



WARRINGTON SAFEGUARDING PARTNERSHIP – PLAN ON A PAGE 2020 - 2022

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What are we planning to do to achieve this?

- Children and young people influence WSP functions through the creation of a Young Peoples board.
- Opportunity is given for children to co-design their page of the WSP website.
- Partner agencies share service user feedback to shape the strategic direction of the WSP.
- Develop links with community forums to consult on safeguarding issues, use feedback to assist WSP to respond to the safeguarding priorities.
- Develop links with community forums to promote the work of WSP.
- Feedback from children and families to be part of the quality assurance framework including contributing to the learning from case reviews and audits.

- Promote and improve understanding of professional challenge and escalation.
- Development of a Practitioners Forum that allows multi agency discussion and challenge which shapes strategic actions.
- Raise awareness of Safeguarding Children and the role of the partnership to children and adults workforce.
- Improve multi agency working across children's and adults services, through promotion of a “Think Family”, “Think Safeguarding” all age safeguarding approach.
- Promote the importance of timely information sharing. Data Protection Legislation and fears it must not be a barrier to sharing information

- Website development to include resources and guidance for practitioners including promotion of policy and procedures.
- Develop and manage a training programme that meets required standards and locally identified needs.
- Through the Quality Assurance Framework scrutinise and challenge performance; identify, disseminate and embed lessons and evaluate the impact on outcomes.
- Safeguarding partners should take account of the findings from their own local reviews and from all national reviews, with a view to considering how identified improvements should be implemented locally.
- A Training Quality Assurance process to be developed to address the relevance, currency and accuracy of course material and the quality of training.
- Write and implement a multi-agency agreed Training Strategy.

- Review and evaluate the success of the current Neglect Strategy. Continue with the WSP offer of Neglect / GCP2 training for all staff.
- Contribute to the review and evaluation of the Domestic Abuse Strategy and develop the future multi agency response for Domestic Abuse.
- Develop a clear understanding of the range and extent of child exploitation in Warrington.
- Embed clear lines of accountability for reporting with regards to child exploitation.



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What will the outcome be?

- Families and children recognise the work of the WSP and how they have contributed to it.
- The views of community are heard and considered when developing safeguarding practice.
- A wider engagement with children and young people will lead to a better understanding of missed opportunities, good practice and awareness of their needs, thus leading to improved practice across the agencies.
- Effective resources and improved knowledge for children about where they can source help and guidance.

- High quality partnership working is evidenced through audits and learning reviews.
- Evidence of professional challenge and escalation embedded within practice.
- The views of front-line practitioners informs front line strategic delivery.
- Improved communication and information-sharing between professionals, including a common understanding of key terms, definitions and thresholds for action.
- Professionals and volunteers working with children and young people recognise the work of the WSP and how they have contributed to it.
- Universal and specialist services identify children and adults in need and in need of protection through increased understanding of the impact of all family members on each other.

- Increase in practitioner confidence and reduced incidences of cases where practice is judged inadequate or requiring improvement.
- Feedback from practitioners is that training is improving skills, knowledge and confidence and is impacting upon changes to their practice, improving outcomes for children.
- There is a shared understanding of the tasks, procedures, principles, roles and responsibilities outlined in national guidance and local arrangements for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.
- Practitioners respond effectively to children safeguarding needs.
- Partnership challenge and scrutiny function improves multi agency practice.
- Partners are working together effectively and achieving the best outcomes for children and young people in Warrington.

- Warrington will have a clear strategically driven, multi-agency response to children experiencing neglect, with well embedded, effective multi-agency strategy and assessment framework leading to a reduction in children and young people experiencing long standing neglect by families getting help earlier.
- Children identified at risk of child exploitation are identified at earliest point.
- Help is offered at the earliest opportunity, minimising long term impact of living with DA.
- Warrington's multi-agency workforce recognise the early and emerging signs of future risks for young people and respond with preventative interventions.