



## Introduction

Welcome to the final edition of the Hull Safeguarding Children Partnership newsletter for 2022! Fantastic work has taken place this year across Hull to support children and young people. The Hull Safeguarding Children Partnership Annual Report (21/22) is included within this newsletter and evidences progress which has been made over the last 12 months – a big thank you to everyone involved in safeguarding children across Hull as without your tireless commitment this could not be achieved!

The White Ribbon '16 Days of Action' commenced on 25<sup>th</sup> November 22 with a range of activities taking place across Hull to support the elimination of violence against women and girls. The Hull Community Safety Partnership announced Hull has been reaccredited as a White Ribbon city for a further 3 years. Schools across Hull joined in with activities to raise awareness with the theme of 'Hands are not for Hurting' with children enjoying visits from Humberside Police and Fire and Rescue Services, including spending time with K9 Fire Investigation dogs!



## White Ribbon 2022

This newsletter includes information to raise awareness around domestic abuse and services which are available to help all those who are experiencing abuse and services who can work with perpetrators to help stop abusive behaviour.

Articles within this newsletter include updates from the Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel, highlights from the recent Hull Private Fostering week and free activities taking place through the Healthy Holidays Winter programme. It is recognised that the Christmas period can be difficult for many people. Support available for children, young people and their families in relation to mental health and emotional wellbeing is detailed below and there is always someone available to be contacted. This information will continue to be shared through the HSCP twitter feed.

Any feedback in relation to newsletters is always welcome and any ideas you may have for topics to include in future newsletters are always appreciated! If you would like to submit an article for a future edition, please email [hscp@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:hscp@hullcc.gov.uk). Information is also regularly shared through the HSCP twitter account - <https://twitter.com/LSCPHull>. Previous newsletters can be accessed via the HSCP website - <https://www.hullscp.co.uk/newsletters/>

I look forward to working with you all in 2023!

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## HSCP Annual Report



To access the annual report please click on the following link: [HSCP Annual Report](#)

## HSCP Priorities 2021 - 2022

Hull Safeguarding Children Partnership's priorities for 2021 - 2022 are:



- Priority 1: Neglect
- Priority 2: Contextual Safeguarding
- Priority 3: Domestic Abuse
- Priority 4: Learning and Improvement
- Priority 5: COVID Recovery

Please visit [www.hullscp.co.uk](http://www.hullscp.co.uk) for more information.

The Hull Safeguarding Children Partnership Business Plan for 2021- 2022 is now available to view on the HSCP website.

[Business Plan 2021 - 2022](#)

## Job Opportunity - HSCP Service Support Officer - Fixed Term



**Hull  
Safeguarding  
Children  
Partnership**

Would you like to play a key role in helping to ensure an effective Hull Safeguarding Children Partnership (HSCP)? Hull Safeguarding Children Partnership are seeking maternity leave cover for a Service Support Officer role. This is an opportunity for someone seeking an administrative role to be involved in the exciting work which is taking place in Hull!

This is a fixed term post until September 2023 and secondment will be considered for this role across the partnership. Please discuss this with your employer if it is applicable to yourself.

**The closing date for applications is Thursday 5th January 2023.**

For more information please see the link below:

[Service Support Officer - Fixed Term](#)

## Mental Health Support For This Festive Period

Many of us struggle at this time of year. Remember that you're not alone, and if you need support, it's out there. Please share this post so more people know there's always someone at the other end of the phone waiting for their call.

### Support for you this festive period

**0300 123 3393**  
Open 10am-6pm weekdays  
(except for bank holidays).

**116 123**  
Always open

**0800 58 58 58**  
Open 5pm - midnight

If you're in Wales:

**0800 132 737**  
Always open

If you're under 25:

**0808 808 4994**  
Open 4pm - 11pm

- **Local and national organisations** - such as Hull DAP, How Are You Feeling, Every Mind Matters and more.
  - **The Samaritans** are waiting for your call. Whatever you're going through, a Samaritan will face it with you. Available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Call **116 123 for free** or visit [www.samaritans.org/](http://www.samaritans.org/)
  - **Space2BHeard** are our council's independent counselling service. Visit their website to make a self referral at [www.space2bheard.org/hull-city-council-independent-counselling-service/](http://www.space2bheard.org/hull-city-council-independent-counselling-service/) or call **01482 705 023**
  - **Let's Talk** is helping people improve access to psychological therapies. Visit [www.letstalkhull.co.uk](http://www.letstalkhull.co.uk)

- **Hull DAP** is working in partnership to tackle domestic violence. Visit [www.hulldap.co.uk](http://www.hulldap.co.uk) for more information or call **01482 318 759** (from a safe phone). Or call **999** in an emergency.
- The NHS **Mental Health Crisis Intervention Team** is available for adults aged 18 to 64. It's an urgent care service for people living in Hull and the East Riding of Yorkshire who are experiencing an acute mental health crisis. Call **0800 138 0990** to access this service.
- For free and confidential support for anyone affected by alcohol or drugs, **ReNew** is there to help. Visit [www.changegrowlive.org/hull-renew/recovery-hub](http://www.changegrowlive.org/hull-renew/recovery-hub) for more information.
- **Hull Women's Aid** has been helping women since 1975, and is the sole provider of safe and secure refuge accommodation for women and children fleeing domestic abuse. Visit [www.hullwomensaid.org](http://www.hullwomensaid.org) for Live Chat options and further information. Or call the 24hr helpline using the freephone number **0800 048 9944**

## Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel: Annual Report 2021

Independent annual report for serious child safeguarding incidents in 2021.



Child Safeguarding  
Practice Review Panel

This is the third annual report from the independent Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel.

It looks at the child safeguarding system, based on serious child safeguarding incidents occurring between 1 January and 31 December 2021.

The report sets out patterns in practice for national government and local safeguarding partners to better protect vulnerable children.

Please find the report here:

- [Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel: 2021 Annual Report](#) (Published 15/12/2022)
- [Annex: Annual Review of Local Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews](#) (Published 15/12/2022)

## Thank You Message From Pauline Turner To Everyone For Your Support During The Ofsted Full Inspection Of Children's Social Care



Thank you to everyone who supported colleagues during our recent Ofsted visit. While we cannot share the final grading with you, which will be published on Friday, 13 January, we can say that Ofsted found improvements in every area of the directorate.

We know this has been a stressful time, inspections always are, but the teamwork and support from colleagues across the partnership has been amazing so well done everyone. So very proud of you all.

## UK Health Security Agency Information About Group A Strep

Cases of invasive Group A Strep are rare, but parents should be aware of what to look out for. If you think your child is seriously unwell, call 999 or go to A&E.

More info <https://ukhsa.blog.gov.uk/2022/12/05/group-a-strep-what-you-need-to-know/>

# Group A Strep (GAS)

Cases of Invasive Group A Strep (iGAS) are rare. Some current cases are presenting with sepsis-like symptoms.

## Be aware of important sepsis symptoms:

- ▶ Blue, pale or blotchy skin, lips or tongue - on darker skin, check for blueness on the lips, tongue or gums, under the nails or around the eyes
- ▶ rash that doesn't fade when you roll a glass over it
- ▶ difficulty breathing
- ▶ weak, high-pitched cry - not like their normal cry
- ▶ not responding like normal, not interested in feeding or normal activities
- ▶ being sleepier than normal or difficult to wake.

## Private Fostering Week 2022

Are you looking after someone else's child?



If you are doing this for more than 28 days you are required by law to tell Children and Family Services.



To notify us please contact  
Telephone: 01482 448 879 or  
visit our website: [www.hull.gov.uk](http://www.hull.gov.uk)  
EHASH Portal: CYP Hub  
[www.hull.gov.uk](http://www.hull.gov.uk)



This month saw Hull's first Private Fostering Week which gave the opportunity to learn more about Private Fostering and promote information around this across the partnership which will support in safeguarding children and young people in Hull.

To help promote key messages, several posters have been promoted on screens across the city centre throughout Private Fostering week. These have been shared with partners to be displayed in communal areas to cascade this information to as many people as possible.

We also widely shared our one-minute guide to support in developing everyone's understanding around Private Fostering arrangements which can be accessed here: [HSCP Private Fostering One Minute Guide](#)

We hope that this week facilitated learning across the partnership and furthered knowledge around Private Fostering.

If you or a colleague feel that you want to learn more about Private Fostering then please see our e-Learning course that is available for all staff who work with and support children, young people and their

families/carers across the partnership.

[Private Fostering Briefing e-Learning Information](#)

[HSCP Learning Programme Booking Form](#)

Hull CC staff can access this training by logging onto OLM (Oracle Learning Management System). Staff external to Hull CC may access this by completing the attached application form and emailing this to [learninganddevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:learninganddevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk) or alternatively return to: Learning & Development, Brunswick House, Strand Close, Beverley Road, Hull, HU2 9DB

We have also included the Local Authorities Private Fostering animation in case you missed it earlier in the month.



### **New Education Safeguarding Manager Appointed**



Hull City Council has appointed Laura Carr as the new Education Safeguarding Manager.

Laura has worked in Education across the city for over 12 years and has held safeguarding roles in a number of settings including further education, secondary schools and primary schools.

Laura's experience covers a range of key areas of education such as examinations and data, attendance, pupil welfare, pupil well-being and safeguarding.

### **OPCC Domestic Abuse Awareness Winter Campaign**

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner are pleased to share our winter campaign to raise awareness of Domestic Abuse, the campaign began running last week and will continue until January featuring on-street ads, radio commercials across all local stations and sponsored social media posts.

Messages are aimed separately at three cohorts, victims/survivors of DA, perpetrators and bystanders. As with our previous campaigns, we encourage people to access our two websites with details of local and national support services, these are:

Victims – [www.youarenotalone.online](http://www.youarenotalone.online)

Perpetrators/Bystanders – [www.helptostop.online](http://www.helptostop.online)

# "ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS TO FEEL SAFE AT HOME"



Find out how local services can work with you to help you feel safer.



#YouAreNotAlone

0808 2000 247

[youarenotalone.online](http://youarenotalone.online)

# FUN, DRINKS, TIME TOGETHER.

**No excuse for violence.**



Get help to **STOP.**



**Respect**  
Phoneline

Help to stop abusive behaviour.

[www.helptostop.online](http://www.helptostop.online)

0808 8024040

## Damp Or Mould In Houses You Visit - URGENT UPDATE



Many of you will be aware of the coroners finding into the Rochdale Housing case around the impact of damp of mould in the home. The senior coroner in this case, Joanne Kearsley said: "The tragic death of Awaab will and should be a defining moment for the housing sector in terms of increasing knowledge, increasing awareness and a deepening of understanding surrounding the issue of damp and mould."

This is an extremely sad case which emphasises the importance of our work with residents in ensuring homes are of a high quality and free from hazards such as damp and mould.

To ensure cases like this never occur in our homes **we need your help!** If your role involves going into a resident's home and **you see signs of damp, mould or condensation, please do not walk on by.** We need you to report no matter how small you think the problem is.

You can do this in a number of ways:

- If the property is owned and managed by HCC, please raise through [HIS-ContractSupportNorth@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:HIS-ContractSupportNorth@hullcc.gov.uk)
- If the property is in the private rented sector, please follow this up with colleagues in private housing [housing.standards@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:housing.standards@hullcc.gov.uk)

If possible, please ensure the property address, residents name, contact details and a brief description of the problem is included. If the resident advises that the issue has already been raised, please check this either directly if you are able to, or with colleagues in our council who can confirm when the appointment has been made.

We are also in the process of updating our advice book on Damp and Mould for residents and we will be carrying a special feature on the topic in the next addition of Hull Housing News (delivered to all council tenants). We all have responsibility to ensuring our residents have great places to live. By raising any damp, mould or other repair issues you're owning it and helping to make sure we put our residents first in everything we do.

## Healthy Holidays Winter Programme



Our Healthy Holidays winter programme booking opens tomorrow. Please invite any families you are working with to visit the website from Thursday 1 December as we want to enable them to have the first-hand opportunity to book on.

The link to the programme is below and features more than 350 sessions over the holiday period including swimming, ice skating, holiday camps, boxing, arts, dance and music – all free of charge and each will include a food offer. Sessions run from Monday 19 December throughout the school holidays.

Please encourage any families you work with to log on and book on to sessions. The booking opens to the public on Thursday 8 December and information leaflets will go out in school book bags alongside wider publicity.  
[www.healthyholidayshull.org](http://www.healthyholidayshull.org)

## Burglary Christmas Campaign

A poster for a burglary prevention campaign during Christmas. The background is a dark, textured wall with a window showing a brightly lit Christmas tree with lights and ornaments. The text is in large, white, serif capital letters. The main headline reads 'ARE YOUR PRESENTS HOME ALONE?'. Below it, another line reads 'KEEP THEM OUT OF SIGHT AND SECURE YOUR HOME.'. At the bottom left, in red and white text, it says 'Call 101 to report, or 999 if there is a burglary in progress' and 'humberside.police.uk'. At the bottom right, there is the Humberside Police crest and the tagline 'Serving our communities to make them safer and stronger'.

We know how intrusive a home burglary is and how badly this type of crime affects people. We are doing all we can to identify and catch those who commit burglaries and would ask people not to give opportunist thieves an open invitation to your celebrations.

<https://youtu.be/aBviMk3N95w>

Help keep your home and property safe by taking some basic crime prevention advice:

- Make sure you lock your doors and windows – even when you are in. More than a third of all burglaries take place through unlocked or open doors and windows.
- Don't leave anything on show – we all love to see presents under the tree, but this is a wonderful sight for any passing criminal too.
- Don't advertise what you have bought as gifts or received on social media – sharing that you have a new bike on social media can lead to people targeting your home or garage to steal it.
- Do not ever keep large amounts of cash in your home. If you are thinking of gifting money, think about sending it electronically.
- Keys should always be kept out of sight and not left in doors or in view of windows.
- If you have bought a new bike – register it online with the Bike Register or Immobilise. Make sure it's locked securely in a locked garage and don't leave it unlocked when you go out.
- Using electricity to keep a light on might be something you are reluctant to do but making your home looked lived-in while you are out does act as a deterrent. An energy efficient bulb in a hall light would use a tiny amount of energy and help protect your home.
- Don't open the door to anybody you don't recognise. Not sure? Don't open the door!

Most burglaries are not pre-planned, they're committed by opportunist thieves who spot an open door, window, or valuables on display.

Detective Chief Inspector Simon Vickers said: "We are doing everything we can to bring burglars and offenders to justice. "However, I urge residents to also play their part and make an effort to protect their own property to prevent the crime from ever happening."

#### DID YOU KNOW?

A thief can get through any gap larger than a human head, therefore please follow some simple but effective advice provided by the police officers who deal with the after-effects of a burglary:

#### HOW DO BURGLARS GET IN?

- In 33% of burglaries, they don't even have to use force – they get in through an open window or unlocked door.
- 70% enter through a door, with almost all the rest through a window.
- A thief can get through any gap larger than a human head.

#### WHAT DO I DO IF I'M BURGLED?

- Call the police immediately. If you think the burglar(s) may be still inside your property ring 999, don't go in but make the call on a mobile or from a neighbour's home. The police will make a much more rapid response if the perpetrators are still on the property.
- Ask the police if they want you to start making a list of missing items. BUT: resist the urge to tidy up any mess until after the police have been and have carried out their work.
- The police will take details of the crime and issue you with a crime number. You will need this number to track the progress of the investigation and make a claim on your home insurance.
- If any credit or debit cards or cheque books have been stolen contact the issuer to cancel them as soon as possible (most have 24-hour services). Check to see if important documents such as your passport or driving licence have been stolen and inform the relevant authorities.
- If you have think you know who did it, but would prefer to pass information on anonymously, you can do so via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

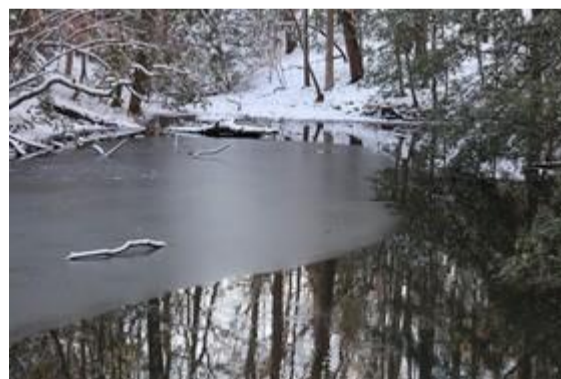
### Safer Sleep In Winter



Lullaby Trust has have produced a new Safer Sleep in Winter' resource, which you can share with the families you work with. The resource is filled with tips and advice on safer sleep during cold weather and is available to [download for free](#) on our website.

Advice on safer sleep in cold weather can also be found in the safer sleep section of their [website](#).

### COLD WEATHER ALERT: The Dangers Of Frozen Lakes And Ponds



Thinking of all those affected by the awful incident in Solihull over the weekend. Please be mindful of the dangers of frozen lakes and ponds in this area.

The Humber region has a significant length of coast and also numerous inland rivers and lakes. We want people to enjoy the water safely and we are fully committed to preventing drowning incidents from happening in the first place.

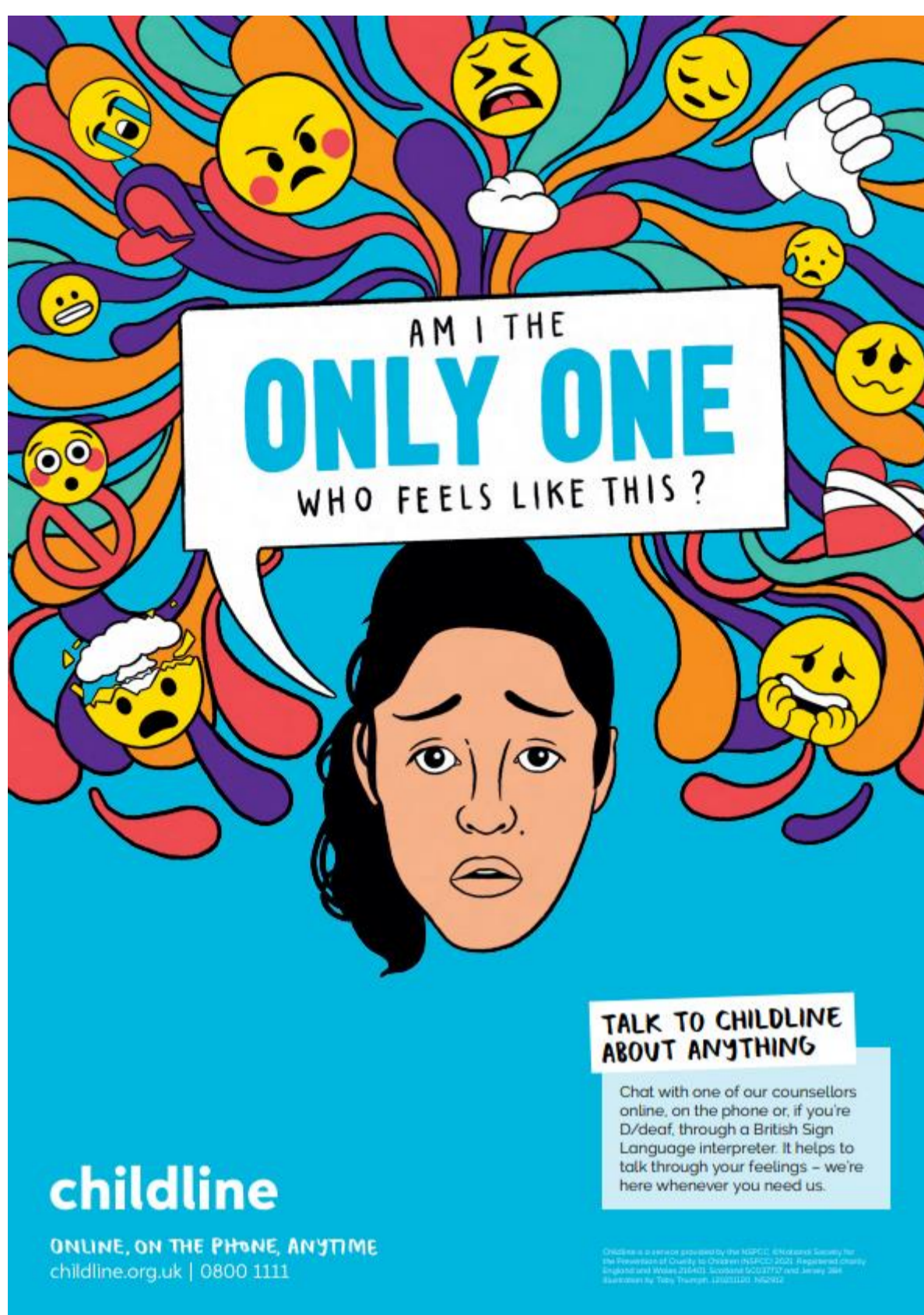
In order to do this more education is needed, not just in schools but also through engaging with the public in awareness campaigns, so that people fully understand the

risks and are better prepared.

See our website at <https://humbersidefire.gov.uk/your-safety/water-safety-and-drowning-prevention>

### Childline's Children and Young People's Christmas Mental Health Campaign





### School suspensions and permanent exclusions



**Department  
for Education**

When headteachers suspend or permanently exclude a pupil they must, without delay, notify parents. Legislative changes mean that if a pupil has a social worker, or if a pupil is looked-after, the headteacher must now, also without delay after their decision, notify the social worker and/or VSH, as applicable.

Headteachers should also take the pupil's views into account, considering these in light of their age and understanding, before deciding to exclude, unless it would not be appropriate to do so. They should inform the pupil about how their views have been factored into any decision made. Where relevant, the pupil should be given support to express their view, including through advocates such as parents or, if the pupil has one, a social worker. Whilst an exclusion may still be an appropriate sanction, the headteacher should also take account of any contributing factors identified after an incident of misbehaviour has occurred.

For more information the guidance can be found [here](#)

### Drink Driving Christmas Campaign

# ONE for the road?

Don't leave a  
family without  
a loved ONE  
this Christmas.

**THINK! Don't drink and drive**  
**humberside.police.uk**



Serving our communities to  
make them safer and stronger

## Signs of Safety Training



Hull City Council Children, Young People & Families Service Safeguarding & Targeted Early Help Support use the Signs of Safety Practice model. We are offering Signs of Safety training to any partners who work with us to support children, young people & families & want to know more about the model.

Our partnership briefing is a half day introduction to the model:  
February 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:30-12:30, virtual/online  
March 21<sup>st</sup>, 13:00-16:00, virtual/online

Our 2 day training is a more in depth course for those who need more detail:  
January 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, 9.15 start both days, virtual/online  
March 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 9.15 start both days, virtual/online

To book a place, please mail [LearningandDevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:LearningandDevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk)

## Have You Or Someone You Know Been Affected By Crime?



**HUMBERSIDE**  
POLICE & CRIME  
COMMISSIONER



## HAVE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW BEEN AFFECTED BY CRIME?

Did you not receive the help and support you wanted or needed?

We are developing a 'one stop shop' service to help all individuals affected by crime, to access information, help, support and advocacy.

**This is your time to have your say.**

**We need your help to understand what YOU want from this service.**



SCAN ME

Please scan this QR code to answer some simple questions or email your comments to us at:  
[PCC@humberside.pnn.police.uk](mailto:PCC@humberside.pnn.police.uk)



### Thrive Hull Directory of Support



**Thrive Hull**  
[howareyoufeeling.org.uk](http://howareyoufeeling.org.uk)

Have you seen the new Thrive Hull Directory of Support for Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health provision in the city?

[Thrive Directory of Services](#)

For more information about Thrive Hull please

visit: <https://www.howareyoufeeling.org.uk/about-thrive-hull>

### Overview Of Health Partners Within Hull And Key Contacts

# Children's Health Partners

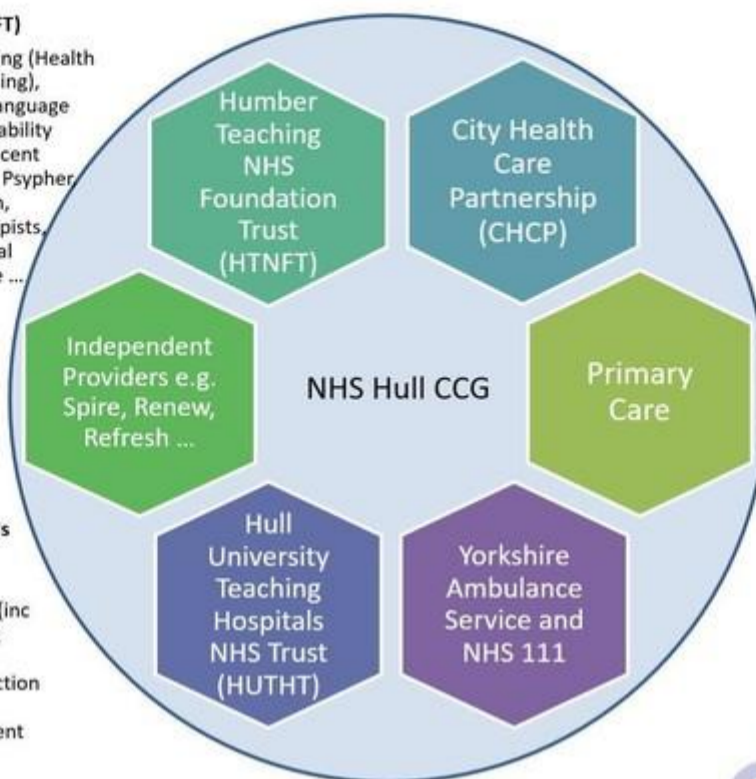


## Humber Teaching NHS Foundation Trust (HTNFT)

0-19 Public Health Nursing (Health Visiting and School Nursing), Community Speech & Language Therapists, Learning Disability teams, Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services, Psypher, Peri-natal Mental Health, Community Physiotherapists, Community Occupational Therapists, Primary Care ...

## Hull University Hospitals NHS Trust (HUTHT)

Maternity, Acute and Community Paediatrics (inc IHAs), Specialist Nursing Teams, Paediatric Specialities, Child Protection Medical Service, Child Sexual Assault Assessment Service...



**City Health Care Partnership (CHCP) CIC**  
Children Looked After Health Team, Community Children's Nursing, Children's Continuing Care, Nursing input into Special Schools, Sunshine House, Urgent Care, Specialist Dentistry, Sexual Health, Paediatric Dieticians, Weightwise Extra, Four GP practices ...

## Primary Care

GPs, Practice Nurses, Advanced Practitioners, Pharmacists, Dentists ...



## EHASH Numbers



The Early Help and Safeguarding Hub (EHASH) team are currently experiencing a high number of calls which are not EHASH related.

In order to help us answer calls in a timely manner, we are asking all staff and partners to please only call the EHASH line if it is in relation to a concern or worry for a child that does not have an allocated worker.

Also, where possible, please use the portal on the HCC website to make the relevant referral, if a discussion with a social worker is not required.

To access the portal please follow the link below:

<https://www.hull.gov.uk/children-and-families/safeguarding-and-welfare/worried-about-child>

## Contact

If you have any queries please email -

[HSCPAdmin@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:HSCPAdmin@hullcc.gov.uk)

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## Contact Us

Website: [www.hullscp.co.uk](http://www.hullscp.co.uk)  
Telephone: 0 1482 379 070  
Email: [HSCP@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:HSCP@hullcc.gov.uk)

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### Worried about a Child?

EHASH - 01482 448879 - Monday - Friday  
Emergency Duty Team (Out of Hours) - 01482 300304  
In an emergency please ring 999



**Hull Safeguarding Children Partnership**

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