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**Agency Child Protection Conference Report with Chronology**

**Initial Child Protection Conference for Britney, Christina and Billie White and Review Child Protection Conference for Toni and Whitney Smith and Taylor Jones.**

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| **Date of Conference** | 05/03/2024 |

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| **Name & Address of Agency** | Fairhaven Children’s Services |
| **Name of worker writing report** | Mick Crawford |
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| **Date report written** | 01/03/2024 |

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| **Are you planning to attend the Child Protection Conference** | Yes / No |
| **Name and email address of representative attending if not yourself** |  |

**Family Details**

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| **Child(ren)’s Name** | **Date of Birth** | **Address** |
| Britney White | 01/01/2010 | 10 Hilltop Road, Fairhaven |
| Christina White | 01/01/2012 | 10 Hilltop Road, Fairhaven |
| Billie White | 01/01/2014 | 10 Hilltop Road, Fairhaven |
| Toni Smith | 01/01/2015 | 5 Crosskeys Lane, Fairhaven |
| Whitney Smith | 01/01/2017 | 5 Crosskeys Lane, Fairhaven |
| Taylor Jones | 01/01/2023 | 5 Crosskeys Lane, Fairhaven |

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| **Parents’/Carers’ names** | **Date of Birth** | **Address** |
| Sam White (dad to Britney, Christina and Billie White) | 14/03/1990 | 10 Hilltop Road, Fairhaven |
| Julie White (step-mum to Britney Christina and Billie White) | 16/09/1990 | 10 Hilltop Road, Fairhaven |
| Mariah Smith (mum to all children) | 01/04/1989 | 5 Crosskeys Lane, Fairhaven |
| Brad Jones (mum’s partner and dad to Taylor) | 30/11/1999 | 5 Crosskeys Lane, Fairhaven |
| Colin Reed (dad to Toni and Whitney) | Not known | Not known |

**In order to ensure that the child(ren) and their family are fully supported to actively participate in the Child Protection Conference, it is important that the following points are addressed –**

* All sections of the report are completed in full using language the family will understand.
* Report focuses on the **impact** on the child(ren) and what they or their presentation has told us.

**This report is to be shared and discussed by your agency with the Child(ren)/Young People (in an age-appropriate way) and all Parents/Carers and a copy of the report is sent to the Child Protection Chair - The timescales for this are at least 2 working days prior to an Initial Conference and 3 working days prior to a Review conference.**

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| **Chronology – the child(ren)’s lived experience \***Please refer to chronology guidance notes before completing | | | | | | |
| **Date period of chronology: 05/04/2022 to 05/03/2024 (with additional historical information as per guidance)**   * For ICPC the chronology should contain details of **Significant Events for the child/ren** **in the last 2 years\*\*.** Inc. all allocated SW episodes with start/end dates, including whether EH/FS/CIN/CP; major life events for child, including births, deaths, significant transitions, i.e. unplanned house moves, serious illness, separations, such as parent/carers separating and changes to immigration status. * **\*\*** Where there have been Care Proceedings for the child or older siblings, and/or legal proceedings in respect of Education attendance, the dates, and outcomes of each set of proceedings must be included irrespective of timeline. * Education attendance entries should be summarised half termly. * Health workers: please see detailed guidance note   **Where child becomes subject of a CP plan, the chronology timeline should cover the full time period between conferences, i.e. 3 months or 6 months**. | | | | | | |
| **Date / time of event:** | **Source of Information:**  Where information originated from e.g. a worker (inc. name & title), the child, parent, friend, or relative  **[Mandatory completion]** | Significant event  Brief description of event. Language must be clear and concise | **Impact for child:**  **RED** = safeguarding event and/or cumulative negative, harmful events/outcome.  **AMBER** = significant life events.  **GREEN** = positive events / outcomes  **RAG rating only – no narrative** | **Action taken/Actual** **outcome**:  Very short statement of action. E.G. Increased home visits / S47 Strategy Meeting & ICPC held / Parent responded immediately, took child to A&E  *Narrative* ***must*** *be in the child’s agency record or clinical notes* | **Overall impact for child:**  **RED** = confirmed negative, harmful outcomes.  **AMBER** = some continuing risk OR improving/positive outcome, further change needed  **GREEN** = confirmed positive outcomes – parenting strengths utilised, child experiences safe care |
| 01/01/2017 – 01/06/2018 | Historical information from Social care records | Concerns raised by health visitor and school about unhygienic living conditions, lack of routine and stimulation and Mariah was drinking heavily. | **Red** | CP plan in place for Britney, Christina and Billie, category of neglect, for one year. Sam and partner Julie granted Residence Orders for all three. Case closed to Social Care. | **Green** |
| 05/04/2022 | Trudi Ball, Headteacher Fairhaven Primary | Referral to CADs - Mariah pregnant with her 6th child, with new partner Brad Jones. Concerns about Toni and Whitney’s appearance. | **Amber** | Health informed of baby’s due date and social work assessment initiated. | **Amber** |
| 06/05/2022 – 03/06/2022 | Katie Price Senior Social worker, Fairhaven Children’s Services | Social work assessment completed. Improvements noted. | **Amber** | Intensive Support worker visiting daily.  Referral made to CGL for Brad. | **Amber** |
| 30/06/2022 | Emma Willis Fairhaven midwifery services | Three appointments offered on 02/04/2022, 15/05/2022 and 28/05/2022 but Mariah and Brad did not attend. Finances cited as the reason. | **Red** | Social worker provided transport. No concerns raised about baby’s growth.  Referral made to local benefit support charity. | **Amber** |
| 07/07/2022 | Trudi Ball Headteacher Fairhaven Primary  Police child at risk notification received. | Toni came to school upset saying ‘daddy (Brad) was drinking and hurt mummy’.  Police report received about domestic abuse incident | **Red** | Joint home visit made to see the children and Mariah, by Katie Price and Mick Crawford (social workers). No concerns raised. | **Amber** |
| 07/08/2022 | Emma Willis Fairhaven midwifery services | Mariah attended a health appointment today. | **Green** | Baby developing well, no concerns. | **Green** |
| 10/10/2022 | Katie Price Senior Social worker, Fairhaven Children’s Services | Child in Need Review meeting held. Mum and Brad separated. Progress noted in all areas. | **Green** | Case closed to Children’s Services. | **Green** |
| **01/01/2023** | **Mariah Smith** | **Taylor Jones born (baby boy)** | **Amber** | No concerns raised with Children’s Services. | **Green** |
| 20/05/2023 | Police child at risk notification | Police report that Brad Jones attended the home under the influence of alcohol. | **Red** | Police gave words of advice Referral to IDVA.  Mariah followed her safety plan.  CADS agreed no further action. | **Green** |
| 29/08/2023 | Police child at risk notification | Police called by Britney (13). after Brad assaulted Mariah. Brad Jones living with the family again. Christina and Billie present too. Police noted a deterioration in the home environment. | **Red** | CADS decision – social work assessment. | **Red** |
| 06/09/2023 | Precious Ramotswe  Health Visitor | Health visitor reporting unhygienic home conditions and lack of routine. Parents have poor mental health and are drinking. | **Red** | Joint visit made (health and social care). Referral made to intensive support team. | **Red** |
| 08/09/2023 – 30/11/2023 | Mick Crawford Social Worker | Social work assessment visits undertaken under CIN. Only gained entry for two visits out of seven. | **Red** | Strategy discussion held about Toni, Whitney and Taylor. Agreed Initial CP conference needed. | **Red** |
| 28/09/2023 -30/11/2023 | Mick Crawford Social Worker | Home visits to Sam and Julie.  No concerns raised. No unsupervised contact for Britney, Christina or Billie in Mariah’s home at this stage. | **Amber** | Decision for Britney, Billie and Christina to remain CIN. | **Green** |
| 12/12/2023 | Mick Crawford  Social worker | Initial Case Conference held. Toni, Whitney and Taylor subject to CP plans under the category of neglect. | **Red** | Multi-agency group agree plan and actions. | **Red** |
| 12/01/2024 | David Sheen  Deputy Safeguarding lead and Deputy Headteacher, Fairhaven High School | Britney discloses sexual abuse from Brad. | **Red** | Strategy discussion held. Britney ABE interviewed.  Brad arrested and bailed to have no contact with the children. S47 enquiry opened for Britney Christina and Billie. | **Red** |
| 15/01/2024 | Mick Crawford  Social worker | Visit with Precious Ramotswe (Health) Concerns remain about Taylor’s weight. | **Red** | Agreed increased social work visits to Mariah and the children.  Daily visiting from intensive support. | **Red** |
| 13/01/2024 -14/02/2024 | Mick Crawford  Social worker | Homes visits to Sam and Julie. Concerns raised about relationships in the home. Britney’s allegation not believed. | **Red** | Strategy discussion held. Decision made to have an Initial CP conference for Britney, Christina and Billie. | **Red** |

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| **What does this lived experience mean for the child(ren)?** (Analysis Summary) |
| * **What is working well for the child that reduces the risks and increases the child’s safety and resilience? Identify family strengths and safe behaviours (Include strengths within the wider family network which increase safety).**   -Mariah is happy for intensive support to visit to help her and they have visited everyday for the last 2 weeks. Mum is engaging with support about safe feeding, support with mealtimes and bath times.  -Mariah has shown previously that she can follow a safety plan to ensure Brad isn’t in the home. When this happened before this did increase the children’s safety and her care of them improved.  -Sam and Julie have previously engaged well with social work interventions and were able to meet Britney, Christina and Billie’s needs to a good standard and keep them safe.   * **What are you worried about in the child(ren)’s life that may lead to / results in risk and harm for them? (Confirm if long term issue or recent event)**   -Mariah has not evidenced that she could adhere to the safety plan. As a result of Brad having contact with her children, we have had a disclosure of sexual abuse by Britney.  -Sam and Julie have also not evidenced that they can adhere to the safety plan. There are two occasions when the children have had overnight stays with their siblings and been involved in risky incidents at Mariah’s family home. As a result of staying at Mariah’s home unsupervised, we have had a disclosure of sexual abuse by Britney. This indicates they are not taking seriously the concerns about Mariah’s parenting and ability to keep children safe.  -Julie is struggling to believe Britney’s allegation which is impacting negatively on her, but also indicates that Julie and Sam are unable to be as protective as we would want to all three of the children in their care.  -Mariah is struggling to believe that Brad could have been a risk to the children. Therefore, she is unlikely to be able to consistently follow the safety plan to keep him out of the family home and put her children’s needs first.  -Mariah struggles with everyday routines, due to not having had them herself as a child. This means she relies upon partners, like Brad, to help her with everyday tasks with the children. This impacts upon her ability to take on board the concerns from professionals.  -Mariah has struggled to understand health visitor instructions and concerns. There is a query whether Mariah needs a greater level of support as she could have some degree of learning disability, or impaired learning resulting from her own traumatic childhood.  -We are worried about the impact upon Britney of having suffered sexual abuse as well as previous neglect. Britney already struggled with some level of anxiety, so this is something extra for her to manage. We are also worried about the emotional impact upon the other children, knowing this has happened in their family.   * **What do you believe will be the likely outcome for the child(ren) if their current situation continues?**   -There is a strong likelihood of further risk of sexual harm.  -There is also a risk of further emotional harm to Britney from either feeling not believed by her mum and Julie, or seeing Brad again in the household and not feeling safe.  -There is an increased risk of emotional harm to the other siblings, knowing Britney has been abused and feeling afraid this could happen to them if they see Brad.  -The above emotional harm will have a negative impact upon the children’s health and general development in the family, as it undermines the feelings of safety they need at home to grow and develop.  -Taylor is failing to thrive in the household. The concern is that Mariah will become further distracted by what is happening with Brad, which would lead to Taylor being further neglected. |

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| **Child(ren)’s views on their situation and on the report.**  (Please ensure you have the child(ren)’s permission to share their views with parents/carers and with conference members). | |
| What has the child shared with you they are worried about?  What do they say has been working well?  What do they say they would like to happen? | |
| Date report shared with child (10+) |  |
| **Parents’/carers’ views** | |
| Views on the support you have provided and whether they think this has helped their child.  Parent’s/carer’s view of the information contained within this report. | |
| Date report shared with parents/carers |  |

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| **Proposed recommendation (Please refer to email provided regarding threshold and/or NSCP website for guidance):**  Please consider for each child/young person whether the threshold for a Child Protection Plan is met and why.  **Scaling question**  **On a scale of 0 to 10 where 10 is that the child is safe and their needs are being met, and 0 is that this child is at risk of significant ongoing harm and/or their needs are not met, how would you rate the current situation?** | | | | | |
| **Name of child/ren** | **Scale** | **CP** | **Category** | **CIN** | **NFA** |
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| **Reasons** | | | | | |

**Signature:**

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| **Please send the completed form to the Independent Reviewing Service -**    Send by email: **cs.bsupport.bowthorpe@norfolk.gov.uk**  **Please remember to send a copy of the report, including the Chronology, to the Chair of the conference least 2 working days prior to an Initial Conference and 3 working days prior to a Review Conference.** |