

**Local Safeguarding Children Group (LSCG) – Breckland & East**

**Date: 23 March 2023 10:00 – 12:00**

**Venue: MS Teams**

**Present:**

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| **Name** | **Title** | **Organisation** |
| Abigail McGarry E | Head of NSCP business delivery | NSCP/ NCC |
| Adam Markham E | Safeguarding lead | Inspiration Trust / Great Yarmouth Primary Academy |
| Brian Feltham- Daniels B | Community Focus Officer - Breckland Area | NCC |
| Dan Smith E | Sergeant – Operational Partnership team | Norfolk Police |
| Di Pooley B | Independent Reviewing Officer | NCC |
| Emma Cameron E | Manager |  |
| Evelyn Treadwell E | Family Programme coordinator | Early Child & Family Service |
| Heather Heslin B | Team Manger Intensive Support | NCC |
| Kath Griffiths | Locality Manager Libraries | NCC |
| Lesley Brown B | Case coordinator | Leeway |
| Leon McLoughlin- Smith | Co-Head of Norfolk & Suffolk | National Probation Service |
| Michelle Wilkins B | Community Focus Officer | NCC |
| Mark Osborn | Safeguarding Intelligence and Performance Co-ordinator | NSCP /NCC |
| Nikki Lane E | Student services manager | East Coast College |
| Tracey Palmer B | Family programme coordinator | Early childhood service |
| Sarah Agger- Co Chair | Senior Safeguarding Lead - Primary | Inspiration Trust / Great Yarmouth Primary Academy |
| Simon Minter B | Head Teacher | Hillside Primary School |
| Steve Scott-Green E | Prevention & EH manager | GY Borough Council |
| Vicki Graystone E | Youth Justice Officer – Children’s Social Care | Norfolk YOT |
| Zee Bacon E &N | Lead worker | Matthew Project |
| Nicola Simpson | Executive Assistant | NCC |
| **Apologies** |  |  |
| Vicki Horton | Head of Family Support | NCC |

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|  | **Item** |
| **1** | **Welcome & Introductions**  **Chairs highlights-partnership updates**  **Updates and outcomes from previous meeting**  Sarah welcomed everyone to todays joined meeting between East and Breckland LSCG due to Philip Beck and Rob Cole being unavailable to chair today.  Introductions were made.  Mark shared the partner updates – highlighting the strategic priority briefings and the YAB March newsletter.     * Please continue to send in any updates to share with members. * Contact MO if you would be interested in delivering a briefing   SA mentioned the JAGS and graded care profile that were discussed at the last meeting- MO added a questionnaire to complete within the team chat to get feedback.  An action from last month was to feedback to Philip B with ref to the last multi agency meeting, also feedback to be sent to PB from the November LSCG meeting. PB not present to update. |
| **2** | **Attendance Strategy**  SA spoke of the attendance strategy and that attendance is everyone’s business and asked members to share what they feel are some barriers to attendance - a short discussion took place. The strategy is to get us to think about what we can do, how we can help and recognise the issues within your organisations.  Please see link to a short video produced by NCC attendance team ‘A focus on school attendance’ that Kelly Waters has narrated.  **Action:** **Please do share within your teams to explore some of the issues faced.**  [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KzElJsAIwJU**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KzElJsAIwJU) |
| **3** | **Continuum of needs draft document**  Abigail shared the revised guidance to understanding continuum of needs PowerPoint.  Revised Threshold Guide – consultation  The Norfolk Safeguarding Children Partnership is responsible for ensuring that Norfolk publishes *a threshold document, which sets out the local criteria for action in a way that is transparent, accessible and easily understood* (Working Together 2018). The last iteration of this guide was in 2018 and there have been significant changes to the way we work together and organise our services since it was last published.  We are now moving away from the language of thresholds with more of an emphasis on understanding children and young people’s continuum of needs. The next iteration of the guide has been developed to reflect this as well as the changing landscape in service provision and partnership approach to safeguarding. We have also incorporated feedback from the frontline on the previous version from a survey sent out in 2022.  Before we finalise this document we are seeking feedback from partners on the revised guidance to ensure that it meets your needs. **Please be advised of the following caveats:**   * this is a work in progress and some elements are still subject to amendment, for example, the introduction of Family Hubs is moving on apace so the intention is to finalise the document alongside the launch of Family Hubs in autumn 2023. It is therefore necessary to understand that some sections act as much as place holders as final text and this consultation acts as a ‘sneak preview’ of what to expect in the near future. * you will also notice that we have tried to condense the guidance so it focuses more on principles of practice and keep the guide shorter and more manageable. That said, we did not want to lose some of the information from the current iteration so we are proposing to pull those elements out into a separate toolbox. This will allow for greater flexibility in amending and updating both the guide and the toolbox in the future.   **With those caveats,** we are pleased to send out the draft guide and a summery PowerPoint for you to feedback on, including timelines for responding. We would be really grateful if you could also complete the feedback form so we can collate the information before finalising the document in July of this year.  [Consultation Feedback link](https://forms.office.com/Pages/DesignPageV2.aspx?subpage=design&token=d94705d94b994a0aad037348e819ed9f&id=fhcZFOBXD0-v8P1htUnRDiHWwGFpGl5BsQafmQ2HjspUN040Mk9aSzBIRzdQREtDNjNEM1VBRlNDQS4u).  This piece of work has been supported by a multi-agency task and finish group who are responsible for seeking feedback. If you have any questions on the guide or the consultation process please can you go through them or contact the NSCP Business Unit: [nscb@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:nscb@norfolk.gov.uk)    **Action- ET & AM to liaise- opportunity to link with the early child and family service**  **Action- All- Please complete the feedback by the end of April**  **Action- All- if you have any parent carer groups that would be willing to consult with us on the toolbox development liaise with AM** |
| **4** | **LSCG members survey for annual report**  MO shared a link to a short survey ‘feedback on the LSCG meetings, its important we get the feedback so see how we can improve and how we can shape future plans and meetings.  https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=fhcZFOBXD0-v8P1htUnRDif6ORTN6QRIkZ1pMCSjyj9UMlIyWUlYMTFJWDJBVEs2Q0ZFQkYxV0VLMyQlQCN0PWcu |
| **5** | **A.O.B**  Philip Beck has asked if anyone can offer any thoughts or suggestions for the next multi agency review in the East focusing on protecting babies, the sessions are a very good learning opportunity and if anyone could recommend a family willing to take part or you would like more information please contact Philip.  Sarah thanked all for attending today’s meeting, please complete the various surveys and feedback forms shared today.  Next meeting –East - 11th May 10-12pm  Breckland- 18th May 2023- 10-12pm |