#### Purpose

* To enable multi-agency learning to improve practice in relation to safeguarding children.
* To support the Safeguarding Partners[[1]](#footnote-1) in making a recommendation regarding whether a case meets the criteria for a local Child Safeguarding Practice Review or a local learning event. This can include reviews of good practice.
* The LIG will support the Safeguarding Partners in commissioning and overseeing local Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews and local learning events and recommending ways in which the learning and improvement from such reviews can be embedded into practice.
* The LIG has guidance and procedures to support the undertaking of local child safeguarding practice reviews and local learning events.

#### Objectives

To involve stakeholders in a collective endeavor to reflect and learn from what has happened in order to improve practice in the future. This includes focusing on systems within and across agency practice where learning and good practice is identified.

#### Responsibilities

* To provide an opportunity for a serious safeguarding case to be reviewed in a culture that is experienced as fair and just by all concerned.
* To consider whether a case meets the criteria for a rapid review and local Child Safeguarding Practice Review and produce terms of reference and review methodology. The Independent Scrutineer will be informed where a rapid review is required and the outcome.
* Making recommendations about whether to undertake a local Child Safeguarding Practice Review or Local Learning Event.
* Where required, consider the most effective and proportionate ways of conducting local Child Safeguarding Practice reviews/local learning events (where criteria have been met) that highlight learning, and how to best disseminate good practice throughout agencies. The subgroup will agree a methodology, produce terms of reference and identify who will lead the local Child Safeguarding Practice Review or Local Learning Event.
* To embed, when shared with the group, learning from other relevant external reviews including:
* Child safeguarding practice reviews / other learning reviews led by other safeguarding partnerships.
* National child safeguarding practice reviews
* Safeguarding adult reviews
* Serious further offence reviews
* Domestic homicide reviews (DHRs)
* MAPPA reviews
* Lead the commissioning of and overseeing of local Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews or local learning events undertaken.
* Approval of the final draft of any report associated with a local learning event or local child safeguarding practice review and associated partnership and agency response, before presentation to the IOWSCP Executive.
* Report to the Executive and Partnership Board with review findings, any recommendations and proposed actions.
* Identify any risk factors to the safeguarding partners and Independent Scrutineer that may impact on publication of any final report, including the safety and welfare of children and vulnerable adults, should a report be published.
* To recommend how the IOWSCP should publish its response to any local child safeguarding practice review and, if required, co-ordinate the response and dissemination of learning from local learning events[[2]](#footnote-2).
* Maintain a Review Action tracker to monitor recommendations and the actions taken by partner agencies as a result of reviews.
* Disseminating and embedding learning via the Executive, Board and the Workforce and Development group and any other subgroups as required.
* Provide regular reports to the Executive regarding the work of the group including emerging issues and risks
* To support the Lead Safeguarding Partners in the shared oversight of learning from serious incidents, local child safeguarding practice reviews and national reviews, ensuing recommendations are implemented and have a demonstrable impact.

#### Accountability

* The Chair will be a member of the Executive Group.
* The Chair will be agreed by the Executive Group
* The Group will be directly accountable to the Executive Group.
* The Chair will report to the Executive Group on the activity of the group on a quarterly basis
* The Partnership Board will be updated on the activity of the group on a quarterly basis
* LIG members will be accountable through their agency representative on the Partnership Board
* Decisions on recommendations arising from Rapid Reviews will be shared by the three Safeguarding Partners and their representatives from the Learning and Inquiry Group. They will be shared with the Independent Scrutineer to allow independent oversight and scrutiny of the recommendations and decisions.
* Learning arising from local Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews and local learning events will be shared with the other LSCPs across HIPS via the partnership managers.
* Representatives will be provided from each statutory agency with appropriate seniority to be able to speak for their agency and be sufficiently able to hold their organisation to account.
* All Members will contribute their knowledge, professional time and influence to ensure that learning is disseminated within their agency.

#### Membership

* IOW Council’s Children’s Social Care
* Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary
* Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board
* IOW NHS Trust
* IOW Youth Justice Service
* National Probation Service
* IOW Council Education and Inclusion
* Solent NHS Trust
* Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS)
* Public Health, IWC

To ensure their agency is appropriately represented at all meetings. Any member delegating attendance to another colleague, must ensure their deputy has the same decision-making authority. Any substitute should be of the same grade or one grade lower within their organisational structure.

#### Frequency of meetings

The LIG Group will meet quarterly, unless agreed with the Chair that there is insufficient business to warrant a meeting in which case with prior notice the meeting may be cancelled.

#### Quoracy

The LIG will be quorate if half of its members are present, which should include the Chair/Deputy Chair and representatives from the following organisations:

* Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary
* Isle of Wight Council - Children’s Services
* Hampshire and IOW Integrated Care Board

#### Support from the Partnership Team

* Agree the agenda with the Chair at least two weeks before the meeting
* Send the agenda and supporting papers to members one week in advance of the meeting
* Produce and send to members the meeting minutes and an action tracker one week after the meeting
* Maintain an up to date list of members and their contact details
* Organise and provide administrative support for any task and finish groups commissioned
* Provide support and guidance, in order to develop and review local processes for undertaking a review

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1. Safeguarding partners must: • identify and review serious child safeguarding cases which, in their opinion, raise issues of importance in relation to their area • commission and oversee the review of those cases if they consider it appropriate. The way in which this responsibility is divided between the lead safeguarding partners (LSPs) and their delegates is for local decision. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Please note this is the decision of the statutory safeguarding partners via the Executive. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)