



## **SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD MEETING Friday 3 March 2017**

### **PRESENT:**

**Amy Weir**, Independent Chair; **Kathryn Birtles**, South Gloucestershire Council, Education Adviser Early Years; **Catherine Boyce**, South Gloucestershire Council, Strategic Safeguarding Services Manager; **Rachael Cragg**, CRC Probation LDU Team Leader; **Blanche Duffy**, South Gloucestershire Council, Voice of the Child; **David Gee**, CAF/CASS, Service Manager; **Lynn Gibbons**, South Gloucestershire Council, Public Health Consultant; **Chrissie Hardman**, Sirona, Head of Children's Services; **Lisa Harvey**, South Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group, Deputy Nurse Director, Designated Nurse for Safeguarding Children; **Maria Hennessy**, North Bristol Trust, Head of Nursing and Governance in the Community Child Health Partnership; **Helean Hughes**, South Gloucestershire Council, Interim Head of Education, Learning and Skills; **Councillor Jon Hunt**, South Gloucestershire Council, Lead Member for Children and Young People; **Vanessa Huskisson**, South Gloucestershire Council, Voice of the Child; **Julie Jones**, Soldiers, Sailors, Airman & Family's Association, Personal & Family Support Worker; **Lindsey Mackintosh**, North Bristol Trust, Designated Doctor, Safeguarding Children; **Kate Mansfield**, South Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group, Named GP For Safeguarding Children; **Sonya Miller**, South Gloucestershire Council, Head of Integrated Children's Services; **Peter Murphy**, South Gloucestershire Council, Director for Children, Adults and Health; **Rhian Priest**, Bristol Technology and Engineering Academy, Principal; **Deborah Rodney**, South Gloucestershire Council, Principal Social Worker/Policy and Practice Manager; **Tim Ruck**, Primary Phase Schools, Headteacher; **Carol Sawkins**, University Hospitals Bristol, Named Nurse for Safeguarding Children; **Suzanne Smith**, HMP/YOI Eastwood Park, Head of Safety & Equalities; **Duncan Stanway**, Barnardos; **Karl Stephenson**, Lay Member; **Janice Suffolk**, Lay Member; **Alison Sykes**, South Gloucestershire Council, Head of Secure and Emergency Services; **Sarah Telford**, Survive, Chief Executive; **Sarah Thompson**, (interim representative) South Western Ambulance Service, NHS Foundation Trust, Safeguarding Named Professional; **Robert Walsh**, South Gloucestershire Council, Head of Safe Strong Communities; **Steve Waters**, South Gloucestershire Council, Youth Offending Team Manager; **Detective Superintendent Will White**, Avon and Somerset Constabulary, Head of PPU;

### **APOLOGIES:**

**Paul Coates**, Merlin Housing, Director of Housing and Communities;  
**Anne Morris**, South Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group, Nurse Director and Head of Quality and Safeguarding;  
**Holly Magson**, South Gloucestershire, Workforce Development Advisor (SAF and Safeguarding);  
**Karen Moore**, South Gloucestershire Council, Team Manager (People), Legal Services;  
**Sue Jones**, NBT, Executive Lead for Safeguarding;

## **REPRESENTATIVES:**

**Jenny Macdonald**, AWP, Managing Director for South Gloucestershire; represented by Mark Dean

**Claire Summers**, NPS Probation, represented by Russell Lane

## **NON ATTENDANCE:**

## **EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

The Chair drew attention to the emergency evacuation procedure

## **50. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Amy Weir, Independent Chair, attended and chaired her first meeting. All introduced themselves for Amy's benefit.

## **51. Election of Vice Chair**

Peter Murphy was nominated by Steve Waters and all agreed that Peter Murphy to act as vice chair to steer through Ofsted improvement implementation for 1 year

### **Resolved**

- **That Peter Murphy is appointed as Vice Chair for 1 year**

## **52. Minutes Of Meeting Held On 21 October 2016 And Any Actions**

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record.

### a) Ben Review

Lisa Harvey verbally updated the Board on progress

Catherine provided update from the development morning in December where the findings were formulated into recommendations to go to the next SCR Sub Group to be put into an action plan and the sub group will monitor.

The Board requested the action plan to be presented at a Board meeting once it had been prepared by the SCR Sub Group

### **Resolved**

- **That the Ben Review Action Plan is presented to the Board for information following the SCR Sub Group meeting**

### b) Home Education – Item 33

Helean Hughes presented a report to the Board. It is the practice in South Gloucestershire that all children are visited, however, this needs to be with the parents' consent.

Helean Hughes informed the board that the sharing of information with health is not possible because of data protection. Parents are asked at the first meeting about health. Kate Mansfield said that GPs get notification from

schools of children being taken off the register. There is a lack of visibility in relation to child protection and CSE issues, however this has been brought up before as a worry but without changes from the Government we cannot insist entry into properties to be able to see children and to monitor the situation.

### **53. Minutes Of Executive Committee On 9 February 2017 And Any Actions**

#### CAFCASS

It was reported that David Gee, CAFCASS will still be attending meetings

Practitioners Group - Amy Weir will be taking responsibility for getting these meetings organised.

#### Children Enhanced Services –

Lisa Harvey to follow up whether this data should be provided by Sirona or public health

Robert Walsh assured the Board the services for DA were robust with Survive still operating with business as usual and has provide a statement for the minutes:



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Sonya Miller informed the board that this is now sorted.

Lindsey Mackintosh will look into the issue of 16-17 year olds attending Accident and Emergency Departments, MUs, Walk-in-Centres and Urgent Care Centres and report back to the Board

It was reported the training sub group had not met since the last meeting so were unable to give a recommendation and rational regarding mental health training for non-mental health workers

The March audit theme was agreed as Strategy Meetings and Section 47.

Catherine Boyce reported that the budget had been sorted for the year.

It was reported that the local Assessment protocol is about to be published.

### **54. Ofsted Feedback (LSCB Judgements and Improvement Plan)**

A number of views were given in relation to the outcome of the Ofsted Inspection but it was generally felt that it was not as bad as first thought and that there were a number of positives to build on.

The Police reported that the number of changes in things such as IT should have been taken into account within the report. They have been reported as good by HMIC so why not Ofsted. The Police find it frustrating that there were no interviews with them. Richard Kelvey reported there is an impact of financial cuts

within the force which results in them not being able to fulfil their role as fully as they would like.

Duncan Stanway reported that Barnardos are working closely with South Gloucestershire on CSE although he is aware that there is still work to be done.

It was agreed that we need to think about the way we scrutinise agencies and need to get feedback from frontline practitioners. Amy Weir is looking at setting up a practitioners' forum which will involve frontline practitioners.

What happens next?

As we are found to be inadequate, the Minister will issue an improvement notice. An Improvement Board is to be established with an independent chair. Mark Gurrey has been appointed to that position. Mark has worked with both Wiltshire, Devon and Kirklees which were also found to be inadequate. He also chairs the LSCBs in Wiltshire and Devon. The Board will initially meet monthly and then less frequently. The Board will have a senior level membership and Amanda Deeks, Chief Executive will be writing to partners for membership nominations.

The DfE will also provide an adviser. There will be 6 weekly progress reports to the Minister. Steph Murray has been appointed by Ofsted as its monitoring officer and she will undertake their review of the progress we are making.

Catherine Boyce reported that an improvement plan based on recommendations is being prepared and will be shared with the Board. The format will link to the plan for social care. As well as incorporating the recommendations it will also incorporate issues from the report that did not result in specific recommendations.

The Board split into groups and looked at each recommendation.

### **Resolved**

- **That the Board will be kept up to date on progress**
- **That the Improvement Plan will be shared with the Board**

## **55. Multi-Agency Performance Report**

The board was asked to think how this report is presented going forward and if it gives the information required. It was reported that it had lost the summary of key issues presented, stating what the Board should be worried about. There is a need to give a summary of the items brought up what are the reasons and implications.

Lisa Harvey reported the CCG had given authorisation to give 2017/18 health data as requested.

The LSCB needs to be proactive in bringing any challenges or changes within the agencies.

- News and Research – This should go out as monthly resource and not within performance report. A thematic reading group to be set up to enable the Board to use learning from other authorities.
- Data to be separated by education and early years' categories.

- Date on private fostering to be added
- AWP data  
There has been a project change in system work and will be able to capture data by end of April/beginning of May.
- CSE sub group will be focusing on data report and there will be an expansion on the data collecting to be reported
- Page 5  
Need to have a summary of why conferences and reviews are not held on time
- Page 11  
MARAC  
Data is under review. The Police are able to report sooner so that is why the numbers are going down. Practitioners who report MARAC all make contribution to the report.
- Page 18  
The workforce figures for health visitors and CAMHS to be added
- Page 21  
Single agency audit  
The Board were reminded to send in any single agency audits

#### **Resolved**

- 1. That news and resource should go out as monthly resource**
- 2. That a thematic reading group to be set up to enable the Board to use learning from other authorities.**
- 3. That data to be separated by education and early years' categories.**
- 4. That data on private fostering to be added**

#### **56. Quality Assurance Sub Group Audit**

Lisa Harvey presented the audit on transferring children from CAHMS to the mental health service. This was conducted before the Ofsted inspection which has required that the group should be making judgement on cases and rate individual audits.

The board split into groups to review each of the recommendations.

#### **57. Disabled Children's Safeguarding Plan**

Adrian Wells presented the report.

It was agreed that a task and finish group should be established to take this work forward and that a person involved with disabled children should be in the membership of the Board

#### **Resolved**

- **That a task and finish group be set up**
- **That a person involved with disabled should become a member of the board**

## **58. Update on MASH**

It was reported that police, South Gloucestershire Council and Health have been working to develop a South Gloucestershire MASH suitable for contributing partners. It will not alter the way in which safeguarding concerns are reported to the front door only in the way concerns are reviewed prior to decision making. It will sit behind the front door and will be multi-agency.

It is recommended that the Board recommends that the MASH takes effect from 3 April, and reports back to the Board in 6 months.

The Board agreed to the commencement of MASH with effect from 3 April 2017.

### **Resolved**

- **That the Board receives a further report in October on progress on the MASH implementation**

## **59. Vinney Green**

Alison Sykes reported the outcome of Vinney Green Secure Units Ofsted inspection in September 2016 was rated good, and have been verbally told the performance has improved

Alison reported that the LADO comes to the unit once a month and the YJB come in 6 monthly. They will look at CTV footage.

Kate Mansfield reported that since she has been on the board she has seen many examples of really good practice.

Peter Murphy said he was proud of the work Alison and her team do within Vinney Green.

## **60. Challenge Log**

Updates:

- DA notification police and social care pilot to take place in South Gloucestershire to implement the BRAG rating which will mean screening is undertaken by the referring officers. Future reports to Board to track progress – completed
- 0-25 recommendations presented to the Board. Agreement to a task and finish group to look at the Board and partners response to disabled children – completed

### **Resolved**

- **That the Challenge Log be updated**

## **61. Forward Plan**

Ofsted Improvement Plan to be added to each meeting

### **Resolved**

- **That Ofsted Improvement Plan be added to each meeting**

## 62. Any Other Business

The Board were advised that the distribution of future correspondence would be by a secure website. Each Board member would receive an email explaining how to log on.

### Next Meeting

5 May 2017

9.00-1.00

Committee Room 1

Kingswood Civic Centre

Item	Resolution
51	<b>Election of Vice Chair</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>That Peter Murphy is appointed as Vice Chair for 1 year</li></ul>
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