

# Deputy and Assistant Headteachers' Meeting

9<sup>th</sup> November 2017

## Safeguarding Update

Jane Morris – School Safeguarding  
and Exclusions Officer



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# OfSTED Inspection of Children's Services

- **Inspection of services for children in need** of help and protection, children looked after and care leavers
- Inspection in May – report published in July
- Services judged **inadequate**
- **DfE Commissioner** appointed to assess the council's capacity to make the necessary improvements
- **Improvement Plan** required – now submitted
- **OfSTED monitoring visit** in November

# Improvement Plan

- Main focus on **quality of social work practice and supervision**
- But is **multi-agency** – across social care, health, education, schools, the police
- **Education Service Action Plan:**
  - developed with **input from heads**
  - identifies the **actions that we need to take** in support of the overall Improvement Plan
  - designed to **improve the interfaces** between social care and education and to develop a **better working partnership** between schools, the education service and social care



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# Education Service Action Plan - key actions

- **Thresholds and referrals**
- Communications between **MASH** and schools
- **Safeguarding handbook**
- Escalation and **resolution process**
- Communication and **engagement between schools and social care**
- **Menu of interventions for early help**
- **Pilot Hubs** for improving early help

# Schools representation in children’s services improvement activities

Network	Development of new threshold guidance	Providing views on functioning of MASH	Developing a Safeguarding Handbook with info on FS roles, responsibilities, policies and procedures  Development of new resolution process	Contribute case studies on communications with Family Services	Development of menu of interventions for early help
Special			Mapledown		
Secondary			Laura (East Barnet) Orla (Mill Hill County)		
Primary 1			Marc Shoffren (Alma)		
Primary 2			Sara Keen (Rimon)		
Primary 3			Barbara Costa (Our Lady of Lourdes) Colin Dowland (Woodridge)		
E&S officer lead			Jane Morris		
MEETINGS			14 <sup>th</sup> November – East Barnet		

**Would you be willing for someone from Social Care to visit your school in “Practice Week?”**



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# Safeguarding

## Safeguarding Support for Schools



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# Safeguarding Support for Schools

- Safeguarding audit tool
  - Links directly to KCSIE
  - Update Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy
  - Training audit
  - Identify gaps in knowledge or practice and informs plans
  - Engage Governors
  - Updated annually

# Safeguarding Support for Schools

- SCR - request a check
- Have your policy checked
- Safeguarding visit
- Police – sign up to Information Sharing Agreement (secondary only)
- Resolution policy
- No consultation line. Schools can now phone MASH at any time for advice.



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# Learning and Activities

- Threshold workshops – 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> November 2017
- Breakfast Briefings
  - Gangs – Whitefield School 23<sup>rd</sup> November 8am
  - Sharing of good practice
- Family Services multi-agency audits
- Case studies
- DSLs encouraged to visit MASH and sit in MASH and 0-19 early help panels.
- Practice week – SC to visit schools?
- Workforce Development and BPSI training