Meeting	**Warwickshire Safeguarding Children Partnership Meeting**	
Date	03/12/2024	**Initials**
Present	**Jill Fowler – Warwickshire Police (Chair)** Amy Smith – Probation Service Andy Wade – Probation Service Ann Hume – C&YP Legal Services, WCC Becky Sumner – Youth Justice Service, WCC Ben Hutton – Community Safety, WCC Carl Lewis – Children & Families (Education), WCC Cllr Kay Kaur – Portfolio Holder for Education, WCC Cllr Sue Markham – Portfolio for Children & Families, WCC Craig Dicken – Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council Debbie Savage – C&W SAAS Co-Ordinator, CCC Derek Benson – WSCP Independent Scrutineer Geoff Thomas – Community Safety, WCC George Shipman – Children & Families, WCC Isabel Main – Compass (School Nursing) James Essex – Warwickshire Police Jatinder Birdi – Warwick District Faith Forum Jennifer Coxley – Warwickshire Safeguarding Adults Board Johnny Kyriacou – Education Services, WCC Karen Cornick – Compass (School Nursing) Karen Midgley – Children & Families, WCC (minutes) Kate Watson – C&W Integrated Care Board Kelly Hayward – Public Health, WCC Kirsten Lord – Change Grow, Live Lisa Pratley – University Hospital Coventry & Warwickshire Martin Cowan – Stratford District Council Maxine Nicholls - Coventry & Warwickshire Partnership NHS Trust Moira Bishop – South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust Natalie Asser – GS Eliot Hospital NHS Trust Nick Coleman – Community Safety, WCC Ramandeep Sandhu – Warwickshire Safeguarding Children Partnership Richard Long – Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner Stuart Haste – Compass (C&YP Drug and Alcohol Service) Tracy Southam – Warwickshire Community & Voluntary Action Vicky Woodfield – Children & Families, WCC	JF AS AW AH BS BH CL KK SM CD DS DB GT GS IM JE JB JC JK KC KM KW KH KL LP MC MN MB NA NC RS RL SH TS VW
Apologies	Cllr Andy Crump – Portfolio Holder for Community Safety Daniel Atkins - Children & Families, WCC Dave Jones – Children & Families, WCC Elaine Butter – Mountain Health Care (C&YP SARC) Elizabeth Hancock – GS Eliot Hospital NHS Trust Ellie Monkhouse – NHS England Holly Reed – Warwickshire Safeguarding Children Partnership Jackie Channell – C&W Integrated Care Board Jaqueline Barnes – NHS England Jo Gifford – Coventry & Warwickshire Partnership NHS Trust	

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1.	**Welcome, Introductions**		
	JF welcomed everyone to the meeting. JF gave apologies for Nigel Minns and Jackie Channell and explained she would be standing in for them. This is the first meeting, therefore there are no previous minutes to review.		
2.	**WSCP Check in – Terms of Reference.**		
	TORs were discussed. It was agreed that any emergent issues were raised in between scheduled dates the meeting would reconvene earlier. RS is ensuring all work is completed before getting to strategic level.	Check ToR for names or groups that are disbanded or that need updating and add IOPCC.	RS
3.	**Warwickshire Safeguarding Children Partnership Update arrangements**		
	JF explained the WSCP structure, responsibilities, and expectations. The meetings will be held 3 monthly. • Within Working Together, all Safeguarding Children Partnerships requires the establishment of Lead Safeguarding Partners and Delegated Safeguarding Partners. The LSP's role is as follows: • Identify a representative from Health, Police, Children Services and Education • Set the strategic plan, vision, and priorities for the WSCP. • Act as a team to protect Warwickshire children and young people. • Have joint and equal responsibility and have the authority to speak on behalf of their agency.		

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	• Hold their agency to account for the delivery of the arrangements and commit their agency to agreed actions. • Delegate functions to the Delegated Safeguarding Partners who will provide the operational delivery. The DSP's will take it in turn to Chair being responsible for the operational delivery of the strategic vision set out by the LSPs. Nigel Minns will take the first year and JF the second. • Responsible for the operational delivery of the strategic vision set out by the LSPs. • Show leadership in delivering the safeguarding arrangements and sharing learning within the WSCP and their respective organisations. • Provide evidence around the quality/performance of multi-agency practices including support and challenge from the Independent Scrutineer. Derek Benson, the Independent Scrutineer introduced himself and his new role. RS outlined the role of the Business Unit within WCSP along with the Independent Scrutineer in line with WT23. JK explained the strategic approach from an education perspective. • The Education Safeguarding Group takes place termly where they will be expected to co-chair. JF explained the reasoning behind the separation of adult and children boards and the cost implications, most of the cost comes from statutory partners with contributions from the 5 D&Bs.		
4.	**Analysis of themes arising from Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews**		
	JF gave an overview of Warwickshire's Safeguarding Review Group on behalf of the chair, Jackie Channell. The reviews show that neglect is a priority. The meeting shared the history around and key learning of 5 reviews and explained the 7-minute briefings. Published reviews and 7 Minute Briefings can be accessed here: Published Safeguarding Review Reports 7 Minute Briefings RS explained that there will be specific learning moving forward, which will include Trauma Informed Practice. SH thanked RS and is very keen to share learning with his teams. The training		

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	offer will focus on professionals working in fast paced environments and it is hoped that a variety of different methods such as using e learning and videos to be able to reach all staff. This localised training will help to empower staff, using this meeting to support networking and to disseminate learning. With the priority on neglect is expected to have a preventative effect, as 53% of the rapid reviews noted that a child had experienced neglect prior to the incident. Pathfinder's new Multi-Agency Child Protection Team (MACPT) team and Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) partnership will be focussing a consistent approach on this.		
5.	**Presentation of proposed vision, priorities, and business plan**		
	The vision is about: • Working together • Supporting and safeguarding children and families • Listening and learning from the voices of children and families • Ultimately improve outcomes for children and families This encompasses the DSP vision- JF paused to get thoughts from partners on this. All agreed. **Values** - this encompasses values adopted and building on existing values we had before and what we want to achieve. • Keeping children and families at the heart of everything • Build resilience and engagement. • Work together as partners but also with children and families and continuously learn and improve our services. • Outcome focussed- ensure we have a skilled workforce, and we make evidence-based decisions focussed on good outcomes. Clarification was given around extreme cases – this comes under the WSCP review process to ensure it meets criteria. CL explained his team are working proactively before crisis point and JF as WSCP Adolescent Safeguarding Group chair is ultimately responsible for holding agencies to account. **Business plan** - the 3 main priorities are: • **Neglect**- based on learning from reviews.		

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	• **Making the system work**- to ensure the changes in line with families first are keeping children and families safe. • **Ensure children are safe within the community**- from risk of exploitation and are visible to services, in education. **Transition into new Arrangements.** • WSCP will publish new arrangements by end of December 24 • The constitution will be updated. • A refreshed agreement providing the appropriate legal framework ensuring the facilitation of agencies to share information within the partnership.		
6.	**Families First Reforms**		
	George Shipman from the Children & Families service at WCC, provided an update on the Families First for Children (FFC) Pathfinder. The DfE have funded WCC £4 million and are expecting more funding in year 2, with additional funding to local authorities. The Multi Agency Child Protection Team (MACPT) went live yesterday with colleagues from health, education, police and C&F working in 2 locations, north in Nuneaton and south in Leamington. DfE have announced that all local authorities will have a MACPT teams moving forward. Teams are now in locality boroughs to help build relationships with all agencies. From the 2nd of Jan all teams have been remodelled taking out barriers and delays from families having different social workers, alongside simplified assessments, and reduced timescales. GS confirmed that information sharing around children's records is part of the innovative work that the Pathfinder is looking to improve agency access to systems, including agreeing funding a single view of the child. Somerset CCS are leading on this and WCC are getting support and access to new opportunities. Sharing data and streamlining with other agencies has been key for decade, excited about the new way of working and communicating with each other.		

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	FFC gets brought into meetings on a national level using NHS numbers to strengthen legislation around safeguarding sharing information. GS updated the changes to the Spectrum of Support. Early Help now complete the same assessment focused on child support. The added value now includes partner agencies. GS explained that there are major benefits to having multiagency teams using WCC spaces to support the joint way we are working.		
8.	**Any Other Business**		
	No other business was discussed. JF thanked for everyone for attending.		

Date and time of the next meeting:

- Thursday 6th March 2025, 10:00 - 12:00 pm, Old Shire Hall (Main), Shire Hall, Market Square, Warwick, CV34 4RL