

KSCP Safeguarding Briefing

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Kirklees Safeguarding Children Partnership

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Key dates

- **Monday 15th August 2022**
Kirklees SEND Local Offer drop-in
- **Monday 22nd August 2022**
Kirklees SEND Local Offer drop-in
- **Thursday 25th August 2022**
Parent and Carer Kooth Webinar
- **Friday 26th August 2022**
Kirklees SEND Local Offer drop-in
- **Tuesday 30th August 2022**
Parent and Carer Kooth Webinar
- **Wednesday 31st August 2022**
Modern Slavery Briefing
- **Monday 12th September 2022**
Gambling Harm and Young People
- **Monday 19th September 2022**
Key messages from SARs and an Evidence-Base for SARs
- **Wednesday 21st September 2022**
Making a Positive Contribution to Child Protection Conferences and Core Groups
- **Monday 26th September 2022**
Transitional Safeguarding and Homelessness
- **Tuesday 11th October 2022**
Application of the Mental Capacity Act for 16 and 17 year olds

Local and regional policy, procedure, and guidance changes

West Yorkshire Consortium Inter Agency Safeguarding and Child Protection Procedures

The latest amendments to the West Yorkshire Consortium Inter Agency Safeguarding and Child Protection Procedures have been published for June and July 2022.

[Read the full list of amendments here.](#)

Local updates

Kooth newsletter

The Kooth Schools newsletter for Kirklees has been released and contains details of lots of support for children and young people throughout the summer holidays. There is an array of social media copy to highlight that Kooth support is available over the summer period. Kooth are also offering a free results day webinar for parents and carers of young people receiving their GCSE and A level results.

[Download the full newsletter here.](#)

[Download the digital promotion packs here.](#)



Workshops for Children and Young People and their Parents/Carers

Northorpe Hall are offering some free workshops on Back to School support. There are workshops for children and young people, as well as for parents and carers only. The practical workshops will allow children and parents/carers to explore together some strategies to support the transition back to school.

[Find out more and book the workshops here.](#)



The Listening Hub

The Listening Hub was created, so children, young people, families, professionals and community group members can share their experiences and ideas with us to help prioritise our work.

Who can use the Listening Hub?

Anyone!

Whether you are a young person, parent, carer, professional or community group member you can share your voice with us.

[Please click here to access The Listening Hub Submission Form](#)

The Listening Hub will create opportunities for live events to inform change by bringing young people, families and professionals together to share views and ideas

The Listening Hub will contain a network of practitioners to share good practice around engagement and participation and to discuss any submission forms we receive

[To find out more please click here to visit The Listening Hub Homepage](#)

[Click here to watch The Listening Hub YouTube video](#)



Local updates

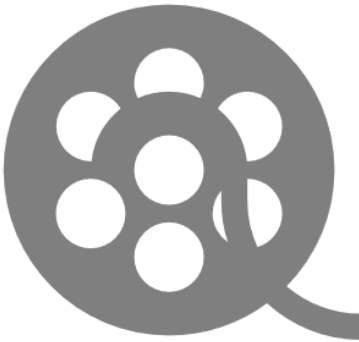
Child Death Overview Panel Newsletter

The latest edition of the Child Death Overview Panel newsletter for Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield has been published. It contains details of campaigns and resources aiming to contribute to preventing the deaths of children and young people. Among the topics covered in this issue are water safety, railway safety, and button batteries.

[Read the full newsletter here.](#)

[Sign up to receive the newsletter here.](#)

Knife crime awareness film



The West Yorkshire Violence Reduction Unit and the West Yorkshire Police Cadets in Calderdale have produced a film to highlight the dangers of carrying a knife and to make local communities a safer and better place to live. The short film is about a young lad called “Sean” who makes a life-changing decision, just to impress his school mates and “fit in”.

[Watch the film here.](#)

Health Commissioning Safeguarding Team—animation

As part of Safeguarding Week, the Health Commissioning Safeguarding Team in Kirklees and Calderdale put together an animation to explain the work they do across the area. The animation shows the function of the team, the other agencies they work alongside, and the kind of safeguarding subjects the team will lead on.

[Watch the animation here.](#)

[Watch the subtitled version here.](#)



Kirklees SEND Local Offer drop-in sessions

The Local Offer team have been offering drop-in sessions at Kirklees libraries over the summer period. The sessions are a chance for parents and carers of children with special educational needs and/or disabilities to come and ask questions relating to SEND and meet the team face to face.

The remaining sessions are taking place on:

- Monday 15th August, 2pm to 4pm—Kirkburton
- Monday 22nd August, 1pm to 3pm—Shepley
- Friday 26th August, 10am to noon—Skelmanthorpe

[Read more about the events here.](#)

KSCP Training Update

Upcoming KSCP training

Course title	Date	Time
Modern Slavery Briefing	31/08/2022	9:30am – 1:00pm
Gambling Harm and Young People	12/09/2022	9:30am – 12:30pm
Making a Positive Contribution to Child Protection Conferences and Core Groups	21/09/2022	9:30am – 4:30pm
Whole Family, Stronger Family briefing session	21/09/2022	2:30pm – 4:30pm
When to contact Children's Social Care	21/09/2022	12:00noon – 1:00pm
Modern Slavery Briefing	22/09/2022	9:30am – 1:00pm
Improving Assessments in Child Safeguarding	27/09/2022	9:30am – 4:30pm
Making a Positive Contribution to Child Protection Conferences and Core Groups	29/09/2022	9:30am – 4:30pm

Click to book KSCP training



Application of the Mental Capacity Act for 16 and 17 year olds



Health Education England



Greater Manchester & the North West 16 & 17 years Old
Mental Capacity Act Health Project



Do you work with young people in a health or social care setting?

Attend our virtual MCA conference if you want to:

- Increase your understanding of the Mental Capacity Act 2005 and its application to 16 and 17 year olds
- Share learning from the North West MCA Project for 16 and 17 year olds
- Develop knowledge and skills around assessment and best interest decision making
- Empower 16 and 17 year olds in their decision making.



A certificate can be obtained following the session

Tuesday 11th October 2022

MS Teams Webinar

09.00-13.00 **Free to attend**

To book your place, please [click here](#).

Transitional Safeguarding—free webinars

The Local Government Association will be hosting two free Zoom webinars in September:

Monday 19th September—12:00-1:00pm

Transitional Safeguarding - Key messages from SARs and an Evidence-Base for SARs

This webinar will draw together an analysis of safeguarding adult reviews where Transitional Safeguarding has been the theme. Key messages for positive practice will be presented alongside an evidence-base that can be used when auditing and reviewing cases of Transitional Safeguarding.

[To book, click here.](#)

Monday 26th September—2:00-4:00pm

Transitional Safeguarding and Homelessness

Continuing the sequence of webinars on adult safeguarding and homelessness, this webinar will focus on Transitional Safeguarding where young people and young adults have experienced homelessness and/or insecure forms of accommodation. There will be presentations that draw on findings from safeguarding adult reviews and serious case reviews, and from research.

[To book, click here.](#)

National Updates and Legislation

Statutory guidance published—Domestic Abuse Act 2021

The Home Office have issued the statutory guidance for the Domestic Abuse Act 2021. It provides clear information on what domestic abuse is, provides and signposts support to those organisations who need to respond, and conveys standards and best practice for agency and multi-agency response. It is aimed at statutory and non-statutory bodies working with victims, including children or perpetrators of domestic abuse, and at those dealing with other consequences of domestic abuse.

[Read the statutory guidance here.](#)

Virginity testing and hymenoplasty—multi-agency guidance

As part of the Health and Care Act 2022, the government has made it illegal to carry out, offer or aid and abet virginity testing or hymenoplasty in any part of the UK. It is also illegal for UK nationals and residents to do these things outside the UK. This non-statutory multi-agency guidance should be read and followed by all persons and organisations across the UK who have a duty and due regard to the safeguarding of children and adults in their care.

[Read the multi-agency guidance here.](#)

Children's social care in England 2022—Ofsted

Ofsted have released the main findings report for the children's social care in England 2022 release. It reports on social care inspections and outcomes for LAs, regulated providers and other providers of placements for children in England.

[Read the main findings here.](#)

Open consultation—Childcare: regulatory changes

The Department for Education are gathering a range of views to help them make decisions on proposed regulatory changes to childcare in England. The consultation closes on 16th September 2022.

[Read the proposals and respond to the survey here.](#)

Children's Social Care National Implementation Board

As part of the response to the recommendations from the independent review of children's social care, the independent Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel's review into the murders of Arthur Labinjo-Hughes and Star Hobson, and the Competition and Markets Authority's report into the children's social care market, the government has announced the new Children's Social Care National Implementation Board. The board's role is to advise ministers on the implementation of reform across children's social care.

[Read more information about the board here.](#)

National Updates and Legislation

Spread the word about #DogSafety

Leading animal welfare organisations have teamed up to produce a shareable infographic to encourage safe interactions with dogs. Recently, there have been several tragic dog attack fatalities, so it's paramount that families are equipped with the knowledge and skills they need to enjoy spending time with their dogs safely.

The Canine and Feline Sector Group Dog Safety Code highlights three crucial messages that all dog owners and families need to know:



Safeguarding partners are encouraged to display and share the infographic as widely as possible to get the **#DogSafety** message out there.

The infographic is available in digital and print versions.

[Download the infographic and find out more information about the campaign here.](http://cfsg.org.uk/dog-safety)

National Updates and Legislation

Homes for Ukraine scheme—unaccompanied children

Since 15th July 2022, the Homes for Ukraine scheme has started processing applications from children who are not travelling with or joining a parent or legal guardian (where sponsor eligibility and parental consent requirements are met).

[Read the press release here.](#)

The Department for Education have also put together a series of resources for schools and colleges to help support children and young people arriving from Ukraine.

[Access the resources here.](#)

Creating Stable Futures—Every Child Protected Against Trafficking

ECPAT UK have published an interim report summarising the main findings from a 12-month participatory research study based on the voices of young people who have experience of modern slavery. The research aimed to understand what positive outcomes for these young people would look like, and what the pathways towards these positive outcomes might be. It examines how to ensure protection and support for children who have experienced modern slavery.

[Read the full report here.](#)



Get involved with #CEOPSummerSafety

The CEOP Education team will be covering a different online safety topic on their social media each week over the summer break. Topics will include things like cyber security, social media, gaming, live streaming, sharing images online and watching videos online.

Each week, people will be able to read the article, download an activity sheet and watch the top tips video.

Search the hashtag to view the posts and to get involved.

[@CEOPUK](#)

[#CEOPSummerSafety](#)

National Updates and Legislation

Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel—National review

A webinar was held by the Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel to inform child protection professionals about the national review into the murders of Arthur Labinjo-Hughes and Star Hobson. The session highlights the key findings and recommendations from the review.

[Watch the recording here.](#)

Adultification bias within child protection and safeguarding

Recently, the Child Q Local Child Safeguarding Practice Review (City and Hackney Safeguarding Children Partnership, 2022) explicitly referred to adultification as a factor influencing the safeguarding of a Black child. Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation has published a report by Jahnine Davis on the topic of adultification bias and how it can impact upon child protection and safeguarding practices.

[Read the full report here.](#)

Why language matters—Digging deeper than “did not attend”

NSPCC Learning have added a new blog post looking at the importance of considering why a child was not brought to an appointment. It is part of their 'Why language matters' series, which explores the language used in safeguarding and child protection, how this affects the actions and perspectives of those who work with children, and what professionals can do to place the child front-and-centre in the words they use. The first article looks at how a shift from health professionals recording children's missed health care appointments as “did not attend” (DNA) to “was not brought” (WNB) can have a significant impact on the wellbeing of children.

[Read the full post here.](#)



A Head Start: Early support for children's mental health

The Children's Commissioner has published a report detailing six ambitions for early mental health support for children. The ambitions set out to ensure the provision of “whole childhood support,” from birth to adulthood.

[Read the full report here.](#)

Child exploitation disruption toolkit—Home Office

The Home Office have updated the child exploitation disruption toolkit. The toolkit has been developed to support frontline practitioners to safeguard children and young people under the age of 18 from sexual and criminal exploitation. This includes social workers, police officers, housing officers, education staff, healthcare staff, charity staff, and others.

[Read the updated toolkit here.](#)

Children & Young People's Partnership - Newsletter

PACE have a couple of events running in Huddersfield on 27th July and 31st August at Byram Arcade (Please see [poster](#)) to showcase what PACE can offer 16-25 year olds to increase employability skills, get Information Advice and Guidance, referrals to short courses, and opportunities to meet professionals for next steps in careers in the Arts and Creative Sector. All free! For further details please visit www.paceproject.co.uk. It's a really fab programme with great feedback from participants. Any interest in anything arty or creative is a chance to engage, no need to be studying arts, could be a hobby or an interest, and may just be an opportunity to engage and get transferable skills to any work force or alternative education. But if people are already studying arts, it's a great chance to look at practical support for next steps.

Healthy Start is a government scheme for expectant mothers & families with young children, which aims to help improve child and maternal health. Eligible families will receive a Healthy Start card which will be topped up every 4 weeks. This can be used to purchase healthier foods and infant formula. In addition, families will also be entitled to free maternal & children vitamin supplements. (Please see the [general guide](#))

SEND - [The Local Offer website](#) includes information and support for children and young people aged 0-25 with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their families. If you provide services for SEND children and families, please let the team know so that they can be included in the offer ensuring families are aware of the range of support available to them. Get in touch at localoffer@kirklees.gov.uk

Schools Out – our Holiday Activity & Food programme will be running this Summer for children eligible for free school meals. Thousands of sessions for children and young people on offer will include all the elements of the HAF programme - a healthy meal, nutritional education, exercise and “enrichment”. The sessions will be delivered by community providers at settings and venues across Kirklees. If you would like any further information regarding the plans for the summer, please email HAF@kirklees.gov.uk

The Kirklees Youth Alliance-led pilot, **Summer Blast!** will operate from 5 sites across the district with different organisations working together to provide a variety of, sports, creative arts, media, cooking employability sessions and much more. This is part of the HAF provision for 13 – 16-year-olds. Priority for FSM-eligible young people. Any queries, please email hello@kirkleesyouthalliance.org or visit the Instagram page [@summerblastkirklees](https://www.instagram.com/summerblastkirklees)

Reducing the effects of poverty on children and young people is an area of increasing concern in the current cost of living crisis. There are new pages on the Kirklees Website to bring together information about [Cost of Living Support](#) available for local people that you may find useful to use with young people and families and to raise everyone's awareness of what's available to tackle food, money and fuel poverty. Families are feeling the pinch with soaring food, energy and fuel bills. Several supermarkets and retailers are offering cheap kids meals in the summer holidays (See attached [list](#))

Our next scheduled full partnership session will be 2 – 4.30 on Monday 17th October. Meantime, if you have any queries, please get in touch with Umar or Mary

Enjoy your Summer!

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