



WSCP PLAN ON A PAGE

What Does WSCP Do?

The purpose of Wakefield Safeguarding Children Partnership (WSCP) is to support organisations to work together in a system where:

- Children are safeguarded and their welfare is promoted
- Organisations work together, share and have joint ownership to improve outcomes for children
- Organisations challenge appropriately and hold one another to account
- There is early identification and analysis of emerging safeguarding risks
- Learning is promoted in a way that organisations can become more reflective and improve services for children and families.

Who Are We?

The partnership is a statutory body, led by an Executive (led by Wakefield Metropolitan District Council, NHS West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board, and West Yorkshire Police) and supported by an Independent Scrutineer.

Our Responsibilities

- Undertake safeguarding reviews following the death or serious injury to a child where abuse or neglect is suspected
- Review all the child deaths in the Wakefield area to identify learning and themes
- Draw on any subsequent learning regionally and nationally by devising and delivering a range of learning for practitioners
- Review safeguarding practice and systems through data analysis and multi-agency quality assurance
- Oversee the districts multi agency arrangements in respect of prevention, intervention, disruption and stopping Child Exploitation
- We ensure all education settings receive up to date and accurate information and training to ensure they can effectively safeguard children in their settings

How will we know we are successful?

- Children's welfare and best interests is prioritised and acted upon by services who work or volunteer with them
- Single and multi-agency assurance activity tells us we are progressing across our 13 priority areas
- Wakefield has a culture where 'disruption of child exploitation is everybody's business'
- Voice of the child is evident within our assurance activity
- Language in relation to safeguarding is inclusive and promotes participation from all who work or volunteer with children and families
- Services recognise the role of the partnership and their own service contribution in driving forward the partnership's agenda
- Safeguarding campaigns across a range of areas is engaging and impactful

Our Priorities 2022 - 2025

- 1 Ensure enhanced recognition and response to neglect across the partnership is in place.
- 2 Babies and infants are protected from sudden death due to unsafe sleep
- 3 Children are protected from non-accidental injury
- 4 Children who are at risk from self-harm including thoughts of suicide can be identified and offered timely support
- 5 WSCP has robust scrupulous arrangements in place
- 6 Services who work with children have a proactive approach in identifying, preventing and disrupting child exploitation
- 7 Children experiencing and/or displaying harmful sexual behaviour are supported by services who have the knowledge and expertise to provide support
- 8 Children have a lead role in shaping and contributing to a safeguarding agenda
- 9 Children who experience bullying feel able to report it and are supported by services
- 10 Safeguarding thresholds are well understood across the partnership workforce
- 11 High quality safeguarding learning and development offer is in place for frontline workforce across the partnership
- 12 Safeguarding information, resources and guidance is accessible for all services who work with children and families
- 13 Develop shared understanding and culture of trauma awareness across the partnership

