

Winter 2017/18 Newsletter

Camden Safeguarding Children Board



Working in partnership to keep all children and young people safe and thriving within an environment where safeguarding is everybody's business.

What is a Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB)?

LSCBs were established by the Children Act 2004. The LSCB is the key statutory mechanism for agreeing how the relevant agencies in each local area will co-operate to safeguard and promote the welfare of children in that locality, and for ensuring the effectiveness of what they do. Camden's LSCB (CSCB) is made up from multi-agency professionals across, Local Authority, Education Health, Police and Voluntary Organisations.

The Camden Safeguarding Children Board and Subgroups



If you would like to know more about any of the Subgroups above please visit the CSCB website or email CSCB@camden.gov.uk



As some of you may be aware the CSCB recently underwent a review by Ofsted, as part of the statutory inspection of services for children in need of help and protection, children looked after and care leavers. The Camden Safeguarding Children Board has been rated [Outstanding](#) by Ofsted. The full report can be viewed [here \(https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/local-authorities/camden\)](https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/local-authorities/camden)

How you can get involved in local issues impacting children and families:

We require the support from our community organisations to progress the CSCB priorities and other workshops organised by the CSCB. We want to hear your views, your experiences and your suggestions, as you are the specialist working on the ground. If you are interested in being involved please contact CSCB@camden.gov.uk or call 0207 974 1276.



TRAINING

Did you know you can access a wide range of children's safeguarding training courses provided by the CSCB for free?

The CSCB provides a comprehensive and high quality **training programme** that is **free**, as part of learning and development for **all staff** who work in services that contribute to the safety and welfare of children in Camden.

Some of our next sessions are on:

- Safeguarding Camden's Children the Multi-Agency Task – 20th and 21st February
- Understanding CSE and working with victims of Sexual Exploitation – 14th March
- Neglect an analytical approach – 20th March

To view the full range of future training available please click [here](http://www.cscb-new.co.uk/?page_id=6223) (http://www.cscb-new.co.uk/?page_id=6223)

Highlight of what has been achieved so far in 2018:

The Community Engagement Subgroup organised a workshop for over 40 multi-agency professionals, voluntary organisations and community members in January 2018. The workshop focused on Abuse Linked to Faith and Belief. The Police, Local Authority and a Keynote speaker presented at the workshop in order to equip delegates with the information necessary to identify when a child may be abused through faith or belief and provide support. 100% of delegates said that they would recommend this workshop and that the workshop met the identified aims and objectives.

Key Points:

- Abuse is not confined to one faith, nationality or community
- Abuse can be physical, emotional, neglectful and sexual
- A belief system can refer to; a life stance, religion, world view, philosophy and ideology

If you have any concerns about a child in Camden please contact: 0207 974 3317 (9am-5pm) or 0207 974 4444 (out of hours) or visit the NSPCC for more information: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/safeguarding/safeguarding-faith-communities/>

No Recourse to Public Funds Policy – Consultation ends on 9th February 2018

The CSCB are currently consulting on the No Recourse to Public Funds Policy. To view the policy please click visit <https://cscb-new.co.uk/?p=10573>. Anybody who wishes to make any comments or representations should contact CSCB@camden.gov.uk by **9th February 2018**. The policy covers the duties of the local authority to assess and support families who are barred from receiving benefits due to their immigration status.

If you would like to find out more information please visit the Camden Safeguarding Children Board website: <http://www.cscb-new.co.uk/>

If you have any further questions please contact CSCB@camden.gov.uk or call 0207 974 1276