

Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) Primary Forum Minutes

Wednesday 8th January 2020, 1000 to 1200
 At Burnham Park Hall, Windsor Lane, SL1 7HR

Attended:	Absent:
Jatinder Matharu- Education Safeguarding Officer and Chair	Baylis Court Nursery (apologies)
Cippenham Nursery School – Nisha Gill	Chalvey Nursery School
Lea Nursery School – Nikki Elsmore-Cary	Claycots School
Slough Centre Nursery School – Zoe Keating	Holy Family Catholic School
Colnbrook Church of England School – Louise Clark	Iqra Primary School
Khalsa Primary School – Del Matharu	Littledown Primary School
Lynch Hill School Primary Academy – Chloe O'Connor	Marish Primary School
Our lady of Peace Primary & Nursery School – Helen Hadaway	St Ethelbert's Primary School
Penn Wood Primary School – Sonia Davies	The Grove Academy (apologies)
Pippins School – Tracy Ball	Wexham Court Primary School
Priory School – Carol Barber	Willow Primary School
Ryvers School - Saimeh Iftekhhar	
St Anthonys Catholic Primary School – Jess Costello	Guest attendees:
St Mary's CofE Primary School – Melissa Whatley & Rachel Cross	Nova Nunes, Reviewing Manager, Slough Children's Services Trust
Lea Nursery – Nikki Cary	Shepherd Kombo, Consultant Social Worker (Front Door), Slough Children's Services Trust
Western House Academy – Sarah Pearce	Susan Dyer, Schools Health & Wellbeing Officer, Slough Borough Council
St Bernard's Prep School – Katrina Kimberley	Janine Edwards, Slough Safeguarding Partnership Board
	Michael Jarrett, Service Lead, Slough Borough Council

Item	Subject	Owner
1.	<p>Welcome and introductions</p> <p>Minutes of last meeting Accuracy of the minutes was recorded. Helen name was amended from OLOP as was recorded incorrectly in the minutes.</p> <p>Actions from last meeting: Some schools are having difficulties with Egress accounts. Jatinder is following up with Egress to get the problems resolved. Please let her know if there are any further issues.</p>	<p>JM</p> <p>JM</p>

	<p>Some schools raised that the Children’s Trust or Independent Chairs cannot open Egress emails and still request emails are sent to gcsx accounts. Action: Jatinder to follow this up with the Trust.</p> <p>Many schools have now introduced a central safeguarding@ email accounts. This is strongly advised.</p> <p>Some schools reported receiving highly confidential information about children at other schools with similar names. Jatinder to follow this up with the Trust.</p> <p>Report from a school who had followed the Slough Protocol regarding a privately fostered child in their school. The school had a very unsatisfactory response from the person they spoke to at the Trust and had the impression that they were not aware of what private fostering is and the Slough protocol. Action: Jatinder to follow this up with the Trust.</p>	<p>JM</p> <p>JM</p>
<p>2.</p>	<p><u>Risk Indicator Tool – Janine Edwards, Slough Safeguarding Partnership</u></p> <p>Janine gave a presentation outlining the tool and examples of how it might be used. (Presentation attached and also available on The Link.)</p> <p>Discussion following presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How this might be utilised in school where there are concerns about a parent/carer that could impact on the welfare of the child e.g. domestic abuse, drug & alcohol use, mental health difficulties. • Difficulties for schools if they then become the lead professional when the direct concern is with an adult (the parent/carer) not a child. • Reassurances that schools might initiate the multi-agency support but will not remain the lead professional. • Feedback from a school that they have found it very difficult to contact adult social care with concerns about a parent and finally referred through safeguarding but have not heard anything since. <p><u>Action: Jatinder and Michael Jarrett agreed to feed this back to Jane Hitching in ASC.</u></p>	<p>JM</p> <p>MJ</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p><u>Mental Health Schools Teams (MHST) and Early Intervention Teams (EIT) – Michael Jarrett, Service Lead, Slough BC</u></p> <p>Michael gave an update presentation about the Slough Mental Health Schools Teams and the Early Intervention Teams. (Presentation attached and also available on The Link.)</p> <p>The Mental Health Practitioners, Support Workers etc have been recruited and are currently in training at Reading University.</p> <p>The services will be available from September 2020.</p> <p>The Front Door triage system will include mental health expertise to ensure</p>	

	<p>onward referral is appropriate and expedited if mental health support is required.</p> <p>Discussion following presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Referrals through the Front Door as is currently the case. • A request to clarify that the new Mental Health Support Teams etc will be set up to accept Egress encrypted emails. <p>The Mental Health Team Leader will attend the next DSL Network to give a further update.</p>	MJ
4.	<p><u>Slough Children’s Services Trust Front Door – Shepherd Kombo, Consultant Social Worker (Front Door), SCST</u></p> <p>Presentation clarified that any apparent lack of response is due to an overwhelming workload in Oct and Nov and the additional Sec 60 Stop and Searches following the knife incidents.</p> <p>Advice to schools that they should ensure they have contact details for a social worker’s manager as well as for the social worker themselves. This is useful in urgent or emergency situations if the social worker cannot be contacted. If the manager cannot be contacted, the Hub Coordinator should be contacted.</p> <p>Acknowledged that sometimes emergency situations result in very short timescales and deadlines for professionals involved.</p> <p><u>Action: JM to send out updated structure and contact details from SCST and EH.</u></p> <p>There is a move to have more conference calls instead of face-to-face meetings.</p> <p>Discussion following presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The issue of schools receiving highly confidential information about children from different schools with similar names was raised and Shepherd agreed to take this issue back to address it as well as Jatinder raising it. <p><u>Action: JM to raise concerns regarding incorrect child details being sent to schools.</u></p>	SK
5.	<p><u>Case Conference Update – Nova Nunes, Reviewing Manager, SCST</u></p> <p>A presentation from Nova to outline and clarify the new arrangements for Child Protection Case Conferences (CPCC). (Presentation attached and also available on The Link.)</p> <p>More focus on direct work with families and ensuring that the families can sustain the work once the support from services is finished.</p> <p>Work to be carried out with the family following the Strategy Meeting before a CPCC.</p>	

	<p>The style for conducting the CPCC will be more in the style of a Family Network meeting. Social Workers will be responsible for considering the concerns raised and composing and owning a Danger Statement to clarify and summarise the concerns. Scaling to replace the professional statements at CPCC meetings.</p> <p>Interventions will have a time attached. Discussion following presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professionals will be required to give a brief justification for their scaling at CPCC but this need only be brief and the level of detail previously required will not be necessary. • New style report template now available. • Hard copies of reports available at conferences should not be taken away. • Egress email problems raised, Nova reported that social workers are sometimes unable to open them and get no response after following the instructions to authorise. <p><u>Action: Jatinder will collate feedback/requests and forward to Sandra Davies at SCST:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who's responsibility is it to provide interpreters for meetings? Schools report that they have had situations where they are expected by social workers or independent chairs to provide interpreters at short notice or it has been assumed that it is the school's responsibility to do so. • Schools would like acknowledgement that their referrals, reports and other information has been received. • Clarification about what paperwork is required at meetings and 'rules' about not taking reports away etc. 	<p>All JM</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p><u>School Health & Wellbeing Project Update – Susan Dyer, School Health & Wellbeing Project Officer, Slough BC</u></p> <p>Presentation not given due to running out of time. <u>Action: Slides to be circulated with meeting notes.</u></p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p><u>Prevent resources</u></p> <p>New programme of study, teacher guide, lesson plans and resources produced by the PSHE Association. The lessons link very well with the relationships content of the new statutory RHE curriculum. Training in the use of these resources will be available during the spring term. Dates to be arranged. Details will be sent to DSLs and PSHE Leads.</p> <p>The resources can be accessed via the links in the School Health & Wellbeing Project update presentation. For further information please contact Susan Dyer: 07753 316916, susan.dyer@slough.gov.uk</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p><u>Section 175 Audit – Jatinder Matharu, Education Safeguarding Lead, Slough BC</u></p> <p>The audit has closed and is been analysed. The full report will be available in Feb</p>	

	2020 after ratification at the Safeguarding Education Sub Group on 20.01.2020.	
9.	<u>Serious Youth Violence Update – Beth Wilks</u>	
	To be covered at the next DSL Seminar.	
10.	<u>Communication Platforms – Awareness Days</u> Young Carers Awareness Day - Thursday 30 th January 2020 Children’s Mental Health Week – 3 rd to 9 th February 2020 * Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 11 th February 2020 *A link to resources for Children’s Mental Health Week was sent to PSHE Leads in December and will be sent out again in the Health & Wellbeing Project weekly update bulletin w/c 13.1.20.	All SD
11.	<u>Upcoming Training for Schools</u> Experienced DSL, 23 rd January 2020 DSL: New to Role, 7 th February 2020 Safer Recruitment, 5 th February 2020 DSL Seminar, March 2020 (Contextual Safeguarding)	All
12.	<u>Local updates</u>	
13.	<u>Agenda items for next DSL Network</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contextual Safeguarding and Serious Youth Violence (DSL Seminar) • Thames Valley Police Safeguarding Team 	
14.	<u>AOB</u>	
15.	<u>Date of next Primary DSL Forum</u> Wednesday 29th April 2020, 1000 - 1200: Burnham Park Hall, Windsor Lane, SL1 7HR.	All