Calderdale Safeguarding **Children Partnership**

Yearly Report 2023-2024



We want every child in Calderdale to have hope and aspiration for the future.

The Calderdale Safeguarding Children Partnership (CSCP) is responsible for keeping children safe from harm and neglect and promoting their wellbeing.

We're 3 partners working together:



- West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB)
- Calderdale District Police Force

We work with lots of different services and organisations to make sure they're doing the right things to protect children. We:



look at children's records

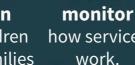


carry out surveys



to children and families







Population of Calderdale is 208.700.



of children (aged 0-15)

live in poverty.



We have a Young Advisors group of 9 young people aged 13-17. They check our work and tell us what's important to children and young people in Calderdale.

Last year:

We talked to professionals

number of children excluded

about how to reduce the

from schools.

We checked to make sure children are safe and getting the right support including:

- children who are looked after
- children who are home educated
- children who've experience domestic abuse
- children who have special educational needs or disabilities.





We've improved how we collect data so we can use it to spot risks and improve services.

We reported on how poverty and the cost-of-living increase have affected children's lives. This helps services make decisions for the future.

We listened to children, young people and adults who use services to find out what matters to them and how to improve support.

We held events and workshops for professionals, including the Safeguarding Week.

We worked with services to make sure they work in the best ways to deal with serious knife crime and other violence.

We offer professionals online training sessions and opportunities to attend courses.

2459 people attended courses

6016 took part in e-learning training sessions.



We checked the work of the Multi-Agency Screening Team (MAST). This team is the first place people come to or are referred to for support — the 'front door'.

We meet with professions to check if any actions need to be put in place after a child's death. This is to help services learn and improve.



We checked the work of the Child Exploitation Team to make sure they were sharing information in the right ways, understood risk and protecting children.





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This year's main findings:

There are lots of professionals working hard to keep children safe. All services and organisations are clear about how they will work together to keep children safe.

There is a clear vision to improve children's lives and the outcomes.

Children, young people

their experiences

improve support.

Professionals step in quickly when they spot a child is at risk of harm, support them in the right ways and keep them safe.

and families are involved and listened to, because

Services and organisations challenge issues and hold each other accountable.

Data is collected, shared and used to spot risks and new threats so services can step in and protect children.

Information is gathered and shared in the right ways so it can be used to make decisions.

Leadership promotes and supports learning.

Leadership understands and knows the quality of support children and families are getting and the difference it makes.



Our Priorities

for 2024-2025

- To improve how we keep vulnerable young people aged 10-24 safe from risks and harm outside the home.
- To improve how organisations support anyone (including children) who experience domestic abuse. That includes making sure they know how to spot risks, step in early and do everything they can to prevent it.
- To make sure we check and review services in the right way using the guideline in Working Together to Safeguard Children 2023.
 - To work with the Safeguarding Adult Board to make sure children are getting the right support when they move from child services to adult services.

You can read more here



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