Hackney Safeguarding Children Partnership Board Minutes Summary

Date of Meeting	Thursday 24 September 2024, 10:00-12:10
Venue	MS Teams
Chair	Jim Gamble (JG), Independent Child Safeguarding Commissioner
Minutes	Rushena Miah (RMi) - CHSCP Coordinator

Agency	Membership	Attendance
CHSCP	**Jim Gamble (JG), Independent Child Safeguarding Commissioner**	**present**
	Rory McCallum (RMc), Senior Professional Advisor to the CHSCP	apologies
Cafcass	**Jessie Rowland (JR), Service Manager**	**present**
Probation Service	Stephanie Salmon (SS), Head of Service Hackney & City PDU	apologies
NHS NEL	**Michael Ogundele (MO), Designated Doctor**	**present**
	Nikhil Katiyar (NK), GP & Governing Body Lead for Safeguarding	absent
	Dr Emma Tukmachi (ET), Named GP Safeguarding Children	absent
	Mary Lee (ML), Designated Nurse (0.5)	n/a
	Sam Martin (SM), Designated Nurse (0.5)	**present**
	Marcia Smikle (MS), Head of Safeguarding Children - Homerton	**present**
	Vivien Hobbs (VH), Named Doctor	apologies
	Breeda McManus (BM), Chief Nurse - Director of Governance	n/a
	Korkor Ceasar (KC), Associate Director for Safeguarding Children	apologies
ELFT	Dinh Padicala (DP), Director of Safeguarding	apologies
	Ade Dosunmu (AD), Manager of CAMHS	**present**
	Andrew Horobin (AH), Deputy Borough Director - City and Hackney| East London NHS Foundation Trust	apologies
Police	**Vijay Gorania (VG), Detective Chief Inspector Central East BCU**	**present**
Hackney CFS	**Lisa Aldridge (LA), Head of Service, Safeguarding & Learning**	**present**
	Diane Benjamin (DB), Director of Children's Social Care	n/a
	Jenny Zienu (JZ), Strategy policy lead - poverty workstream	apologies
	Pauline Adams (PA), Head of Service, Young Hackney	apologies
	Maurice Mason (MM), Head of Service, Safer Communities	absent
Public Health	**Carolyn Sharpe (CS), Consultant Public Health**	**present**
Housing	Steve Waddington (SW), Strategic Director, Housing Services	absent
Hackney Education	**Donna Thomas (DT) - Head of Early Years, Early Help & Wellbeing**	**present**
HCVS	Vacant	n/a
London Fire Brigade	James O'Neil (JO), Borough Commander for Hackney	apologies
Hackney Councillors	**Cllr Antoinette Bramble (AB), Cabinet Member for Children**	**present**
	Cllr Susan Farjana Thomas (SFT), Cabinet Member for Community Safety	**present**

Also in attendance:

Agency	Name	Role
Homerton	**Marta Thlon (MT) Senior Nurse – School Nursing and Looked after Children**	**Presenter**
Probation	**Sharon Smith (SSm), Senior Probation Officer**	**sub for SS**
LFB	**Colin Digby (CD) Dept. Commander**	**sub for JO**

Key Points

- **Strong Partnership:** The Hackney Safeguarding Children Partnership Board (HSCPB) was recognised as a strong and engaged partnership during a recent Corporate Peer Review.
- **Risk Management:** The MPS Connect system was added to the risk register due to ongoing challenges with its implementation and data accuracy.
- **Data Sharing:** Concerns were raised about stalled progress on a data-sharing agreement between Homerton and Hackney. A mediated roundtable meeting was suggested to resolve the barriers.
- **Learning and Improvement:** Several cases were discussed that did not meet the threshold for Local Safeguarding Children Partnership Reviews (LSCPRs) but raised learning points.
- **School-Based Health Services:** A new school-based health service was presented, designed to provide flexible and targeted healthcare support. The service was welcomed by the Partnership Board.
- **Immunisation Strategy:** A new Immunisation Strategy was presented, outlining Public Health's approach to improving vaccination coverage and addressing inequalities. The Board welcomed the strategy.
- **Targeted Prevention:** An update was provided on the pilot to reduce Section 47 investigations, particularly related to physical chastisement in the Afro-Caribbean community. Data showed a reduction in Section 47s since the start of the Pilot.
- **Inspection Updates:**
    - The recent HMIC inspection of the Metropolitan Police revealed areas of concern, including crime prevention, responding to the public, protecting vulnerable people, leadership, and workplace culture.
    - The recent Ofsted inspection of Hackney's Children's Services found the service to be "good", highlighting improvements in help and protection, anti-racist work, and strategic partnerships.
- **Any Other Business:** There was no other business.