



Keeping Children Safe:

News from the Southampton Safeguarding Children Partnership



Welcome to news from the Southampton Safeguarding Children Partnership

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Neglect Strategy Toolkit - refresh and relaunch

Tackling neglect remains a priority for our city and all who work with children and families.

A multi-agency task and finish group have been working to refresh the SSCP Neglect Strategy and toolkit. This work has been ably led by Harry Kutty, Chair of Aspire Community Trust and Headteacher of Cantell School.

Harry has been consistent and clear, our aim is to ensure we refresh and relaunch a multi-agency strategy and toolkit that helps us to effectively respond to the neglect of children within our city.

Like all members of the task and finish group, Harry has seen first-hand the damage neglect can cause to children and young people's life chances and firmly believes all children deserve a fundamental right to be loved, looked after, cared for and educated. We all have a part to play in this.

If we can respond early, effectively, and together, our young people will be so much more able to thrive and live positive lives.

Listening to the feedback from across services the toolkit has been expanded and contains case studies and effective practice examples to help colleagues.

Harry and members of the task and finish group are committed to making sure the toolkit is embedded in our safeguarding practice.

As our first step, we will be launching the Neglect Strategy and Toolkit in March so watch this space!



Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 8th February

It's Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 8 February - a good opportunity for us to remind everyone about our [Lurking Trolls campaign](#). The aim is to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively.

We want children to be able to spot potential perils online, know what to do if something goes wrong and how to recover from any difficulties or upsets.

[The Trolls](#) website contains a variety of fun and educational resources for parents, carers and those working with children and young people to help start a conversation and educate them in staying safe online.

SSCP Training Events

We regularly host a variety of training courses that are free to attend and would welcome you or your colleagues to join us. Below are just a few that are coming up:

- [**An introduction to children who go missing from home – Wednesday 9 February**](#)
- [**The role of the Local Authority Designated Officer \(LADO\) – Thursday 10 February**](#)
- [**Introduction to Online Safety – Thursday 17 February**](#)
- [**DASH Risk Assessment Training – Wednesday 23 February**](#)

Explore our other courses and available dates on our [Eventbrite page](#). Please do feel free to share within your organisations.

As ever would like to thank all the trainers from across our city who have kindly agreed to give their time to provide this training.

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