a potential indicator of abuse and that sometimes this can be challenging for professionals to recognise and respond to.

The learning in the briefing is relevant for practitioners working with children who have displayed or been impacted by harmful sexual behaviour.

[Read the full briefing here.](#)