

PETERBOROUGH SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD

SUMMARY OF MEETING 24th November 2011

Outlined below is a summary of agenda items discussed at the last meeting. Should any further details /information be required on an item please contact the named person.

1.	Business Planning Felicity Schofield has contacted David Radford, an independent consultant regarding a developmental day in January with a follow up half day planned for March.	Felicity Schofield 01733 863745
2.	Serious Case Review A formal request by the police had been made for the disclosure of the IMRs during the recent SCR but has proved not to be straight forward. The criminal process requires access to anything of relevance but clarification is needed over what is considered relevant.	Simon Megicks
3.	Children's Services Improvement Plan The Improvement Plan has not yet been finalised and is being reconfigured around a more thematic approach rather than a chronological approach. Jane Held, who is currently Chair of Birmingham's LSCB will chair the new Improvement Board.	Director of Children's Services
4.	Referrers meeting 2 nd November 2011. Many who attended found the meeting to be constructive with useful examples. It was disappointing to hear that some agency reps hadn't heard of the vulnerability matrix or escalation policy.	Felicity Schofield / Jane Scannell 863745 /
5.	Response to Munro Report The biggest challenge for the Board was identified as the strengthened performance management role. As a result, the council has agreed to fund a full time Performance and QA post contracted for 2 years to be attached to the PSCB	Felicity Schofield 863745
6.	NHS element of Rapid Response. A group had met to look at the Rapid Response arrangements and found that some parts need reviewing. An action plan is currently being developed.	Paula South 758419
7.	Guidance for signing off. The Board looked at 2 different pieces of guidance: Safeguarding Children with a Parent or Carer with Mental Health problems and Sexually Active Young People which the Board felt needed some very small tweaks and then can be signed off.	Judy Jones 863745
8.	Chairs Report Lynn Chesterton gave an update on the QA group which included an audit being planned for March on Strategy Meetings and the current plans for completing a re-audit on Unborn Babies	Lynn Chesterton 863748
9.	PSCB Conference held on 3 rd November had 109 attendees 104 evaluation forms were received with positive feedback.	Helen Herron 863746
10.	<u>CAFCASS Private Law Programme.</u> Issy Atkinson gave a presentation about CAFCASS Private Law Programme	Issy Atkinson 0844 353 3868
11.	Budget Report. The current position is within budget and any carry over can only be used for future SCRs. Contributions for 2012/13 will be at the same level as this year with a prediction of a slight shortfall. The Board may want to consider sponsorship from organisations to help fund publications.	Judy Jones 863745
12.	CQC Submission. Paula South had discussions with the CQC regarding updates and actions from the Ofsted action plan and the response from the recent CSC inspection. PS is positive that staff are aware of safeguarding. PS had spoken about the action plan from an	Paula South 758419

	NHS point of view.	
13.	LADO Report Karen Osborne presented the LADO Report. The introduction of new guidance for school based staff has changed some definitions and has raised an issue around references. A meeting has been arranged within the council to consider the implications of the Guidance.	Karen Osborne 863654
14.	Ambulance Trust A letter received from the Ambulance trust regarding membership of the Board and FS has suggested that they are best placed on the CDOP.	Felicity Schofield 863745
15.	AIM Assessments Becky Morland raised again her concern about the lack of capacity to undertake AIM assessments	Becky Morland 864210
16.	<u>Date of next meeting:</u> 26 th January 2012, Conference Room, City Care Centre 2.00pm – 4.30pm	