

CHILD PAUL – MULTI AGENCY LEARNING REVIEW KSCP RESPONSE

Knowsley Safeguarding Children Board (KSCP) accepts the findings of the review and is committed to learn the lessons that are identified in the report.

The review was conducted by an experienced and respected independent author. He has highlighted a number of learning points and made recommendations to address these areas, which will be implemented by the partnership.

These include:

- a strategic review of the commissioning arrangements for accommodating
 'Looked after children' are appropriate and meet the needs of children
- Rigorous scrutiny of the accommodation arrangements for 'looked after children'.
- An audit of the accommodation for children provided under section 20 of the Children Act 1989 to ensure that vulnerable children are afforded appropriate safeguarding measures that protect them.
- A review of training for agencies who are dealing with violent young people to establish if there are sufficient specialists available to support high-risk individuals.

- An audit of commissioned mental health services available in Knowsley to seek reassurance that they are sufficient to support young people with a wide range of mental health issues
- A learning event to raise awareness on the development of a trauma informed approach in child protection decisions.

We have a robust governance structure that will provide appropriate rigour and hold people to account.

The lessons learned in this review will be cascaded to professionals to raise their awareness and improve outcomes for children in Knowsley.

We are determined to work together to ensure that any changes made, safeguard and protect children in Knowsley.