

KSCP Safeguarding Briefing

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Kirklees Safeguarding Children Partnership

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Key dates

- **3rd to 9th October 2022**
#LookCloser week of action
- **Monday 10th October 2022**
World Mental Health Day
- **Tuesday 1st November 2022**
Yorkshire & Humber Forensic CAMHS Stakeholder Event
- **14th to 18th November 2022**
Anti-Bullying Week
- **Thursday 17th November 2022**
Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing Summit
- **Sunday 20th November 2022**
World Children's Day
- **Friday 25th November 2022**
"Ey Up, Dad!" - Engaging with the men in children's lives

SEXUAL
HEALTH
WEEK

**BREAKING
BARRIERS**

#SHW22
10-16 OCTOBER

Local updates

Child Sexual Abuse

A new guidance page has been added to the KSCP website on Child Sexual Abuse (CSA).

It includes sections covering:

- What is Child Sexual Abuse?
- Pathway
- National Resources
- National Support Organisations
- Useful resources for Parents/Carers
- Legislation and National Guidance

[View the page here.](#)



Local Offer Live 2022—Thursday 17th November 2022

On Thursday 17 November 2022, there will be a market stall event called the Local Offer Live. This will be a 'drop in' event which will give families an opportunity to understand the range of services from across education, health, social care and communities that are available to support children and young people aged 0-25 with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). There will also be a range of short information sessions on a variety of subjects families have said would be useful for them.

Event time: 10:00 – 15:00

Venue: John Smith's Stadium, Huddersfield

Pennine Domestic Abuse Partnership—Opportunities

Pennine Domestic Abuse Partnership (PDAP) is the largest specialist domestic abuse charity in Kirklees providing innovative and responsive support services to anyone affected by or escaping domestic abuse. They are currently advertising two opportunities:

- Trustee
- IDAA (MARAC & DRAMM)

[Full details are available on the website.](#)

West Yorkshire Organisational Safeguarding Assessment (Previously the Section 11 Audit).

A reminder that the West Yorkshire Organisational Safeguarding Assessment is live and ready for organisations to register, start and complete the audit. You will find all the information you need via this link on the [KSCP website](#).

My organisation covers more than one district in West Yorkshire. How do I submit for multiple districts? Log in and choose the area for which you are completing the OSA. Once done press submit. If you want to send it to another area, log back out, log in and choose a different area from the drop down list and go to submit and that area will then receive a copy also.

Local updates

Independent Visitors—volunteers wanted

Do you have a few hours a month to help support a vulnerable young person?

Could you make a difference in their life?

The Children's Rights Team are looking for volunteers to become Independent Visitors. In Kirklees, there are many children and young people in the care of the local authority who would benefit from a positive relationship with a trusted, responsible adult. An Independent Visitor is a volunteer over the age of 18 who has time to spend with one of these children or young people. Independent Visitors are chosen by each individual child or young person to be someone that they can talk to and get along with. An Independent Visitor is NOT a social worker or carer. They are not paid to spend time with the child or young person, they do it because they want to. To be 'independent', volunteers cannot have case responsibility for 'looked after children' in Kirklees.

[Visit the website to read more about the role of an Independent Visitor.](#)

Any prospective volunteers can contact Melanie.tiernan@kirklees.gov.uk or independentvisitors@kirklees.gov.uk for further information.

Training and Events



Kirklees Children and Young Peoples' Emotional Wellbeing

Children and Young Peoples' Emotional Wellbeing Summit

Thursday 17th November 2022—9:30am to 12:30pm

Venue: Engaging Space, Brian Jackson House, 2 New North Parade, Huddersfield

This exciting event will bring services and organisations together who have an interest and involvement with children and young people's emotional wellbeing. We value your opinion, and this will be a fantastic opportunity for everyone to contribute, share knowledge and experiences on how we feel we can improve and support our children's emotional wellbeing and achieve the council's vision. Help us create the 'best fit' for you and our children and young people.

We'd love to hear your voice – so book your place!

This event will include:

- an introduction from senior leaders in the council
- a presentation about what we mean by emotional wellbeing
- information about what support is available
- results from the recent year 9 survey
- young people's experiences

**Book your
place!**

[View the current eLearning offer](#)

Upcoming KSCP training

Course title	Date	Time
Whole Family, Stronger Family briefing session	11/10/2022	9:30am—11:30am
Making a Positive Contribution to Child Protection Conferences and Core Groups	08/11/2022	9:30am—4:30pm
Making a Positive Contribution to Child Protection Conferences and Core Groups	17/11/2022	9:30am—4:30pm
Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing Event	17/11/2022	9:30am—12:30pm
Introduction to Child Neglect	24/11/2022	9:30am—1:00pm
Gambling Harm and Young People	28/11/2022	9:30am—12:30pm
When to contact Children's Social Care	30/11/2022	12:00noon—1:00pm
Making a Positive Contribution to Child Protection Conferences and Core Groups	07/12/2022	9:30am—4:30pm
Improving Assessments in Child Safeguarding	08/12/2022	9:30am—4:30pm
Young People and Substance Misuse	15/12/2022	1:30pm—4:30pm

[**Click to book KSCP training**](#)



Training and Events

Child Criminal Exploitation and County Lines—E-learning Course

Parents Against Child Exploitation (PACE) have launched a new free e-learning course aimed at improving understanding about how children are groomed and criminally exploited. The course is for parents, carers and professionals who work alongside children and young people.

Learning Objectives

- Know more about county lines and other forms of child criminal exploitation
- Know the signs and indicators of child criminal exploitation
- Appreciate the impact child criminal exploitation has on families
- Understand what to do if you suspect a child might be at risk



[Read more about the course and access the e-learning here.](#)

Webinar—Tuesday 8th November— 12:00 to 1:00—Improving mental health support for young LGBTQ+ people: Findings from Queer Futures 2 research

Queer Futures 2 is a large national UK study, taking place across England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, over the course of three years. The main purpose of the study is to identify and evaluate early intervention mental health support and services for LGBTQ+ young people.

This free webinar will share learning from the Queer Futures 2 project, including how to effectively use the tools created by the research team. Attendees will also hear from Place2Be chief executive Catherine Roche on modelling effective early intervention, as well as learning from Place2Be's Shout service.

[Read more about the webinar and book your place here.](#)

Free substance use training for professionals—The Base Kirklees

The Base Kirklees is offering a range of training for professionals that work with young people. The training and group work packages can be tailored to meet the needs of individual services, but can also cover topics such as an introduction to substance use, current trends, Hidden Harm and other topics. If you, your service or young people that you support would like to discuss any training or education needs, please get in touch with matthew.armitage2@cgl.org.uk.

Upcoming training sessions include:

- Thursday 6th October—9:30 to 12:30—Cannabis and Young People
- Wednesday 12th October—13:00 to 16:00—Young people Alcohol & Party Drugs
- Thursday 20th October—13:30 to 14:30—Ketamine Bitesize Briefing

[See the full list of upcoming training and book your place here.](#)

Improving Asthma Care Together—free eLearning

Education for Health are offering a free eLearning resource, designed for anyone who supports children and young people with asthma. The eLearning should take approximately 45 minutes to complete and has been approved by The Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health.

[Access the eLearning course here.](#)



25th November 2022

**“EY UP, DAD!”
YORKSHIRE & HUMBER
CONFERENCE ABOUT
ENGAGING WITH THE
MEN IN CHILDREN’S
LIVES 09:30-12:30**

****Save the Date** Save the Date** Save the Date****

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<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ey-up-dad-engaging-with-the-men-in-childrens-lives-tickets-401201433287>

We will explore the topic of engaging Fathers, Partners and Men in practice from various different viewpoints: mens lived experience, attachment, bonding, mental health, learning from reviews, practice tips and sharing of knowledge and experience.

Chaired by Ruth Pearson, Senior Practitioner Child Protection

Inspirational guest speakers

Mark Williams Keynote Speaker, Author and International campaigner

Kieran Anders Operations Manager Dad Matters UK

Fakhary Saleh and Steve Green, Sheffield Parenting Hub - Engaging Male Carers

Mark Gurrey Safeguarding Specialist and Lead Reviewer “The Myth of Invisible Men Review”

Training and Events

Upcoming training from Locala Sexual Health

Locala C-Card Scheme Training

The C-Card Scheme is a free and confidential service for young people aged 13-24 living in Kirklees. A C-Card provides access to free condoms, femidoms, dams, lube and pregnancy tests from different venues across Kirklees. Young people are also provided with information regarding sexual health and other support services.

If you would like to be part of the Kirklees C-Card Condom Distribution Scheme, you need to attend the half day training course.

Please see Locala's Eventbrite page to access this training:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/locala-sexual-health-services-15754070913>



Locala RSE Train the Trainer

Locala are proud to announce alongside Kirklees Council a series of webinars to support educational settings within Kirklees to deliver Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) to Key Stage 2, 3 & 4.

To book onto the FREE webinar sessions, please use the Eventbrite link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/locala-sexual-health-services-15754070913>

After attending a webinar, lesson plans and resources will also be available.

Sexual Health Week 2022—10th to 16th October

This year's Sexual Health Week theme is **#BreakingBarriers**. Locala Sexual Health are supporting Brook's campaign by offering virtual Lunch and Learn sessions across the week. Join the expert panels as they discuss all things Sexual Health and how we can **#BreakBarriers** when accessing Sexual Health clinics.

[To book onto one of the webinar sessions, please follow the Eventbrite link.](#)

Meet Yorkshire and Humber forensic child and adolescent mental health service (FCAMHS)



Join us for an introduction to forensic CAMHS, an overview of the service, how to make a referral, the work that we do and to meet your local FCAMHS clinicians.

Tuesday 1 November 2022, 9:15am – 11:30am

Large conference room, wellbeing and learning centre, Fieldhead Hospital, Wakefield WF1 3SP

To book your place or if you have any questions, email zara.dodds1@swyt.nhs.uk

If you require a copy of this information in any other format or language please email: zara.dodds1@swyt.nhs.uk

With all of us in mind.

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National Updates and Legislation

#LookCloser—Look closer to spot and report signs of exploitation

As part of the #LookCloser campaign by The Children’s Society, British Transport Police and National County Lines Coordination Centre, there will be a week of action running from **3rd October to 9th October 2022**. The campaign aims to raise awareness of child exploitation and abuse, with a particular focus on public spaces. It also seeks to challenge assumptions and stereotypes of victimhood and highlights that child exploitation can happen anywhere, and any young person can be a victim.

A launch briefing is taking place on Monday 3rd October, starting the #LookCloser week of action. The key messaging and objectives of #LookCloser will be outlined, including the current focus on gender and how assumptions can impact the way we safeguard and support young victims of exploitation.

The session will also give a snapshot of some of the exciting activities being run around the country by a wide range of partners as well as signposting to materials to use to raise awareness of child exploitation in local areas.

[Book onto the briefing here.](#)

There will be a programme of learning as part of the week of action. All sessions are free of charge and delivered via Microsoft Teams.

Date	Time	Event
Monday 3rd October	2pm - 4pm	Gender and exploitation
Tuesday 4th October	10am - 12 noon	Making the most of the National Referral Mechanism
Wednesday 5th October	10am - 12 noon	Effective engagement with children and young people
	2pm - 4pm	Exploring the digital lives of children and young people
Thursday 6th October	11am - 1pm	Child financial exploitation
	2pm - 4pm	Collaboration is key: developing multi-agency approaches to tackling exploitation
Friday 7th October	11am - 1pm	No perfect victim: challenging stereotypes, bias, and adultification

[Read the descriptions of the sessions and book your place here.](#)

[Read more about the campaign and download resources here.](#)



National Updates and Legislation

Homes for Ukraine: welcome guide for Ukrainian children under 18

The Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities has published an introductory welcome guide for children under 18 who are moving from Ukraine to England under the Homes for Ukraine scheme.

[Read the guide here.](#)

Consultation: Child cruelty offences

The Sentencing Council is consulting on a revision to the child cruelty guidelines. The Council is proposing changes to the existing guidelines by introducing a new category of 'very high culpability' to cover the most serious cases of child cruelty including death, serious harm or neglect. The consultation runs until 27th October 2022.

[Read the full details of the consultation here.](#)

Anti-Bullying Week 2022—14th to 18th November

Anti-Bullying Week 2022 is coordinated in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance, and this year, it takes place from 14th to 18th November 2022.

This year's theme is... **REACH OUT**

Schools will be able to download free teaching resources and themed assemblies. These will focus on the activities people can take to reach out and stop bullying.

To get involved on social media, use the hashtags **#AntiBullyingWeek** and **#ReachOut**.

[Read more about how to get involved here.](#)



The graphic features a purple background with a green arrow pointing down in the top left. In the center, the words 'REACH' and 'OUT' are written in large, bold, white letters, each inside a black arrow pointing right and left respectively. On the right side, there is a photograph of two young girls in school uniforms; one is laughing and the other is looking at her. In the bottom right corner, there is a green shape containing the text: 'Monday 14th to Friday 18th November', '#AntiBullyingWeek', and '#ReachOut'.

This Anti-Bullying Week, let's come together and reach out to stop bullying.

REACH

OUT

Monday 14th to Friday 18th November
#AntiBullyingWeek
#ReachOut

National Updates and Legislation

Marriage and Civil Partnership (Minimum Age) Act 2022

The Marriage and Civil Partnership (Minimum Age) Act 2022 received Royal Assent in April this year and is planned to come into effect on Monday 27 February 2023. The Act will raise the age of marriage and civil partnership to 18 in England and Wales.

This means that 16 to 17-year-olds will no longer be able to marry or enter a civil partnership under any circumstances, including with parental or judicial consent from 26 February 2023. It will not be possible for anyone under 18 to marry or enter a civil partnership after this date.

[Read full details of the Act here.](#)

Statutory guidance: Keeping children safe in education 2022

The 2022 version of 'Keeping children safe in education' came into force on 1st September 2022 and replaces previous versions. Annex F shows all the substantive changes that apply.

[Read the full guidance here.](#)

Guidance: Searching, screening and confiscation at school

The Department for Education has updated the guidance explaining the powers schools have to screen and search pupils, and to confiscate items they find. The new guidance is to be used from 1st September 2022.

[Read the updated guidance here.](#)

How to spot and support students who have experienced trauma

The Association for Child and Adolescent Mental Health (ACAMH) has published a blog that aims to give educational staff guidance about how to identify students who have experienced trauma and offers some practical suggestions about how to support them within an educational setting.

[Read the blog post here.](#)

Self-harm guideline—NICE

The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) has published guidance covering assessment, management and prevention of recurrence for children, young people and adults who have self-harmed.

The guideline is for:

- Healthcare professionals and social care practitioners, commissioners and providers
- Staff in educational settings
- Third sector organisations
- The criminal justice system
- People using self-harm services, their families and carers

[Read the guidance here.](#)

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World Mental Health Day 2022—10th October

On 10th October every year, World Mental Health Day is celebrated across the globe, to raise awareness about mental health, and to mobilise efforts to support those experiencing mental health issues. The theme of 2022's World Mental Health Day is:

'Make mental health and wellbeing for all a global priority'.

The Mental Health Foundation has a series of resources [available to download here](#).



[Read more about this year's theme here.](#)

Newly published reports, research and data

- [Permanent exclusions and suspensions in England \(Academic Year 2020/21\)—National Statistics](#)
- [Strip search of children by the Metropolitan Police Service – new analysis by the Children's Commissioner for England](#)
- [Family and its protective effect: Part 1 of the Independent Family Review—The Children's Commissioner for England](#)
- [Modern Slavery: National Referral Mechanism and Duty to Notify statistics UK, Quarter 2 2022 – April to June](#)
- [Cost of living crisis pushing worried parents to the edge with 2 in 3 concerned about paying for essentials](#)
- [Charity calls for urgent government support as teenage suicide rate jumps by over a third](#)
- [The Good Childhood Report 2022—The Children's Society](#)
- [NHS boosts children's mental health workforce by 40%](#)

National Updates and Legislation

World Children's Day 2022—20th November

World Children's Day is UNICEF's annual day of action for children, by children. It was established to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide, and to improve children's welfare.

[Read more about how to get involved on the UNICEF website.](#)

Why Language Matters—NSPCC

The NSPCC has continued their Why Language Matters series looking at the language used in safeguarding and child protection, how this affects the actions and perspectives of those who work with children, and what can be done to place the child front-and-centre in the words used.

The latest blogs cover language relating to:

- [Harmful sexual behaviour: labelling actions, not children](#)
- ["Hidden" in plain sight](#)



Unseen Men—Learning from case reviews —NSPCC

The NSPCC has released a briefing based on learning from a sample of case reviews published since 2020 that highlight the issue of professionals not identifying or assessing key men involved in the care of children who died or suffered harm. The briefing includes learning for improving practice.

[Read the full briefing here.](#)

[The full collection of thematic briefings is available here.](#)

Completing social work chronologies: Practice Tool

A new tool for front line practitioners has been published by Research in Practice, to assist social workers with compiling and analysing chronologies. It explores why chronologies are helpful, offers practical tips on completing them and includes tools to promote reflection and analysis of the information gathered. Overall, it will enable social workers and managers to understand and apply chronologies for assessment, planning and review with children and their families.

[Access the tool here.](#)

Fuel poverty, cold homes and health inequalities in the UK

The Institute for Health Equity has released a new report that looks at the direct and indirect impacts of fuel poverty and cold homes on health; the inequalities in who this affects the most, and the relation between health inequalities and climate change. The report highlights that one in five UK households containing dependent children experienced fuel poverty in 2020 and that "lifelong health inequalities take root in childhood".

[Read the full report here.](#)

