



## Statement on Behalf of Hull Safeguarding Children's Partnership

### Child H SCR

The Hull Safeguarding Children Board commissioned a serious case review following Child H's tragic death, once it was confirmed that the circumstances were suspicious.

The review was concluded in 2016 but due to the criminal prosecution could not be published until the investigation had been concluded in November 2019. As a result of the time taken from conclusion to publication the learning from the review does not now reflect current operational delivery in 2020, and an addendum report has been produced detailing the position in 2020 in respect of six areas of significant practice identified and the improvement actions taken.

There has been a significant focus on how organisations identify and respond to potential domestic abuse situations, including the new coercive control legislation, within relationships and 'new' male partners. More specialist training has been delivered to professionals so that risk management and interventions can be more effective. A strategic domestic abuse group has been established, which continues to monitor and review the implementation of the domestic abuse strategy and action plan for the city.

All those involved in the review cooperated fully to consider how agencies work together and to ensure that the lessons learnt will help keep children safe.

On behalf of the partnership, once again, I extend my deepest sympathy to all those affected by Child H's death.

Anyone who is worried about the welfare of a child or young person can share the information confidentially via [www.hull.gov.uk/worried](http://www.hull.gov.uk/worried) or 01482 300 300, or through [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk) or 0808 800 5000.

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