



East Ayrshire Child Protection Committee

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KEY THEMES FROM EAST AYRSHIRE CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2008-09 AND BUSINESS PLAN 2008-11

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Continue to:

- Increase the reporting of concerns about children and young people by the public and professionals
- Increase children and young people's awareness on how to protect themselves
- Ensure the public are aware of the CPC and the child protection activities of the CPC

POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND PROTOCOLS

Ensure:

- There is a robust process across all services for updating and evaluating child protection policies and procedures
- A review and update of East Ayrshire Child Protection Procedures on receipt of the updated West of Scotland Child Protection Procedures
- Further development, consultation and involvement of children and young people in policy development
- Ongoing development, consultation and involvement of children and young people in policy development

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

Maintain:

- An overview of management information from all member agencies around work to protect children and young people, including analysis of trends or gaps in service provision
- An overview of trends and issues affecting vulnerability and need for protection in children and young people to continue to inform service planning

QUALITY ASSURANCE

Ensure:

- Ongoing improvement and engagement of all agencies to address the areas identified in HMIE Inspection Report
- Implementation of actions following Significant Case Reviews undertaken by the CPC
- Implementation of a robust and systematic process of multi agency self evaluation
- Analysis and development of action plans in relation to National Enquiry and HMIE Inspection reports
- Continued improvement of child protection service provision across all multi agencies
- Further development of the self evaluation approach which will be embedded in a multi agency basis as part of a framework for continuous improvement

PROMOTION OF GOOD PRACTICE

Continue to:

- Promote multi agency practitioner consultation in the work of the CPC
- Raise the profile of all the work of the CPC to all agencies in East Ayrshire
- Involve and consult with all members of the CPC to ensure ongoing awareness of pertinent child protection issues

TRAINING AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Ensure:

- Implementation of a comprehensive, needs led multi agency child protection training calendar
- An ongoing evaluation of all child protection training provision
- All multi agency practitioners with a role in child protection receive appropriate support and / or Case Supervision
- Provision of opportunities to improve common understanding of all practitioners on assessing needs and risks
- Improve the overall quality, content and evaluation of Case Files in all agencies
- Integrated Chronologies are compiled for all children on the Child Protection Register

COMMUNICATION AND CO-OPERATION

Improve:

- Multi agency communication and decision making in response to concerns about children and young people

PLANNING AND CONNECTIONS

Ensure:

- Children's Service Plans are informed by the priorities of the CPC
- An increase in multi agency staff awareness of the links between the CPC Business Planning and Children's Service Planning processes

LISTENING TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Ensure:

- Further development of means to engage with children and young people in seeking their views and assessing the impact of these views on service provision