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SLSCB Members	Title	Representing	Other Interests: Stockton-on-Tees or Tees Valley Partnerships, Boards, Group etc. (Ch. denotes Chair, VCh Vice-Chair)	  Apols
Colin Morris (CM)	LSCB Independent Chair	SLSCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LSCB and SSAB Chair Sunderland LSCB Chair Newcastle 	
Pauline Beall (PB)	Business Manager		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MALAP (Multi Agency Looked After Partnership) Stockton VCSE Safeguarding Forum 	
Lesley Cooke (LC)	Lay Member		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eastern Ravens Trust 	
Vacancy	Lay Member			
Jane Humphreys (JH)	Corporate Director of Children, Education & Social Care (CESC)	Local Authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CCG Stockton Locality Board Member Hartlepool & Stockton CCG Board Member Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) HWB Adult Partnership HWB Children's Partnership SMB – Public Protection Tees Adult Safeguarding Board Safer Stockton Partnership 	
Peter Kelly (PK)	Director of Public Health		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) HWB Adult Partnership HWB Children's Partnership Adult's Joint HWB Commissioning Group Children's Joint HWB Commissioning Group Tees Adult Safeguarding Board Safer Stockton Partnership Tees VEMT Strategic Group 	
Liz Hanley (LH)	Adult Services Lead		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group Learning Disabilities Partnership (Ch.) Stockton Local Executive Group Adult Safeguarding 	Apols
Diane McConnell (DM)	Head of Schools and SEN		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAF Board Convener of the Safeguarding Forum for Education Settings 	
Shaun McLurg (SM)	Head of Safeguarding and Looked After Children / Chair Tees LSCB's Procedures Group / Chair SLSCB VEMT Sub-Group		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children & Young People Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group Spark of Genius Children's Homes 	
Julie Nixon (JN)	Head of Housing & Community Protection		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HWB Adult Partnership HWB Children's Partnership Tees Adult Safeguarding Board Safer Stockton Partnership SBC Adult Social Care Programme Board 	
Simon Willson (SW)	SBC CESC Head of Business Support & Improvement / Chair Performance Sub-Group		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MALAP (Multi Agency Looked After Partnership) (Ch.) (pending new Chair to be determined as part of implementation of CESC Children's Review) 	
Cllr Ann McCoy (AM)	Lead Cabinet Member - Children and Young People (Participating Observer)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governor Tees, Esk & Wear Valley NHS FT 	Apols
Neil Schneider (NS)	Chief Executive (Participating Observer)			Apols
Elisa Arnold (EA)	Service Manager	CAFCASS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Redcar and Cleveland LSCB Local Family Justice Board Able to feed in national changes within the Family Justice Service 	Apols

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Alastair Simpson (AS)	Detective Superintendent / Chair LIPSG	Cleveland Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Redcar SCB (Full board, Exec and LIPSG) Middlesbrough SCB (Full board and LIPSG) Hartlepool SCB (Full board, Exec and LIPSG) Teeswide Safeguarding Adults Board Tees LSCBs Strategic VEMT Group MAPPA SMB MASH Strategic Management Board (N Tees) CDOP 	Apols
Alex Taylor (AT)	Head Teacher Independent Schools	Education Establishments		✓
Clare Humble (CH)	Head Teacher Secondary Schools		<i>No other interests</i>	Apols
Kerry Coe (KC)	Head Teacher Primary Schools		<i>No other interests</i>	Apols
Joanna Bailey (JB)	Principal Stockton Sixth Form College		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governor at Thornaby Academy Governor at The Grangefield Academy Campus Stockton Teaching Alliance 14-19 Partnership, Campus Stockton CPD Group Campus Stockton R&D Group Secondary Heads Group 	Apols
Vacancy	SBC Chief Advisor School Effectiveness			
Jean Golightly (JG)	Executive Nurse	Hartlepool & Stockton Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> South Tees CCG (Exec Nurse) Teeswide Safeguarding Adults Board Member of NHSE Quality Surveillance Group meeting 	Apols
Trina Holcroft (TH)	Designated Nurse, Safeguarding Children & LAC			✓
Kailash Agrawal (KA)	Designated Doctor <i>Advisor to the Board</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Middlesbrough LSCB Redcar and Cleveland LSCB NT&HFT Safeguarding Steering Group Teesside Designated Doctors Group (Ch.) 	Apols
Bev Walker (BW)	Deputy Director of Nursing, Quality and Safety	NHS England (Cumbria & North East)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tees Strategic VEMT Group Middlesbrough LSCB Redcar and Cleveland LSCB Hartlepool LSCB Durham LSCB Darlington LSCB Teeswide Safeguarding Adults Board Durham Safeguarding Adults Board Darlington Safeguarding Adults Board NHS England CSE Sub-Group NHS England Regional Safeguarding Forum 	Apols
Lindsey Robertson (LR)	Professional Lead Nurse, Out of Hospital Care	North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust (NTHFT)		Apols
Elizabeth Moody (EM)	Executive Director of Nursing and Governance	Tees, Esk & Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust (TEWV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teeswide Adult Safeguarding Board North Yorkshire Adult Safeguarding Board North Yorkshire Children's Safeguarding Board (Member of other safeguarding boards but send deputies on regular basis) 	✓

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Julie Allan (JA)	Head of Cleveland Area – National Probation Service (NE)	Probation Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Middlesbrough LSCB • Redcar and Cleveland LSCB • Hartlepool LSCB • South Tees YOS • Stockton YOS • Hartlepool YOS • YOS Management Board • LCJB • Local Public Service Board • Teeswide Safeguarding Adults Board • Tees Adult Health and Wellbeing Board • Strategic DV and Abuse Strategic Group • Contest Gold • Stockton Scanning and Challenge • ETE/OSE Board • Tees Strategic VEMT Group 	
Barbara Gill (BG)	Head of Offender Services - Community Rehabilitation Company			Apols
Julie McNaughton (JM)	Accommodation Contracts Manager	Thirteen / Housing Provider	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tees Valley Choice Based Lettings Steering Group • My Sisters Place – Board • North East Homelessness Group 	Apols
Steve Rose (SR)	Chief Executive Officer Catalyst	Voluntary Sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safer Stockton Partnership • Stockton 14-19 Partnership • Stockton Carers Implementation Group • Stockton Health & Wellbeing Partnership • Stockton VCSE Senior Leaders Forum • Stockton Voice • Stockton Youth Offenders Service Board • Tees Dementia Collaborative • Tees Valley Local Development Agencies Forum • Tees Valley Unlimited European Social Inclusion Task & Finish Group 	

Guests:

Margaret Whellans (MW)	SBC - Interim Head of Early Help, Part. & Planning	
David Willingham (DW)	SBC - Youth Direction Manager	For item 4a
Martin Gray (MG)	SBC - Incoming Head of Early Help, Part. & Planning	Observer
Simon Walker (SWa)	Police - Detective Inspector	Sub for Alastair Simpson
Shane Sellers (SS)	Police - Project Lead, Operation Encompass	For item 3
John Bye (JBy)	CCG - Named GP	Observer
Rachael McLoughlin (RM)	NTHFT - Acting Named Nurse	Sub for Lindsey Robertson
Karen Agar (KAg)	TEWV - Associate Director of Nursing (Safeguarding)	

Minute-Taker:

Gary Woods - SLSCB Business Support Officer

Meeting Quorate:

Yes

Declarations of Interest:

None

Ref No. 1	Attendance, Apologies & Quoracy
Discussion	SWa was in attendance as the substitute for AS , and RM was in attendance as the substitute for LR . JBy was introduced as the new Named GP for HAST CCG, and was present in an observational capacity - due to limited availability he is not anticipating being a Board attendee.
Agreement/ Outcome	Noted.

Ref No. 2	Action Log (In Progress / To do)			
<i>Discussion</i>	<p>CM referred to the SLSCB Action Log which had been circulated at the meeting for information. Updates were given as follows:</p> <p>23/8/1415: 'School Nurse Programme evaluation report to be presented at end of pilot' (LW/LR) – item deferred until the December 2015 Board meeting (see agenda item 12).</p> <p>16/04/1516: 'Ask Tees DCS group if the ACPO and Home Office/Department of Education letters are being acted upon, with updates for the next Board meeting' (JH) – this has been raised with the Tees DCS group, with AS now leading on a piece of work following discussions with JH.</p> <p>20/05/1516: 'Produce a staff briefing document regarding the ongoing work in relation to the Early Help Strategy' (LR) – no longer required following developments (see item 4b).</p> <p>28/05/1516: 'Refer updated discussion around disclosures to MAPPA Strategic Management Board for comment' (AS) – no updates received as yet, so PB will liaise with AS.</p> <p>35/07/1516: 'Send a letter requesting further information around the identified Tees CDOP Annual Report 2014-2015 child death statistics to the Tees CDOP Chair' (PK) – this has been raised with the Tees CDOP Chair (Toks Sangowawa), and PK will follow this up.</p> <p>38/07/1516: 'Leads for each key theme to carry out scoping on intended areas of focus, and give updates at the next Board meeting in August 2015' (Key Theme Leads) – CH and LR to present their draft scoping documents at the November 2015 Board meeting. SW had also produced two additional scoping documents regarding agency attendance at conferences – these will be presented to Board once finalised.</p> <p>61/09/1516: 'Acknowledge links to Thirteen (Housing Provider) in the S11 Audit 2014-2015 from Housing and Community Protection via an appropriate addition' (JN) – due to Thirteen being a separate entity, and noting that they report to the Board themselves, JN felt uncomfortable incorporating links to Thirteen in the Housing and Community Protection audit. It was agreed, however, that acknowledgement of broad links with this Housing provider, including private landlords, needed to be added – JN to amend as appropriate.</p> <p>63/09/1516: 'Arrange for Dr Paul Williams to liaise with SR re. the work of the Young Inspectors group feeding into the SLSCBs Voice of the Child thematic work' (JG) - no updates received as yet, so PB will liaise with JG.</p> <p>66/09/1516: 'Raise the issue of Tees CDOP funding at the next Redcar & Cleveland LSCB meeting' (JG) – Redcar & Cleveland LSCB Business Manager stated this was not raised at their last Board meeting, though TH did mention it at a recent Tees CDOP meeting. Board members agreed the following approach: 1) a letter to be sent to the Redcar & Cleveland LSCB Chair (Jan Van Wagtendonk) and Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council Director of Adult and Children's Services (Barbara Shaw) to address this issue, noting that the current financial arrangements expire at the end of March 2016; 2) PK to also pick this up with the Tees CDOP Chair (Toks Sangowawa).</p>			
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Noted the content of Action Log and subsequent updates given.			
<i>Log Ref</i>	<i>Mtg Date</i>	<i>Action Required</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>Due Date</i>
69/10/1516	15.10.15	Letter to be sent to Redcar & Cleveland LSCB Chair and Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council Director of Adult and Children's Services to address Tees CDOP funding issues.	CM/PB	30.10.15
70/10/1516	15.10.15	Raise the issue of Tees CDOP funding with the Tees CDOP Chair.	PK	19.11.15

Ref No. 3	Operation Encompass
Discussion	<p>SS gave a presentation to Board members on Operation Encompass, a partnership approach to give early notification to schools that a child or young person has been present, witnessed or was involved in a domestic abuse incident. Nominated 'Key Adults' within local schools will receive information from Cleveland Police to afford them the opportunity of assessing the needs of the child or young person during the school day to ensure they can continue to learn in a safe, secure and supportive environment.</p> <p>Key points to note regarding the development of Operation Encompass included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commenced on 11th February 2015 after a conversation between Elisabeth Carney-Howarth (Head Teacher) and David Carney-Haworth (Retired Police Sergeant from Devon and Cornwall Police). • To address the early sharing of domestic abuse information between the Police and schools. • Implemented in 94 schools in Plymouth. Each school identified 'Key Adults' who the police would contact to share information. • Has spread to other areas of the country such as Cheshire, Merseyside and Northumbria. Interest has been sought from Canada, America, Australia and New Zealand. • Serious case reviews have identified a constant failure by agencies to share information, particularly with schools, regarding incidents of domestic abuse. Operation Encompass was developed to fill this gap and has been implemented in other areas of the United Kingdom with a great deal of success. • Operation Encompass was launched in Hartlepool on the 1st April 2015. Immediately sought to broaden the original concept of this initiative by including private nurseries and health visitors, and, since its implementation, a significant number of children and young people have benefitted from early intervention support. Launched in Middlesbrough and Redcar & Cleveland on the 1st October 2015. • Sarah Smith, the Operation Encompass Domestic Abuse Officer, will be the responsible officer for sharing information between Police and schools in Stockton following the implementation of the Multi-Agency Children's Hub (MACH). <p>SS noted evidence linking major sporting events with increased levels of domestic abuse. In addition, the age threshold for domestic abuse incidents has been lowered from 18 to 16 years-old – this has an impact on the potential for perpetrators to also be victims and vice-versa. Although private nurseries are included in this initiative, the issue of how pre-school children who do not access a nursery are captured should they experience domestic abuse was raised, along with those young children who go to a privately-funded nursery, and who the Local Authority may not be aware of – work is ongoing in relation to this.</p> <p>LC queried if there were any follow-up routes for children not attending school the next day following a domestic abuse incident – assurance was given that the Police liaise with schools following such incidents, and identify the kinds of provisions the school have made in light of this.</p> <p>Regarding the statistical information quoted in the presentation, no comparable data was currently available. However, SM felt the statistics appeared quite low, particularly in light of the ongoing dialogue with the Police regarding inappropriate referrals to Social Care in relation to domestic abuse. Issues around the definitions of what constitutes a domestic abuse incident were noted, along with the need for clarity on referral criteria.</p> <p>PK asked for clarity regarding school holiday arrangements – although Plymouth provide this initiative during term-time, Hartlepool schools wanted the sharing of information all year round. Independent schools are included in this initiative, though it was noted that such schools also take non-Cleveland based students – only those children living in Cleveland are currently covered in local information sharing, but further discussions will be taking place around this.</p>

	<p>JA asked what information parents get in relation to domestic abuse incidents, as there seemed to be the potential for some aggression to be directed towards schools. However, no evidence of parental issues with this initiative has been seen thus far.</p> <p>SM raised the issue of consent, and how the Police are sharing information with schools if a case does not meet the threshold for Social Care. In response, it was noted that the Police have a responsibility to provide support in line with the Children’s Act, and that in some cases, information is already provided to Health directly from the Police.</p> <p>Roll-out of Operation Encompass in Stockton schools will take place at the beginning of January 2016.</p> <p>CM thanked SS for a very informative presentation which had provoked positive debate.</p>
<p>Agreement/ Outcome</p>	<p>Operation Encompass background noted, along with proposals for the Stockton launch.</p>

<p>Ref No. 4</p>	<p>Troubled Families Outcomes Plan; Early Help Proposal & Update</p>
<p>Discussion</p>	<p>a) <u>Troubled Families Outcomes Plan</u></p> <p>DW gave an overview of the circulated Stockton-on-Tees Troubled Families Outcome Plan, noting that the key strategic driver for the Troubled Families Phase 2 delivery within Stockton-on-Tees is the Early Help and Prevention Strategy. This strategy has been agreed by the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Local Safeguarding Children Board representing a shared commitment to the co-ordination of support to children, young people and their families across the borough.</p> <p>The Phase 2 identification of troubled families was highlighted, along with the six identification (family problem) indicators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children who need help • Families affected by domestic violence and abuse • Parents and children with a range of health problems • Children who have not been attending school regularly • Parents and children involved in crime and ASB • Adults out of work or at risk of financial exclusion and YP at risk of worklessness <p>To be included in the Troubled Families Programme, families must demonstrate at least two of the indicators listed above. The current provider is commissioned until May 2016 – two seconded Department of Work & Pensions (DWP) staff are based in Local Authority buildings, with access to DWP data. Stockton is the only Local Authority who commission services out, and this arrangement will be examined in light of the work around Early Help. At the end of November 2015, the next spending review will determine if there is more money available for this programme.</p> <p>CM queried if Board members were sufficiently aware of the Troubled Families Programme. DW advised that a presentation is due to be made at forthcoming Children and Young People Partnership and Health and Wellbeing Board meetings to address some dissemination and awareness raising issues around knowledge of the programme. A Troubled Families Board with multi-agency representation is in place, and is well attended, although there is no representative from TEWV currently – the invitation to join the Board will be re-issued as more Health representation is desirable.</p> <p>The financial value attached to the Trouble Families Programme was also highlighted – a service transformation grant payment for each family involved is made, including an additional payment when outcomes are achieved.</p>

<p>To give further background and context to the Troubled Families Programme, DW agreed to provide the SLSCB Business Unit with information on Phase 1 of the plan for circulation to Board members.</p>				
<p>b) <u>Early Help Proposal & Update</u> JH referred to the circulated report on the Early Help Proposal – this had also been presented to the Children and Young People’s Partnership in September 2015. Following on from the Early Help & Prevention Strategy, progress to date was highlighted, including the establishment of a multi-agency implementation group which reports directly to JH on a monthly basis via a Project Team.</p> <p>Options for consideration based on the Essex model (where representatives from the Stockton implementation group visited and met with key staff) were listed in the report in order to generate new ways of working to support targeted Early Help in Stockton-on-Tees.</p> <p>The proposed model will build on and ensure effective links with the MACH and other local partnerships, for example the Police led Joint Action Groups (JAGs) where local families with complex issues are identified and packages of support established to improve outcomes. In addition, strong links will be made to the work undertaken through the Community Safety Partnership and the Troubled Families Programme. A number of other key areas for consideration were noted which were required to underpin the proposal’s success.</p> <p>A multi-disciplinary/agency Early Help Team/Panel is intended to be in place by January 2016, led by Jill Anderson (SBC Service Manager – Early Help), with responsibility to receive referrals from the MACH, including information relating to the family. Work is already underway to establish a Families Services Directory, similar to the current Adult Services Directory, and this will be launched once finalised. In addition, Essex has seen the importance of having a helpline available to practitioners and professionals, particularly outside normal working hours. Consideration has been given to this and a recent job advert for a Family Support Worker has been adjusted to accommodate out-of-hours working.</p> <p>An Early Help & Prevention Strategy – Action Plan was also included in the report. Findings from Early Help Peer Review will be linked to this Action Plan once the final draft report is received. An important item to note following discussion at the CAF Board was the move away from the term ‘CAF’, with ‘Early Help’ terminology to be used instead – this change of approach will be relayed in the forthcoming Staff Briefings, and needs to be communicated to all partners so staff understand what they are doing. In addition, a revised Performance Framework document will demonstrate the impact that Early Help is having, and needs to be visible to all agencies.</p>				
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>		Reports and updates noted.		
<i>Log Ref</i>	<i>Mtg Date</i>	<i>Action Required</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>Due Date</i>
71/10/1516	15.10.15	Forward Troubled Families Phase 1 information to Board members to give further context to the Phase 2 discussion held at this meeting.	DW/Business Unit	30.10.15

Ref No. 5	Tees E-Safety Report
<i>Discussion</i>	<p>PB gave an overview of the circulated Teeswide eSafety Group Update Report to the Tees Local Safeguarding Children Board’s, providing information on the work undertaken by the group during 2014-2015. Terms of Reference and the Work Programme were included.</p> <p>A key feature emerging from the report was a view that the group needed more robust structural and governance arrangements, with a clearer focus (three of the four Tees LSCB Business Managers did not think the group was a good use of time). In addition, if it was to continue, should it be a stand-alone group or should it be a sub-group of the Tees Stra-</p>

	<p>tegic VEMT Group? Board members expressed concern that as a sub-group of Tees Strategic VEMT Group, it may become too focused on child sexual exploitation (CSE) to the detriment of other issues such as bullying and radicalisation. SM noted that at the last Tees Strategic VEMT Group meeting, AS (Chair) acknowledged that the remit of the eSafety group was significantly wider than just CSE, and felt the group should continue. From a school's perspective, AT advised of the ongoing issues within school's around cyber-bullying and sexting, and felt that adequate tools to address these had yet to be developed as technology continues to change.</p> <p>In relation to the report's recommendations, Board members agreed to the continuation of the Teeswide eSafety Group, and felt the Tees Strategic VEMT Group needed to have a discussion regarding how and by whom the group is chaired – should this person be a member of VEMT? In terms of eSafety membership, DM would provide a replacement for Ian Ithurralde (SBC Education) who had now left the Council. Board members also urged caution over the potential for the group's work to become CSE-dominated, and advocated the involvement of young people in the work of the group if appropriate ways can be found.</p>
Agreement/ Outcome	SLSCB agreed to the continuation of the Teeswide eSafety Group, with future structural arrangements to be decided by the Tees Strategic VEMT Group.

Ref No. 6	Residential Children's Homes in Stockton
Discussion	Due to the update regarding Residential Children's Homes in Stockton being unavailable, this item would be deferred until the Board meeting in November 2015.
Agreement/ Outcome	Residential Children's Homes in Stockton update to be deferred until the Board meeting in November 2015.

Ref No. 7	Children's Social Care Audits (including CSE)
Discussion	Following recent discussions around the reporting on Children's Social Care Audits (including CSE), it has been decided to undertake these in a different way to previous audits, and to present them in a different format. This item was therefore deferred until the Board meeting in November 2015.
Agreement/ Outcome	Children's Social Care Audits (including CSE) item to be deferred until the Board meeting in November 2015.

Ref No. 8	Scoping Update for Thematic Improvement Areas from Lead Board Members
Discussion	<p><u>Managing parents / carers challenging behaviours / culture of optimism & Involvement of all adults living in the household</u> As CH was not present at this meeting, consideration of the outline scoping document for this key theme was deferred until the next Board meeting in November 2015.</p> <p><u>Neglect: awareness, identification and response</u> As LR was not present at this meeting, consideration of the outline scoping document for this key theme was deferred until the next Board meeting in November 2015.</p> <p>PB advised that meetings were being arranged by LR to take this forward.</p>
Agreement/ Outcome	Updates noted.

Ref No. 9	Published Annual Health Safeguarding Reports
Discussion	<p>a) <u>NTHFT Annual Report 2014 / 2015</u> On behalf of LR who was not present at this meeting, RM presented the circulated NTHFT</p>

	<p>Annual Safeguarding Children Report: Executive Summary. The report covered governance arrangements, the work programme, key safeguarding arrangements and achievements, serious case/learning lessons reviews, audit/developments, and key priorities for 2015-2016. In response, Board members raised the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 4.4 – care is required around how the term ‘Children who do not attend appointments’ is worded, as this can be interpreted in different ways. • Section 5.2 – there was one Serious Case Review in Stockton in 2014 (not two). • Section 6.5 – multi-agency case file audit panels are not yet embedded in Hartlepool and Stockton LSCBs. • Section 6.14 (listed as 6.6) – the non-compliance of the 100% supervision target was noted. TH advised that changes in supervision policy had been made to ensure all staff with a caseload which includes children/unborn babies who are subject to a child protection plan or a child in need plan receive, as a minimum, 1:1 safeguarding children supervision every 3 months. • No mention of FGM within the report – this is a serious issue so needs to be acknowledged, even if no evidence of this has yet been seen or reported. <p>CM expressed some surprise at the lack of references to CAF in the list of key priorities for 2015-2016, particularly in light of concerns that had been previously raised at the LSCB and the subsequent escalation of this issue to the Chief Executive of NTHFT. Assurance around the commitment to CAF, and the provision of appropriate training in relation to this process, was required.</p>
	<p>b) TEWV FT Annual Report 2014 / 2015 KAg presented the circulated TEWV Annual Assurance Report of the Safeguarding Children Group for 2014-2015. The report included key issues/developments since the last report, the annual work plan, Serious Case Review update, Corporate team key performance indicators monitoring, policy/procedural compliance and monitoring, horizon scanning – national or regional reports/guidance/alerts, and exceptions/risks/concerns reported. Board member observations were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 5 – Stockton Serious Case Review not included (there was one SCR in 2014). • Section 6 (supervision) – supervision data needs clarification, particularly in light of the Teesside percentage of supervisions held within 3 months (74%) compared with North Yorkshire (100%). • Section 6 (LADO) – surprise expressed that TEWV had only one LADO case across the reporting year. TEWV looking at LADO processes in light of this very low number.
<p>Agreement/ Outcome</p>	<p>Reports noted and discussed.</p>

<p>Ref No. 10</p>	<p>SLSCB Finance Report April – September 2015</p>
<p>Discussion</p>	<p>PB referred to the circulated SLSCB Income & Expenditure Report for April – September 2015, noting that there are no identified pressures at the current time. E-learning membership costs were queried – the ongoing e-learning provision, administered by the SLSCB Business Unit, was subsequently explained.</p> <p>Board members were advised that in November 2015, a multi-agency training report will be presented which will raise concerns around the current funding arrangements. In addition, PB proposed that some SLSCB funds be used to support progression of the Graded Care Profile. Letters regarding 2016-2017 funding for the SLSCB will also be sent out to partner agencies in the near future.</p>
<p>Agreement/ Outcome</p>	<p>SLSCB Income & Expenditure for April – September 2015 noted.</p>

Ref No. 11	Performance Data Set – Scorecard Model
<i>Discussion</i>	<p>With reference to the SLSCB Performance Data Set, SW had recently met with Ian Coxon (SBC Head of Transactional Services) to discuss ways of making the current data set more useful to the Board. To progress this further, Board members were split into four groups to analyse the existing SLSCB Data Items (circulated at this meeting), and asked to prioritise the 10 most important items for the Board in order to keep children safe. In addition, Board members were asked to identify any gaps which they felt existed in the current data set – some of these included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality of practice measure (linked to case file audits). • Risk assessment factors (for cases referred) – more refined intelligence and identification of trends. • Overlay of the wider context – children with free school meals, Operation Encompass, children in poverty/workless households. • Voice of the child. • Children with additional complex needs. <p>The intention is for the future data set to be comprised of three layers – 1) an at-a-glance indicator risk summary (are key indicators getting better or worse), including brief commentary; 2) A4 page summary; 3) Data Set.</p> <p>SW would feed the outcomes of the group work at this meeting into the forthcoming Performance Sub-Group meeting on the 19th October 2015 for further discussion. Board members were also reminded of the ongoing Tees Valley Data Set developments which may impact upon future priorities.</p>
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Current SLSCB Data Set items considered, with future priorities proposed, and gaps in the existing data set identified. Further consideration of data set development to take place at the SLSCB Performance Sub-Group, taking into account of the group work at this meeting.

Ref No. 12	School Nurse Programme – Evaluation Report
<i>Discussion</i>	As LR was not present at this meeting, consideration of the School Nurse Programme – Evaluation Report was deferred until the Board meeting in December 2015.
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	School Nurse Programme – Evaluation Report to be deferred until the Board meeting in December 2015.

Ref No. 13	Partners Operational Safeguarding Issues
<i>Discussion</i>	<p><u>Local Authority</u> PK asked if information needed to come to the Board regarding the recent NHS England neonatal review – agreed that some form of briefing would be useful in the near future.</p>
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Briefing regarding the recent NHS England neonatal review to come to the Board at a future meeting.

Ref No. 14	MACH (Multi-Agency Children’s Hub) - The Hub Update
<i>Discussion</i>	<p>JH advised that a delicate point had been reached in terms of the Multi-Agency Children’s Hub (MACH) development. Although it has been agreed what the MACH will look like and which partners will be involved, it will cost more than the current resources available. As such, attempts are being made to identify the likely shortfall, and an extraordinary meeting was convened earlier this week asking if partners could contribute (confirmation required by the 2nd November 2015).</p> <p>Aside from the above, all work in relation to the MACH is progressing, with the intended</p>

	launch date remaining the 1 st April 2016. A MACH presentation will be made to Board members at a future Board meeting.
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Updates noted.

Ref No. 15	Early Help Peer Review
<i>Discussion</i>	JH thanked all who were involved in the recent Early Help Peer Review, and advised that a Tees overview report will be followed by more Stockton-specific feedback. Available reports will be presented to Board members at the next Board meeting in November 2015, with any recommendations to be put together into an improvement plan.
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Updates noted.

Ref No. 16	17.09.15 Board Minutes for Accuracy
<i>Discussion</i>	<p>Minutes of the Board meeting held on the 17th September 2015 were agreed as a true record, subject to the following minor amendment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ref No. 6 (Published Annual Health Safeguarding Reports) – replace references to SR (Dr Williams to contact SR) with JB, including in the Log Ref item. <p>Ref No. 5: ‘Operational Annual Assurance Reports 2014 / 2015 (a) Children Missing Education)’ – DM confirmed that the 17 outstanding cases in relation to the 233 pupil referrals made have now been resolved.</p> <p>Ref No. 11: ‘20.08.15 Board Minutes for Accuracy (Ref No. 13: ‘Staff Drop-Ins)’ – Board members were asked to ensure the previously circulated Lessons Learned from SCR flyers were appropriately disseminated within their organisations. The SLSCB email bulletin also needs to be circulated where necessary – the Board may need to carry out some form of checks to ensure this is taking place.</p>
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	The minutes of the Board meeting held on the 17 th September 2015 be recorded as ratified, subject to the identified minor amendment.

Ref No. 17	Tees LSCBs VEMT Strategic Group
<i>Discussion</i>	AS was not present at this meeting, so no report was available.
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Noted.

Ref No. 18	SLSCB VEMT Sub-Group
<i>Discussion</i>	No report available this month – next meeting scheduled for the 23 rd November 2015.
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Noted.

Ref No. 19	Tees CDOP
<i>Discussion</i>	No report available this month.
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Noted.

Ref No. 20	SLSCB LIPSG
<i>Discussion</i>	No report available this month – next meeting scheduled for the 12 th November 2015.
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Noted.

Ref No. 21	Tees LSCBs Procedures Group
<i>Discussion</i>	No report available this month – next meeting scheduled for the 6 th November 2015.
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Noted.

Ref No. 22	Any Other Business.
<i>Discussion</i>	<p>LC advised that she has become a member of the Catalyst (Voluntary Sector) Board.</p> <p>PB informed Board members of the recent appointment of two additional Lay Members, Leanne Bain and Deborah Wray – they may be present, in an observational capacity, at the next Board meeting in November 2015. Those candidates who were unsuccessful at interview have been linked to Catalyst, and are keen to be involved in the voluntary sector.</p> <p>SM noted developments regarding the next SLSCB Staff Engagement Events. A flyer has been created for dissemination to staff, and if agreed, would be sent out at the end of October/beginning of November 2015. Currently in the process of looking at appropriate dates – acknowledged that these events may need to take place at the start of 2016 owing to availability of the required facilities. Board members again re-iterated their support for the intended staff engagement concept.</p>
<i>Agreement/ Outcome</i>	Updates noted.

	CM thanked everyone for their attendance at today's meeting.
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