



East Lothian and Midlothian Public Protection Committee

Friday 29th March 2019 at 2pm in the Adam Room, John Muir House, Haddington

Attendees:	Anne Neilson Lorraine Cowan Veronica Campanile Julie Watson Denice Lilley Matt Paden Sean Byrne Neil Whettam Joan Tranent Sharon Robertson Davie Ward Fiona Duncan Judith Tait Alison White Andrew Main	Director of Public Protection, NHS Lothian (chair) Interim Chief Nurse, ELHSCP VAWG Co-ordinator, EMPPO Chief Executive Officer, Women's Aid East & Midlothian Adult Support & Protection Lead Officer, EMPPO DCI, Public Protection Unit, Police Scotland Public Protection Team Manager, EMPPO Learning and Development Co-ordinator, EMPPO Head of Children's Services, Midlothian Council Link Inspector (East Lothian), Care Inspectorate Station Manager, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Group Service Manager (Statutory Services) / CSWO, ELHSCP Head of Children & Adult Services, ELHSCP Head of Service – Adult & Social Care / CSWO, MHSCP Senior Business Support Administrator, EMPPO (minute)
Apologies:	David Girrity Sharon Saunders Charlotte Kirk Caroline Myles Carolyn Wyllie Andrew Sheridan Fiona Robertson Val Holtom Lesley Siewert	Prevention and Protection Manager, SFRS Head of Communities and Partnerships, ELC Lead Paediatrician (East Lothian & Midlothian), NHS Lothian Chief Nurse, MHSCP Service Manager (Assessment & Support Planning), Adult Services, ELHSCP Schools Group Manager (ASN), Education, Midlothian Council Head of Education, East Lothian Council Link Inspector (Midlothian), Care Inspectorate Locality Reporter Manager (Mid), SCRA

1. Introductions and apologies

Anne Neilson opened the meeting by thanking members for attending and inviting introductions. Apologies were noted as per the above list.

Action	Owner	Due	Update	Status
Further info re the Prevent peer review to be distributed to members.	Sean Byrne	-	Midlothian peer review scheduled to take place on 7/05/19. Anne Neilson to link in to review as NHS Lothian SPOC.	COMPLETE
Learning from the Family Supervised Contact Briefing to be taken	Neil Whettam	29 th March 2019	-	COMPLETE

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forward by the Learning and Development sub-group.				
Appendix to be attached to the Midlothian ICR MCP011 (ML)	Joan Tranent	ASAP	Please refer to agenda item 8 for further info.	COMPLETE
Sean Byrne to arrange Case Conference Task and Finish Group.	Sean Byrne	18 th December 2018	Update (18/12/18) – Arrangements have been put in place to ensure firmer arrangements regarding ASP processes, Inter-agency procedures updated, IRDs will consistently be held before ASPCC. Admin processes have been refined. Update (29/03/19) – Sean Byrne to revisit to ensure processes embedded.	IN PROGRESS
MARAC contact for Midlothian to be identified.	Andrew Sheridan	29 th March 2019	This action is still outstanding. Joan Tranent to follow up with Andrew Sheridan.	IN PROGRESS
Anne Neilson to update Andrew Main re Public Protection ISP.	Anne Neilson	12 th April 2019	-	IN PROGRESS
Sean Byrne to convene Child Sexual Exploitation Short Life Working Group.	Sean Byrne	3 rd May 2019	Update report to be submitted to EMPPC on 25/06/19.	IN PROGRESS
Denice Lilley to link with Vivien McVie on the work of the Pan-Lothian Chronology Working Group.	Denice Lilley	19 th April 2019	-	IN PROGRESS
Veronica Campanile to discuss <i>Right to paid leave</i> with Lesley Crozier in first instance.	Veronica Campanile	12 th April 2019	-	IN PROGRESS
<i>EMPPC – Looked After and Accommodated Children Who Go Missing</i> protocol to be finalised and distributed.	Sean Byrne	19 th April 2019	-	IN PROGRESS
Judith Tait to share BT missing person paper with relevant members.	Judith Tait	12 th April 2019	-	IN PROGRESS

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EMPPC – Large Scale Investigation Protocol to discussed further Pan-Lothian.	Denice Lilley	31 st May 2019	Meeting being held Pan-Lothian.	IN PROGRESS
Denice Lilley to distribute Care Inspectorate Threshold / Improvement Notice report to members for comment.	Denice Lilley / ALL	12 th April 2019	-	IN PROGRESS

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2. Care Inspectorate – new inspection methodology for Children and Young People in Need of Care and Protection

Sharon Robertson provided attendees with an update in relation to the new inspection methodology for children and young people in need of care and protection. A copy of the slides and handout are were distributed for member's information.

Sharon noted that the review of findings from the inspection programme (2012-2017) had now been published and are available on the Care Inspectorate website:

<http://www.careinspectorate.com/images/documents/4781/Review%20of%20findings%20joint%20in%20inspection%20services%20for%20children%20and%20young%20people%202012-17.pdf>

3. Previous meeting minute and matters arising – 18/12/18

The minute was approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Denice Lilley noted that an action had been missed from the last minute in relation to providing an update report following her meeting with the Care Inspectorate (RESTRICTED).

Public Protection Information Sharing Protocol

Anne Neilson informed attendees that the ISP had been submitted to the recent Pan-Lothian Data Sharing Partnership meeting for consideration. Anne was not present at the meeting but will seek an update and inform Andrew Main in the first instance.

4. Meeting reports

East Lothian and Midlothian Critical Services Oversight Group

The last meeting of the East Lothian and Midlothian Critical Services Oversight Group took place on Thursday 24th January 2019. Anne Neilson summarised the content of the meeting for the benefit of attendees.

Chief Officer Leadership Event – 18th June 2019

The Chief Officer Leadership Event has now been rescheduled to Tuesday 18th June 2019. Invitations have been issued to the Council Chief Executives, Chief Superintendent and NHS Lothian Chief Executive.

Public Protection Learning and Practice Development sub-group

The last meeting of the Learning and Practice Development sub-group took place on Monday 11th March 2019. Alison White summarised the content of the meeting for the benefit of attendees.

- Child Sexual Exploitation – at the recent sub-group meeting Alison White agreed to raise the need to revisit our local Child Sexual Exploitation Strategy and action plan. Attendees agreed that it would be beneficial to evaluate the East Lothian and Midlothian position in relation to the National Action Plan. Sean Byrne agreed to pull together a Child Sexual Exploitation Short Life Working Group to review the local position with an update being presented to the next EMPPC meeting.

Performance and Quality Improvement sub-group

The last meeting of the Performance and Quality Improvement sub-group took place on Wednesday 13th February 2019. Joan Tranent summarised the content of the meeting for the benefit of attendees. The following comments were noted:

- National CPC Dataset Pilot – the pilot is continuing into its second quarter (November – January). The pilot is proving to be an extensive but worthwhile piece of work. Future analysis and scrutiny of the data will be undertaken by a smaller working group who will then raise key points with the wider sub-group.
- Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Home Visit Report – recent data has demonstrated an increased level of awareness but further analysis is necessary. (RESTRICTED)
- Improvement Plan update reports process – this process is now in its 3rd round of reporting. Sean Byrne noted that the first two rounds of reporting had received limited response rates and the quality of the reports received could be improved in some cases. Attendees agreed that this process is necessary in order to build an evidence base and asked that Sean initiate an ‘off table’ discussion to address any issues.
- EMPPC – Quarter 3 Lead Officer Observations Report – a copy of the quarter 3 Lead Officer Observations report was distributed to members in advance of the meeting. The following comments were noted:
 - Adult Support and Protection:
 - (RESTRICTED)
 - Denice Lilley recently reviewed the Adult Support and Protection Performance Indicators with changes being implemented from 1st April 2019.
 - A number of Initial Case Review workshops (RESTRICTED) have been held recently, which evaluated very well.
 - Denice Lilley to link with Vivien McVie about the work of the Pan-Lothian Chronologies Working Group and establish if there is any transferable good practice.

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- Child Protection:
 - CP08 (East) – Anne Neilson queried why this indicator was so low: 35% (6/17). The following comment was provided when this data was submitted *“Where plan not shared, Team Leader advised and plan in place for workers to share”*.
- Violence Against Women and Girls:
 - Veronica Campanile reiterated to members that the funding situation for the Midlothian and East Lothian Sexual Abuse Services is now critical for both services. There is a distinct lack of clarity regarding future funding and this is having a detrimental impact on service provision and staffing.
 - VAW10 and VAW11 – Veronica will be revising the definition of these indicators in future in order to tighten up surrounding the perpetrator terminology.
 - Commercial Sexual Exploitation position statement – this is flagging as an area that requires further attention from the Committee.
- Offender Management:
 - RESTRICTED
- Learning and Development:
 - Sean Byrne informed attendees that there will be a decrease in the number of training places / events available over the coming quarters as we focus on priority areas.

Communications sub-group

The last meeting of the Communications sub-group took place on Wednesday 23rd January 2019 and a copy of the minute was distributed to members in advance of the meeting for their information. A timeline of upcoming events and a communications strategy are due to be presented at the next meeting of the sub-group for consideration.

Violence Against Women and Girls Delivery sub-group

The last meeting of the Delivery sub-group took place on Tuesday 5th February 2019. Matt Paden summarised the content of the meeting for the benefit of attendees. Matt noted that recent feedback from the Improvement Service had been very positive about our Equally Safe Quality Standards improvement actions and performance framework return.

5. Updates (wider context)

Child Protection

- Review of national guidance for Child Protection – there is a national consultation ongoing and Sean Byrne will keep Committee members informed on progress.
- Review of Inter-agency Child Protection Procedures – work is ongoing and a variety of feedback has been received. East Lothian and Midlothian Education have requested that their local Child Protection procedures are incorporated into the document which is very positive. Scottish Borders have expressed an interest in adopting the procedures.
- CPC Scotland update – the full agenda and papers have been distributed to members for their information only and a report was distributed in advance to cover the highlights.

Adult Support and Protection

- Adult Support and Protection National Network update – Denice Lilley noted that a national update was included within the quarter 3 report on page 8. Highlights included the completion of the remaining 26 Adult Support and Protection inspections and the national legislation review.
- Adult Support and Protection self-evaluation / inspection – Denice has e-mailed East Lothian colleagues regarding preparation for the future inspection and has proposed a self-evaluation plan. Planning is underway and Denice intends to link in with Care Inspectorate colleagues for support.

Violence Against Women and Girls

- National VAWG Network update – Veronica Campanile summarised her update report for the benefit of attendees. The following points were highlighted:
 - Right to paid leave – South Ayrshire recently made national headlines as the first Council to follow the New Zealand example and offer up to 10 days paid leave to victims of domestic violence. Veronica recommended that both Councils consider this for local implementation. Attendees suggested that Veronica link with Lesley Crozier (Equalities Officer, East Lothian Council / Midlothian Council) for an initial discussion.
 - Violence Against Women and Girls champions will need to be considered further by individual agencies.

Offender Management / MAPP

A proposal was recently presented to the Edinburgh, Lothian and Borders Strategic Oversight Group in relation to shared funding for the Serious Offender Liaison Services (SOLS). Ultimately the decision was taken that any additional funding would be paid from overall MAPP funding.

Drugs and Alcohol

There was a recent article in the Edinburgh Evening News in relation to Edinburgh Alcohol and Drug Partnership funding. Despite being about Edinburgh the article referenced the 'Lothians' on several occasions and this may result in some further media attention in East Lothian and Midlothian.

Prevent update

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Equally Safe Multi-agency Centre for Child Protection and Gender Based Violence

Anne Neilson confirmed that funding has now been agreed from the Scottish Government

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6. East Lothian and Midlothian Public Protection Business Plan 2018-2021

The Public Protection Business Plan is submitted today for member's attention. Sean Byrne has updated the comments on the plan and asked if attendees had any questions. No questions were noted.

7. Documents for sign off

EMPPC – Looked After and Accommodated Children Who Go Missing

This protocol has now been finalised and Sean Byrne will distribute to members for final comment, pending sign off. Sean noted that no response will be taken as agreement. A finalised document will be distributed to members in due course.

Judith Tait informed attendees that BT recently contacted Angela Leitch regarding their missing person's pilot scheme. Judith has subsequently received a paper from BT, via Angela, for consideration. BT are planning to undertake a local workshop to scope need in the East Lothian area and consider a pilot. Judith agreed to share the proposal papers with relevant colleagues for consideration.

EMPPC – Large Scale Investigation Protocol

The draft is currently with neighbouring areas for consideration as a Pan-Lothian protocol had been suggested. Denice Lilley has received positive feedback on the protocol from Police Scotland and the Care Inspectorate. Denice will continue to progress in conjunction with partner agencies with a finalised document being distributed to members in due course.

8. Initial / Significant Case Reviews / Large Scale Investigations

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9. For information only

Protecting Children and Young People – Child Protection Committee and Chief Officer Responsibilities

This document was provided for information only.

10. Any other competent business

No further business.

Next meeting **Tuesday 25th June 2019 @ 2pm-5pm in Esk Room 2, Brunton Hall**