

Southampton Safeguarding Children Partnership statement

Derek Benson, Independent Chair of the Southampton Safeguarding Children Partnership, said:



“On behalf of the Southampton Safeguarding Children Partnership I would like to extend my sincere condolences to “Liam’s” family and everyone who knew him.

While the independent report we commissioned concluded that the immediate events that led to his death could not have been predicted, it has highlighted a number of important points of learning for safeguarding agencies in the city. These are especially pertinent to complex long-term interventions with children and young people.

While I am confident that these areas of learning are already being addressed effectively, we are committed to working with all safeguarding partners to ensure they are performing to the highest standards in keeping our vulnerable children safe.”