

# **Vulnerable Young People Activity Group**

Terms of Reference

June 2022

## 1. Background

The Vulnerable Young People Activity Group (VYP) combines oversight of Enfield's response to Missing Children, those subject to Sexual Exploitation, Criminal Exploitation, children privately fostered, Trafficking, Modern Slavery, FGM, children involved with gangs or other harmful practices and those young people who are aged between 16-18 and are victims of Domestic Abuse.

It is recognised that a number of specific groups focus on different elements of this work.

The role of the VYP is to maintain a strategic overview of the work of these groups and constructively challenge quality of services and timely delivery of objectives.

# 2. Key functions of the Activity Group

- 2.1 The Activity Group will maintain close working relationships with other groups, share information and provide constructive challenge to quality and timeliness of actions to improve the response to VYP across the borough.
- 2.2 It will identify gaps in commissioning and make recommendations to Enfield Safeguarding Children Partnership (ESCP) accordingly, commissioning specialist training via the joint ESCP/SAB Practice Improvement (PI) sub-group.
- 2.3 Maintain and disseminate a good understanding of National and Regional and local policies and practices with regard to young people and contribute to the developments of the new procedures and protocols where required.
- 2.4 The VYP Activity will drive the Safeguarding Adolescents From Exploitation (SAFE) work- plan and agree new actions in support of other safeguarding strategies.
- 2.5 To support to the communication strategy of the ESCP for dissemination of information.
- 2.6 To support the Chair/ Deputy Chair to periodically deliver specific tasks through time limited "task and finish" groups.

#### 3. Governance

- 3.1. The Vulnerable Young People Activity Group reports to the ESCP and may also provide reports upon request to other groups including Enfield Safer & Stronger Communities Board (SSCB) and Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB)
- 3.2. Members are responsible for ensuring any actions agreed by VYP are effectively carried out within their agencies and will report back information discussed at the meetings.
- 3.3. Nominated members are expected to attend all meetings. Where this is not possible, this must be communicated to the Chair or ESCB Business Manager in advance, and reasons given, with a substitute identified.

### 4. Core Membership

- Head of Service, Practice Improvement and Partnerships- Angela Bent (Chair)
- Public Health Dudu Sher-Arami (Deputy chair)
- -Enfield Children's Social Care Rashmi Patel
- Enfield CCG Chantel Palmer
- Enfield Children and Young People's Service, Hamida Ali
- Enfield Youth Work and Development Services, Rafique Ullal
- Enfield School Improvement Service, Jo Fear/ Dani Lang
- Police (Borough) Acting DI Pyrouz Alinia
- Probation (NPS & CRC) Shirley Kennerson
- BEH Mental Health Trust Ginika Achokwu
- Enfield Community Services Carolyn Sobers
- North Middlesex University Hospital Trust, Debbie Twist
- Modern Slavery Team Fiana Centala
- 4.1 Members must have strategic oversight and understanding of performance in their agency
- 4.2 Individuals can be co-opted on to the group as deemed necessary as agreed by the chair.

#### 5. Practicalities

Meeting Frequency: The meeting will take place quarterly and meetings will be set annually in advance

Review: The Terms of Reference will be reviewed annually.