



Terms of Reference

Response and Delivery Group

Role and Function of the Response and Delivery Group

The role and function of the Response and Delivery Group is to drive forward the decisions from the Local Safeguarding Children Partnership (LSCP) on actions they have agreed will strengthen safeguarding arrangements in line with priorities.

The Response and Delivery Group will receive decisions on future work from the LSCP as informed by the Assurance and Review Group.

The Response and Delivery Group will develop the action plan put forward to the LSCP by the Assurance and Review Group, take forward the actions associated with these decisions and disseminate the associated learning from the above actions by carrying out:

- Multi agency training
- Learning events
- Changes to, or new policies and procedures and their dissemination
- Communications to all partner agencies
- Task and finish activity to enable delivery of learning

The Response and Delivery Group will therefore drive the process of continuous improvement through an effective cycle of practitioner led evolution of policy, communication and learning. In doing so, the group will ensure that its activities remain focused on both the LSCP priorities and the impact on the effectiveness and efficiency of local safeguarding arrangements.

This will be achieved by:

1. The Response and Delivery Group receiving multi agency decisions, in the form of an action plan from the LSCP on which of the recommendations from the Assurance and Review Group they wish to progress, having already prioritised them against the LSCP's Business Plan.
2. Further developing the LSCP's selected action plans and deciding on how best to progress them, taking into account what is already available locally and nationally.

3. Identifying necessary learning, required changes, development of policy and procedures or other actions which will advance the progress of the action plans.
4. Driving the delivery of identified learning through training, learning events, communications etc. There will be a continuous flow of information between the Response and Delivery Group and the LSCP on development and delivery of actions and outcomes.
5. Prioritising actions on identified learning required following a rapid review of a serious child safeguarding case, or where a local child safeguarding practice review has been carried out and immediate learning is required.
6. Oversight of the LSCP annual report, in partnership with the Assurance and Review Group.

Accountability

The Response and Delivery Group is accountable to the Local Safeguarding Children Partnership.

Each member of the sub group is responsible for both representing and holding their agency to account for its safeguarding work and responsibilities.

Frequency of meeting: Three meetings per year.

Membership:

Chair – West Midlands Police

Deputy Chair – Head of Safeguarding, University Hospitals Birmingham

Solihull MBC Children's Social Care

West Midlands Police

NHS Birmingham and Solihull Clinical Commissioning Group

NHS England West Midlands

Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust

University Hospitals Birmingham

Staffordshire and West Midlands Community Rehabilitation Company

Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust

Solihull Community Housing

CAFCASS

West Midlands Fire Service

National Probation Service Midlands – Coventry, Warwickshire, Solihull

Voluntary Sector Representative

South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust

School/Education/Early Years Representative

Quorum:

Representation from all three safeguarding partners.