



## Introduction



Welcome to the most recent edition of the HSCP newsletter. We really appreciate the information continually shared with the HSCP which contributes to raising awareness about all the multi-agency safeguarding work which is taking place every day to improve the lives of children and young people.



This newsletter details a host of activity taking place to safeguard and support children and information to support practice. Content includes a link for "The Big Ambition" which is a new national survey for children and young people, up to the age of 18, to tell the government what is important to them. The newsletter also contains information around how to support mental health, training and information available to reduce parental conflict, a new Domestic Abuse Housing Hub and information around the impact of damp and mould in houses. Learning, animations and guides to Private Fostering are also attached.

During August 23, we spent a productive afternoon with safeguarding partners across Hull engaging in discussions to enable practitioners to share their views in order to inform our feedback to DfE on the 'Working Together to Safeguarding Children' consultation. The updated version will be published in December 2023, providing guidance around how individuals and agencies need to work together to provide effective help, support and protection for children and their families.



In September 23, HSCP were invited to attend an informative conference organised by Hull Thrive. This was a really valuable opportunity to meet with colleagues to discuss how services can be developed and to hear about the work which is already taking place across Hull to support children and young people with their mental health and emotional wellbeing ([Thrive directory](#)). During summer we also welcomed the invitation to attend the HANA World Cup football tournament 2023 which was an enjoyable day meeting new people and provided the opportunity to discuss how HSCP can support future activity!

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 X account - <https://twitter.com/LSCPHull>

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Previous newsletters can be accessed via the HSCP website

## Partnership Priorities



Hull Safeguarding Children Partnership's priorities for 2023 - 2025 are:

- Priority 1: Neglect
- Priority 2: Contextual Safeguarding
- Priority 3: Multi-Agency Arrangements
- Priority 4: Domestic Abuse

The business plan for 2021 - 2023 has been updated to evidence progress that has been made and HSCP are currently working with partners to create a business plan for 2023 - 2025.

[HSCP Business Plan 2021 - 2023](#)  
[HSCP Learning Programme - 2023 - 2024](#)

## Hull City Council's Children's Services continue to improve as government lifts Improvement Notice



Children's Services in Hull are no longer under an Improvement Notice.

David Johnston OBE MP, the Minister for Children, Families and Wellbeing recently wrote to inform the local authority that the Department for Education (DfE) was lifting its Improvement .

In January 2019, the local authority was rated Inadequate following a full Ofsted inspection and subsequently Children's Services were issued with an Improvement Notice. After implementing an improvement plan and several monitoring visits from Ofsted, the service was reassessed by Ofsted to be 'Requires Improvement' in January 2023. However, the DfE Improvement Notice had continued to stay in place.

In July 2023, a DfE appointed Adviser, Caroline O'Neill, undertook a review of the children's services in Hull. Her subsequent report was overwhelmingly positive.

In the report it:

- Described the service as having a culture of supportive challenge and that the child's voice is firmly at the centre of service delivery.
- It commended the leadership in our city and commented on the corporate, political and partnership commitment to improving Children's Services.
- Highlighted the focus on performance and quality and the continuing investment in the workforce

As a result, it was recommended that the Improvement Notice be removed, and the minister agreed.

For more information around this please click on the link below:

[Hull City Council's Children's Services continue to improve as government lifts Improvement Notice - Hull CC News](#)

## Signs of Safety 2 day training.



Signs of Safety Two Day Training has now also been arranged for partner agencies. This is aimed at workers and their managers that either work directly with children, young people and their families or come across families regularly in their routine work .

This is a fantastic opportunity for us all and your involvement will be critical to ensuring we adopt a common approach in the work which we undertake.

As part of the learning, attendees will receive a Signs of Safety workbook and Learning Journal.

The two-day training will be delivered virtually Via Zoom the dates available are –

- Monday 11th & Tuesday 12th December 2023
- Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd January 2024
- Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th February 2024

How to apply:

Hull City Council Staff: Log on to OLM (Oracle Learning Management System) and enrol on the date suitable for yourself.

External to Hull City Council: Complete an Application Form and Return to:

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

## The Big Ambition - Encourage our children and young people to have their say



The Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched **The Big Ambition**, a new national survey **for children and young people up to the age of 18 to share what is important to them.**

You can make sure the government hears the voices of our children and young people by encouraging them to complete the **10 minute survey.**

Parents, carers or professionals are encouraged to support those who need additional support to complete the survey or it can be completed on behalf of younger children (under 6 years) to make sure their needs are represented too.

To access the survey click [here](#)

## Breastfeeding pink sheet



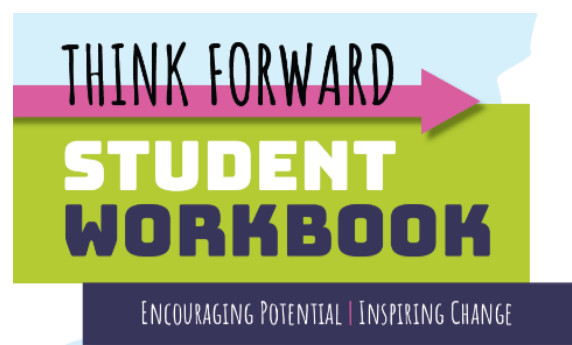
[Trust - The Pink Sheet](#)

The Pink Sheet is developed by Goodwin Development Trust's Breastfeeding Peer Support Service and has advice for mother's around peer support groups and services in the Hull, East Riding and North Lincolnshire area.

Please click on the link for more information: [Goodwin Development](#)



## Think Forward Programme



Funded through the Violence Prevention Partnership (VPP) and commissioned from the Office for Police a Crime Commissioner – (OPCC). (Youth Outreach grant). This exploitation Programme offers a framework to raise the issues and educate children and young people around safety and exploitation. Delivered by trusted adults this programme can be used with individuals and large groups with an additional impactful Virtual Reality resource for 15yrs plus age group to support and embed learning.

For more information around the Think Forward Programme please click this link: [Think Forward Programme Overview](#)

## October 10 is World Mental Health Day



Tuesday 10 October marks World Mental Health Day 2023. And the theme this year is: **Mental Health is a Universal Human Right**

World Mental Health Day is about raising awareness of mental health and driving positive change for everyone's mental health.

It's also a chance to **talk about mental health**, how we need to look after it, and how important it is to get help if you are struggling.

Help us spread the word about the importance of mental health this World Mental Health Day. Download images to share on social media or a poster to print.

- [Download a poster](#)
- [Download an Instagram post](#)
- [Download a Twitter post](#)

Get updates on what we're doing for World Mental Health Day by following the Mental Health Foundation on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [LinkedIn](#).

## Support for Families in Hull Across the First 1001 Days Family Hubs and Start for Life Programme Launch Event



As one of 75 local authorities to be selected to receive funding as part of the Family Hubs and Start for Life Programme, Hull's Early Help team hosted a multiagency event on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September at the University of Hull.

The event was attended by 130 people from across the partnership, including health visiting, the voluntary sector, social care, schools and early help staff, many of whom contributed to supporting with delivery of workshops.

The team shared the new film which was created by the First 1001 days Activity Co-ordinators and hosted workshops covering the main elements of the funding:

- Infant feeding
- Home Learning Environment
- Parent-Infant Relationship and Infant Mental Health
- Parenting
- The peer support offer across Hull
- Listening to the voices of parents and families



The new website [www.familyhubshull.org.uk](http://www.familyhubshull.org.uk) was shared, along with updates on how the children's centres are being transformed into Family Hubs across the city. This was one of a range of events the team are involved in delivering, including regional and national events and sharing best practice from across Hull.

### Reducing Parental Conflict in Hull

[Video: Reducing the impact of parental conflict why it matters to children and why it matters to services.](#)

This multi-agency Reducing Parental Conflict (RPC) training will support practitioners to identify parental conflict, start a conversation and provide support and it comes with a handy toolkit. It is suitable for Hull Practitioners supporting children and their families and particularly those working within children's social care, early help, health education and the voluntary sector.

Conflict in relationships is expressed through many different behaviours which can have an impact on families' lives. When conflict is between parents, it can have negative effects on their children's mental health and wider development.

Disagreements in relationships are normal and not necessarily problematic when resolved constructively. However, when parents are entrenched in conflict that is frequent, intense, and poorly resolved it is likely to have a negative impact on the parents and their children.

Talking about parental conflict isn't an add on, it can be part of everyday conversation about parenting and the stresses it brings in any relationship. We've all been there, if not as a parent as a child.

Where there is domestic abuse there will be an imbalance of power and one parent may feel fearful of the other. The RPC programme is aimed at conflict below the threshold of domestic abuse.



[Understanding Parental Conflict and Its Impact on Child Outcomes – E – Learning 45 min \( Enrol via Oracle or contact Learning & Development, Brunswick House, Strand Close, Beverley Road HU2 9DB \[learninganddevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk\]\(mailto:learninganddevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk\)\)](#)

Parental conflict is a primary influence on children's outcomes. In this introductory course you'll gain a greater awareness of what is meant by parental conflict and why it matters. You'll explore the couple relationship in more detail and learn about the significant impact that a poor-quality couple relationship can have on child outcomes. You'll also develop an understanding of parental conflict and develop the skills to recognise and identify the impact on children.

This course will cover:

- Introduction to parental conflict evidence base
- Understanding relationship dynamics and stressors
- Understanding and recognising parental conflict
- The impact on children and early involvement

[Reducing Parental Conflict Toolkit \(classroom\) 3.5 hours \(must have completed the above course as a prerequisite to this one. \(Enrol via Oracle or contact Learning & Development, Brunswick House, Strand Close, Beverley Road HU2 9DB \[learninganddevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk\]\(mailto:learninganddevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk\)\)](#)

This course will cover:

- To understand parental conflict and what the research says about its impact on family functioning and outcomes for both adults and children.
- To recognise how children are specifically affected in the short and long term.
- To recognise that there is a difference between domestic abuse and parental conflict.
- To feel confident about embedding couple relationship quality curiosity into everyday practice.
- To become familiar with the with Amity Relationship toolkit and its contents
- To understand some of the of tools, strategies, and activities, the pre and post support self-reporting questionnaire and how to use these within the context of parental conflict/individual support.

[Reducing Parental Conflict: The Role of Supervisors and Managers \(E learning via Oracle or contact Learning & Development, Brunswick House, Strand Close, Beverley Road HU2 9DB \[learninganddevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk\]\(mailto:learninganddevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk\)\)](#)

This course will cover:

- Background
- Parent conflict conversations - tools and techniques
- Addressing challenges
- Preparing for the supervisory conversation
- In this course, you'll learn about various reasons why people who work with families feel reluctant to discuss parental conflict. You'll also learn how you can help and support them in overcoming these issues. This course provides advice on how you can prepare to have supervisory conversations with your team members.

For further information contact [Lisa.Howell@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:Lisa.Howell@hullcc.gov.uk) or to book a place on the above contact Learning & Development, Brunswick House, Strand Close, Beverley Road HU2 9DB [learninganddevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:learninganddevelopment@hullcc.gov.uk)

## Vaping campaign raises awareness of risks



A new campaign targeting children and young people aims to raise awareness of unnecessary vape use.

Vapes are intended to help adults aiming to quit smoking but should not be used by anyone else. In addition to known short-term side-effects, the long-term risks of unnecessary vaping are currently unknown.

Read more [here](#)

To download and display a poster about vaping facts, copy and paste this URL link into your web browser: <http://yourls.hullcc.gov.uk/vapingposter>

## Language matters - Just Ask Us



## LANGUAGE MATTERS

This summer our fantastic **Young Voices Influencing Care (YVIC) Group** produced a short animation about language. They wanted professionals to consider some of the language they use with and about them and challenge them to think differently. They wanted to emphasise the **importance of putting relationships first** and ask professionals to use some words differently and others not at all.

YVIC members believe it is important that professionals build good relationships with young people as individuals so that they know and use the words they use to describe their individual lives and the things that are important to them. **Talk about language, it matters!**

Watch the video on [YouTube](#)

## The social worker's role within the permanent exclusion process



**Exclusion guidance** published in May 2023 was designed to provide greater protection for children with a social worker by introducing new requirements for Headteachers to inform social care colleagues of both suspension & exclusion, on the same day, and to ensure they are invited to governors' review panels. A permanent exclusion is not lawful until it has been ratified by governors.

### Key Points

- The Headteacher **should** invite you to a governor's review panel if your young person has been suspended for 15 days within a term
- The Headteacher **must** invite you to the governor's review panel if they are permanently excluded
- If these things do not happen (we have evidence that the new duties are not yet embedded in practice) either contact the Headteacher directly to ask for the review date or ask Janet Strong to follow up with the school on your behalf
- Exclusion from school is a safeguarding matter. Your attendance at this meeting is important and needs to be prioritised
- Parent and young person must also be invited and their views must be heard by governors
- If either parent or child does not wish to attend, you should gather their views before the meeting. Try to identify what helped and what hindered the young person in school. If sanctions were repeated, what was the impact of this on the young person and what support was offered? (Guidance cautions against repeated suspensions)
- Your role is to share the voice of parent and child if they are not there and to explain any mitigating circumstances to governors. The family may choose an additional advocate to represent them
- We are a trauma-informed city. All governors need to understand the impact of toxic stress on the young person's capacity for self regulation. The full stress bucket is a helpful analogy
- Governors also need to be aware of any increased risk associated with being out of school, including the impact of multiple suspensions
- Written representations must be shared with the school admin in advance so that governors can be fully prepared
- The purpose of the meeting is either to confirm or quash the permanent exclusion. You will be asked to leave the meeting whilst the decision is made
- The governors will then decide whether the exclusion is "lawful, reasonable and procedurally fair" and whether the school's behaviour policy was applied
- This review must happen within 15 school days of the Headteacher's initial decision
- Minutes of the meeting can be requested by any of the parties afterwards
- If you would appreciate support at the meeting or to prepare for it, Janet Strong can be contacted
- If the permanent exclusion is upheld, parents can insist on an Independent Review of the decision. If the parent's challenge is upheld at Independent Review, the Headteacher must consider reinstating the pupil but is not obliged to do so. The school must pay a 6k fine

Below, key quotes from the guidance - some \*shoulds but also several \*musts in this:

**Extracts from the Guidance** "Social workers can provide important information that helps the governing body understand the experiences of a pupil & their welfare." "Social workers should, as far as possible, attend the governing board meeting to share information. This should include helping to identify how the pupil's circumstances may have influenced the circumstances of the suspension or permanent exclusion & ensuring that safeguarding needs & risks & the child's welfare are taken into account." "Where a pupil has a social worker ... and they are at risk of suspension or permanent exclusion, the headteacher should inform their social worker & the pupil's parents to involve them all as early as possible in relevant conversations." "Whenever a headteacher suspends or permanently excludes a pupil they **\*must**, without delay, after their decision, also notify the social worker & the VSH if the pupil is LAC, of the period of suspension or permanent exclusion & the reason(s) for it. The information **\*must** be provided in writing to the LA."

## Private Fostering

Are you looking after someone else's child?



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 also have a 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 have

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)



also included the Local Authorities Private Fostering animation which can be accessed by clicking the image below:



## Domestic Abuse direct lets – changes



As of 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 the domestic abuse direct lets are moving across to the Access and Wellbeing Service to be managed by the new Domestic Abuse Housing Hub. This team are responsible for providing a high quality specialist housing advice and support service specifically to individuals experiencing domestic abuse.

The team will be responsible for determining the individual housing needs of survivors of domestic abuse who are homeless, threatened with homelessness or need measures to be taken to enhance their safety within their existing home environment.

Direct lets are just one specific measure that we can take to help keep domestic abuse victims/survivors safe and this will be explored as part of the wider individual safety and support planning process with the victim/survivor by the Domestic Abuse Housing Hub.

The below guidance clarifies the new processes for area-housing team staff and how to manage existing caseloads and ongoing direct lets.

The Domestic Abuse Procedure has been updated to reflect this change.

### Approaches to the Area-housing Team

If a victim/survivor reports a domestic abuse incident either in person or via phone/email, the same initial service should be offered by the Tenancy Officer.

Initial safety planning with the victim must be carried out to ensure the immediate safety of the victim/survivor. This will include (but is not limited to):

- Establishing any immediate danger
- Are any other agencies already involved
- Identifying a safe method of contact
- Where is the perpetrator?
- Taking full details of the situation
- Reassuring the victim that what they are experiencing is not their fault and that their disclosure will remain confidential

All of the details should be inputted onto the Domestic Abuse Housing Hub (DAH) referral form and sent to [DAHUB@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:DAHUB@hullcc.gov.uk) SPOC box which will be picked up by a member of the team and contact made within one working day.

For Council tenants, The Domestic Abuse Housing Hub will be responsible for updating the Area-housing Team staff with relevant information once the survivors needs have been established. For example if they are going to be accessing emergency temporary accommodation, or if they are arranging for the use of sanctuary scheme measures to enable survivors to remain in their own homes.

### Ongoing Direct Let cases

All direct lets that are currently in the system or in the process of being written should continue to be completed by the Area-Housing Team and signed off by the relevant Housing Tenancy Manager. New direct lets from 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 will be completed by the Domestic Abuse Housing Hub and should be sent to the team via the referral process outlined above.

### Band B – Homeless in Priority Need

If the survivor makes the decision that they want to move properties as a result of the domestic abuse then they will be offered a housing options interview

and the usual process will be followed in order to award the Band B status. This gives the survivor the opportunity to bid for properties in the appropriate areas (for example in a location with their support network or somewhere that is not within close proximity of the perpetrator). Direct lets will only be used in the most extreme cases.

If there are any support needs identified by the Domestic Abuse Housing Hub, all relevant agencies will be noted on the application notes with contact details to enable the Tenancy Officer to secure assistance should tenancy problems develop.

#### Direct Lets – High Risk Domestic Abuse

For the most urgent, high risk cases it may be appropriate for the Domestic Abuse Housing Hub to complete a direct let. The Domestic Abuse Housing Hub Team Leader will make their decision taking into account the DAP/Tenancy Officer/Domestic Abuse Housing Hub Officer professional judgement. The report writing will be completed by the Hub.

#### Direct Lets – Domestic Abuse Perpetrators

Very occasionally it is appropriate to move the perpetrator rather than the victim/survivor. Due to the complexities involved and the potential repercussions of doing this, any decision to move the perpetrator should continue to be made by a Housing Tenancy Manager and a Practice Manager with advice from the Domestic Abuse Housing Hub. The area-housing team remains responsible for completing these direct lets. NB in the year 2022/2023 there were only 3 direct lets involving moving the perpetrator so these are a very low volume of cases.

#### Clear For Transfers

If a decision is made to award a direct let or band B for high risk domestic abuse then the applicant should not be subsequently bypassed for properties due to their behaviour or an issue that has arose from a CFT. However, a CFT should still be completed where it is safe to do so and this should be completed by the Area-Housing Team in the usual process. The Domestic Abuse Housing Hub will confirm whether it is appropriate to complete an inspection.

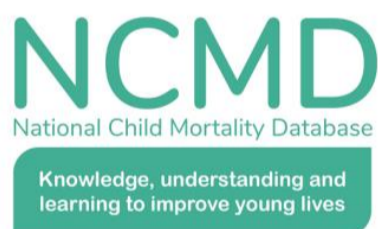
#### Contact information and details of the Domestic Abuse Housing Hub

Please contact [DAHUB@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:DAHUB@hullcc.gov.uk)

Tanya Ferguson – DA Housing Hub Team Leader  
Louisa Charlton DA Housing Hub Assistant  
Tina Fenton DA Housing Hub Officer  
Danielle Mickman DA Housing Hub Officer  
Louise Morfitt DA Housing Hub Officer  
Carol Stansfield DA Housing Hub Officer

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## NCMD thematic review of vulnerability, which increases the risk of poor outcomes, in infants



A new report from National Child Mortality Database (NCMD) Honorary Senior Public Health Specialist Dr Helen Duncan has been published; this thematic review of vulnerability, which increases the risk of poor outcomes, in infants takes a look at the factors that make infants vulnerable to sudden, unexpected and unexplained death, building on the findings of NCMD thematic report [Sudden and Unexpected Deaths in Infancy and Childhood](#).

Records from the NCMD were identified for infants, aged from 3 months to less than 1 year, who died suddenly and unexpectedly during 2019/20 and for whom the death was unexplained when the investigation into their death was complete. The report aims to describe and evaluate the factors which may increase the vulnerability of infants to this kind of death, examining pre-existing risk factors in the child, their family or their social or physical environment, which make them more vulnerable than average to poor outcomes or harm.

#### Key findings in brief

- 1% of cases had at least one vulnerability factor identified from among clinical, statutory, family or social and environmental vulnerability factors.
- The most commonly occurring clinical vulnerability factors include an underlying health condition (60.9%) and the infant being described by their parents or carers as unwell on the day of death (50.0%). Over a third of cases identify smoking in pregnancy (39.1%), a recent illness (39.1%) and prematurity (37.5%).
- More than four in ten cases are known to social services (statutory domain) (43.8%), either previously or currently.
- The most commonly occurring family or social vulnerability factors, identified in over half of cases, are:
  - smoking in either parent (62.5%),
  - mother smoking (51.6%)
  - father smoking (51.6%)
  - poor mental health in either parent (56.2%)
  - poor mental health in mother (50.0%)
- Over a third of cases identified previous domestic abuse (not directly related to the death) (40.6%) and smoking in both parents (39.1%).



- Drug misuse and alcohol misuse have been identified as separate issues; recorded for either parent they are identified in over a quarter of cases (26.6% and 26.6% respectively).
- The most common occurring environmental vulnerability factor, identified in over three quarters of cases, is not necessarily following advice and guidance on safe sleeping (78.1%) and, identified in over half of cases, co-sleeping (51.6%). In 15.6% of cases the co-sleeping was unplanned, and the carer was under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Over a third of cases identify poor home environment (45.3%) and carer under the influence of alcohol or drugs (39.1%).

Hull Child Death Review partners and designated professionals will be considering the review's results and recommendations with their group meetings.

#### [A thematic review of vulnerability - September 2023](#)

### Condensation, damp and mould

Many of you will be aware of the coroners finding into the Rochdale Housing case around the impact of damp or 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.

For more information on how to prevent Damp/Mould/Condensation please see the below video and [this booklet](#) that gives some basic information about the different types of damp that may affect homes.



Please click on the image above to access video

### Look Closer Campaign



#LookCloser is a partnership campaign between The Children's Society, the National County Lines Co-ordination Centre and the British Transport Police aiming to raise awareness of child exploitation and abuse and to encourage the public and businesses to better identify and report concerns. The campaign also seeks to challenge assumptions and victim stereotypes, highlighting that child exploitation can happen anywhere, and any young person can be a victim.

In response to increasing demand and to make sessions more accessible to some audiences, our new Programme of Learning will now include events taking place all year round.

Please see attached the current Programme of Learning events where you can sign up for events taking place between September and December 2023 and all free of charge. New events scheduled for 2024 will be added in due course and

circulated in the coming months.

The next #LookCloser campaign week of action also begins Monday 9th October 2023, more information will be provided soon or please get in touch with us via the email below.

For more information please visit the #Look Closer website at <https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-we-do/our-work/child-criminal-exploitation-and-county-lines/spotting-signs>



## Hull Fair 2023



Hull Fair is once again visiting the city from Friday 6 to Saturday 14 October, based on Walton Street and the surrounding area the fair is a massive Hull tradition with people attending from right across the country.

Whilst attending the fair the Local Authority events team ask that you consider the following:

- Getting there** – the fair has a comprehensive public transport network with buses running from across the city and the Park and Ride hubs to and from the fair please try and use them where possible as parking in the area is restricted.
- Only take what you need with you** – whilst the events team manage to reunite most lost property at the fair with its owners it's always better to keep your possessions safe, put things like car keys and mobile phones in zipped pockets and if you take your bank card please make sure you keep it in a safe place.

The fair has two sites that offer welfare this includes Lost Children, mobile phone charging, baby changing and a place of safety and quiet for some of our more vulnerable residents. If you are taking children or vulnerable adults to the fair please make them aware that these facilities are there should they need them and if you are taking children it's always a good idea to pop your contact details in their pocket should you become separated from them.

Familiarise yourself with site, Hull fair can look very different once it gets dark agree a meeting place with loved ones and ensure you take your group with you when you set off to the next ride.

Most of all enjoy yourselves.

## Fostering in Hull



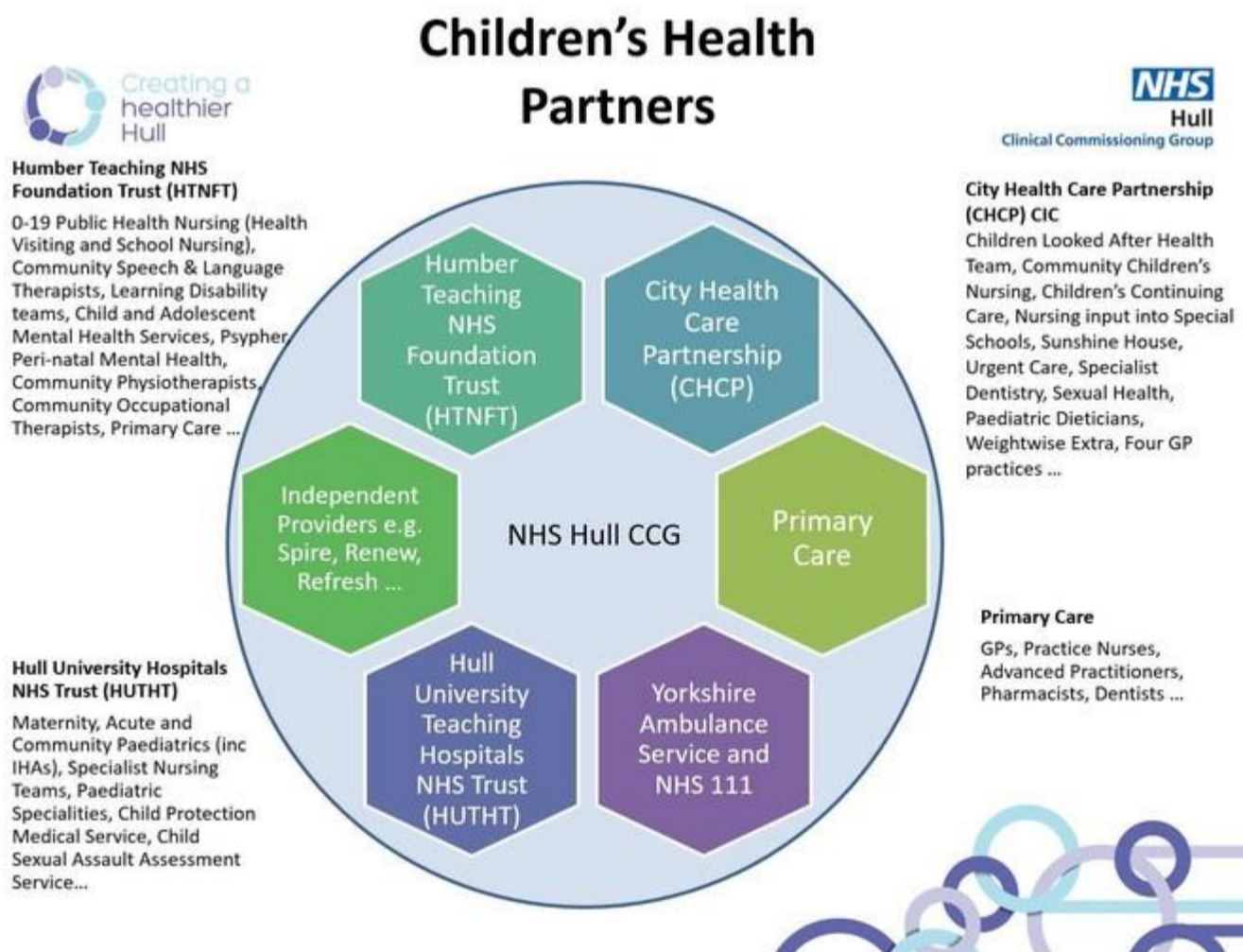
[Interested in Fostering in Hull? Any of Us Could Foster, Get In Touch With Hull Fostering - YouTube](#)

Whether you have been thinking of fostering for some time, or would love to foster but wonder whether you are cut out for a life of fostering, this video Any Of Us shows the diverse community of foster carers we have in Hull.

Hull Fostering are looking for foster carers with a variety of life experience to join our fostering community that could help and support our children and young people. So whether you work, do not work, live on your own, rent or have a young family, there is a place for you in Hull Fostering.

To find out more about fostering in Hull, please visit [www.hullfostering.co.uk](http://www.hullfostering.co.uk).

## Overview Of Health Partners Within Hull And Key Contacts



## EHASH Numbers



**Worried about the safety of a child in your neighbourhood?**

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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