

Hackney Safeguarding Children Partnership Board Minutes (Summary)

Date of Meeting	29 November 2022, 10:00-12:00
Venue	Google Meets
Chair	Jim Gamble QPM (JG) - Independent Safeguarding Children Commissioner (ISCC)
Minutes	Rushena Miah (RSM) - Partnership Coordinator

Agency	Membership	Attendance
CHSCP	Jim Gamble (JG), Independent Child Safeguarding Commissioner	present
CHSCP	Rory McCallum (RMc), Senior Professional Adviser	present
Hackney CFS	Diane Benjamin (DB), Director Children's Social Care	present
	Lisa Aldridge (LA), Head of Safeguarding & Quality Assurance	apologies
Hackney Education	Paul Senior (PS), Director of Education	apologies
	Nick Wilson (NW), Head of School Placements	apologies
Housing	Steve Waddington (SW), Strategic Director Housing	present
Cafcass	Melinda Cassel (MC), Service Manager	present
Fire Brigade	James O'Neil (DM), Commander London Fire Brigade	apologies
Health	Andrew Horobin (AH), Deputy Borough Director	present
	Catherine Pelley (CP), Chief Nurse/Director of Governance	apologies
	Dr Emma Tukmachi (ET), Named GP Safeguarding Children	apologies
	Dr Nick Lessof (NL), Designated Doctor	apologies
	Korkor Cesar (KC), Assistant Director Safeguarding	apologies
	Marcia Smikle (MS), Head of Safeguarding Children	present
	Mary Lee (ML), Designated Nurse (0.5)	present
	Sam Martin (SM), Designated Nurse (0.5)	apologies
	Nikhil Katiyar (NK), GP & Governing Body Lead for Safeguarding	apologies
	Victoria Winfield-Brown, (VWB) Associate Director for Safeguarding Children	apologies
	Vivienne Hobbs (VH) , Named Doctor (Community)	present
	Ade Dosunmu (AD), General Manager CAMHS	apologies
Lead Members	Councillor Susan Farjana Thomas (SFT), Dept. Mayor - Housing	apologies

	Councillor Anntoinette Bramble (AB), Cabinet Member Children & Education	apologies
Police	Azad Odabashian (AO), A/Detective Superintendent	apologies
Probation	Stephanie Salmon (SS), Head of Service	apologies
Public Health	Dr Sandra Husbands (SH), Director of Public Health	apologies
	Carolyn Sharpe (CS), Consultant in Public Health	present
Voluntary Sector	Olivia Pethick (OP), Director Young People & Families	apologies

Also in attendance:

Agency	Role	Attending for
Hackney Council	Jenny Zienau (JZ), Strategic Lead (Change and Transformation)	-
Homerton	Sir John Gieve (JG), Chair Homerton Hospital	-
Police	Jim S. Mitchell (JM), Detective Inspector, Public Protection – Partnership Hub	AO

This summary captures the main discussion points and decisions made at the 29 November 2022 Hackney Board meeting.

The Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting and reviewed the Risk Register and Business Plan. It was noted that the Executive had not yet met to come to a decision on consistent green risks.

With regards to the MASH education officer post, an officer will be in post by December 2022.

Twenty colleagues had been trained to deliver the GCP2 training.

The following discussions were noted under partner updates:

- The Poverty Reduction Framework was adopted by council in March 2022 and is available on the council website.
- Though challenging, Hackney continued its commitment to the Social Worker Pledge.
- There was a discussion on voluntary sector infrastructure and greater emphasis on relationship building with the sector. It was noted that the policy team was well connected to the voluntary sector and were vital in engaging the community during the Child Q review.

The Board noted new and ongoing case reviews and their action plans.

Partners were provided with a draft of the Strategic Threat Assessment and were asked to contribute to the document.

The Board was presented with an analytics report on the CHSCP website. It was noted that the website had received significant national and international traffic after the publication of the Child Q Report.

A number of items were discussed under any other business.

- It was noted that the police and LADO had come to a local agreement on information sharing where a police officer is the subject of a disclosure.
- Following an internal audit it was recommended that Board minutes be published for greater transparency. The decision on the form and format of the published minutes was deferred to the Executive.

- Hackney was congratulated for receiving a Workforce Development Award for its anti-racist practice work.
- The Board was provided with a verbal update on the council's response to damp and mould. Newly introduced mitigation measures included a five day turnaround for repairs, a 24 hour turnaround for leaks, a dedicated emergency telephone line and communicating with landlords on their legal responsibilities.

It was agreed that the next partner update theme would be the impact of the cost of living crisis on workforce, workforce stability, health and wellbeing.

The ISCC thanked colleagues for attending the meeting and wished everyone a restful break during the festive period.