



**Havering Safeguarding Children Partnership  
Executive Meeting  
12<sup>th</sup> July 2023  
2:00-3:30pm**

NAME	ROLE	10.08.22	15.09.22	Oct Cance l	16.11.22	11.01.23	15.03.23	03.05.23	12.07. .23
Brian Boxall (BB)	Independent Chair LBH	A	A		A	SA	A	A	A
Prof Jenny Pearce	Independent Scrutineer	A	A		A	A	A	A	A
Det Super Lewis Basford (LB)	Police EA BCU MET	SA	A		A	A	A	A	A
Elisabeth Major (EM) mins	Partnerships and Learning Manager LBH	A	SD		A	A	A	SD	SD
Robert South (RS) Chair	Director of Children Services	SA	SD		A	A	SD	N/A	N/A
Korkor Ceasar (KC)	Associate Director for Safeguarding Children NEL ICB	A	A		A	A	SD	A	A
Trevor Cook (TC)	Associate Director for Education, Learning & Achievement	N/A	A		A	A	A	A	A
Paul Archer (PA)	Designated Nurse NEL ICB						A	DNA	DNA
Kate Dempsey (KD)	Principal Social Worker LBH	A	A		N/A	N/A	A	A	A
Tara Geere (TG)	Director of Children Services	-	-		-	A	A	A	A
Samantha Henry (SH)	Partnerships T&D Officer LBH	-	-		A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Thilini Perera	HSP Coordinator	-	-		-	A	A	A	A

A (attended) DNA (Did Not Attend) SD (Sent Deputy)

## Agenda & Notes combined

1 Introduction and apologies	Brian Boxall
2 Minutes from actions from May 2023 meeting	completed
3 Lee Watson - refugee update	completed
4 PELC status & oversight – PELC (urgent care health centres) special measures.	completed
4 Update on Health Independent Scrutiny	completed
5 Neglect Strategy – next steps	completed
6 HSCP Business Plan April 2023- next steps Priorities- neglect, CSA, feedback from MASH	completed
7 Working Together 2023 Consultation- next steps for Havering	completed
8 Feedback from Schools-escalations JTAI Harrow example	completed
10 Independent Scrutiny action plan	JP To next meeting
AOB Statutory Partners to sign off the serious incident reviews Safeguarding Week 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2023 Conf 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	completed

### **Update regrading refugees:**

LW (Lee Watson - Refugee and Crisis Response Team Manager) has shared update regarding outreach and work streams with refugees.

Lee explained that there are Ukrainian children in schools at the moment and they are happy to be in schools. Their mental health needs were highlighted and CAMHS have picked this up quickly and working with those individuals already. The schools will need more support as time goes on.

Refugee and Crisis Response Team work closely with Barbara Nicholls (BN), TG and TC to offer support to these children/young people and families.

TC stated that they are having some additional language support for these children in schools to resolve few language barrier issues.

### **PELC status & oversight update:**

KC shared a presentation regarding the status and oversight of PLEC following concerns.

BB commented regarding evidence we have got that they are able to identify safeguarding issues and referring into the system.

KC stated she does have evidence in terms of Redbridge, but not any in terms of Havering, as the initial concerns were triggered from Redbridge and it has been in

the area of focus. KC explained a comprehensive audit was conducted few months ago by the PELC Safeguarding Lead, which she has looked at in terms of safeguarding referrals.

Action: KC to follow up with other sites regarding safeguarding referral history.

#### **Health update from JP:**

JP shared that there are concerns around capacity of school nurses regarding sexual health work on schools as 6 school nurses cover about 86 schools to identify sexual health problems of children and young people.

TG stated this is a wider national issue in regards to the use of school nursing and the service is commissioned by public health service.

KD commented that school nurses attending less in Child Protection Conferences unless it was necessary. Some special schools/academies have their own nurses and there are concerns that they were sort of sitting outside the health community.

#### **Neglect Strategy and Business Plan:**

BB stated that Neglect Strategy has been circulated and all partners are happy with the Neglect Strategy to go forward.

BB explained that the business plan from last year has been circulated and priorities for this year is to continue and focus on neglect and child sexual abuse needs.

TG commented that Ofsted are looking at serious sexual youth violence and improvement work for child sexual abuse and if we look at child sexual exploitation this covers more ground.

BB suggested to add child exploitation as a separate heading. Child sexual abuse as its own subject, child exploitation as a second subject of which sexual abuse might come into it.

Action: BB to discuss this with EM.

#### **New working together 2023 consultation:**

BB spoke about new working together 2023 consultation and if partners would like to complete one combined Havering consultation feedback response or to complete as feedback from individual agencies.

TG commented that she is happy to complete one together via the partnership and also to complete one as local authority.

KC stated that she is happy to feedback into the partnership response.

LB stated the Met Police will submit one response.

**Feedback from Schools-escalations:**

BB stated that escalations not coming through to HSCP directly but receiving lots of feedback from training. The schools stating that they are not receiving feedback when make a referral to MASH.

TG commented that she has met with the school Head Teachers and requested concrete evidence. There is further work to do in schools regarding thresholds.

Action: BB to talk to EM to take this to Q&E group to complete an audit.

**Young Advisors:**

TP gave update about Young Advisors group. The survey regarding violence against young women was now completed. Young Advisors are in the process of completing the report. TP will invite the Young Advisors to the Conference in November.

BB stated that the joint SAB & SCP Board meeting will be on 13<sup>th</sup> September in the morning.

**Updates:**

CK stated ICB going through a consultation and this period has been extended until September.

LB explained it will be probably a journey period with some internal policies and changes in their service.

**AOB:**

BB reminded statutory partners to sign off the serious incident reviews.

<b>Actions</b>		
1	To follow up with other sites regarding safeguarding referral history (PELC)	KC
2	Independent Scrutiny action plan	JP To next meeting
3	To add child exploitation as a separate heading - child sexual abuse as its own subject and child exploitation as a second subject	BB and EM
4	To take feedback from schools-escalations to Q&E group to complete an audit.	BB and EM

