

Safeguarding update

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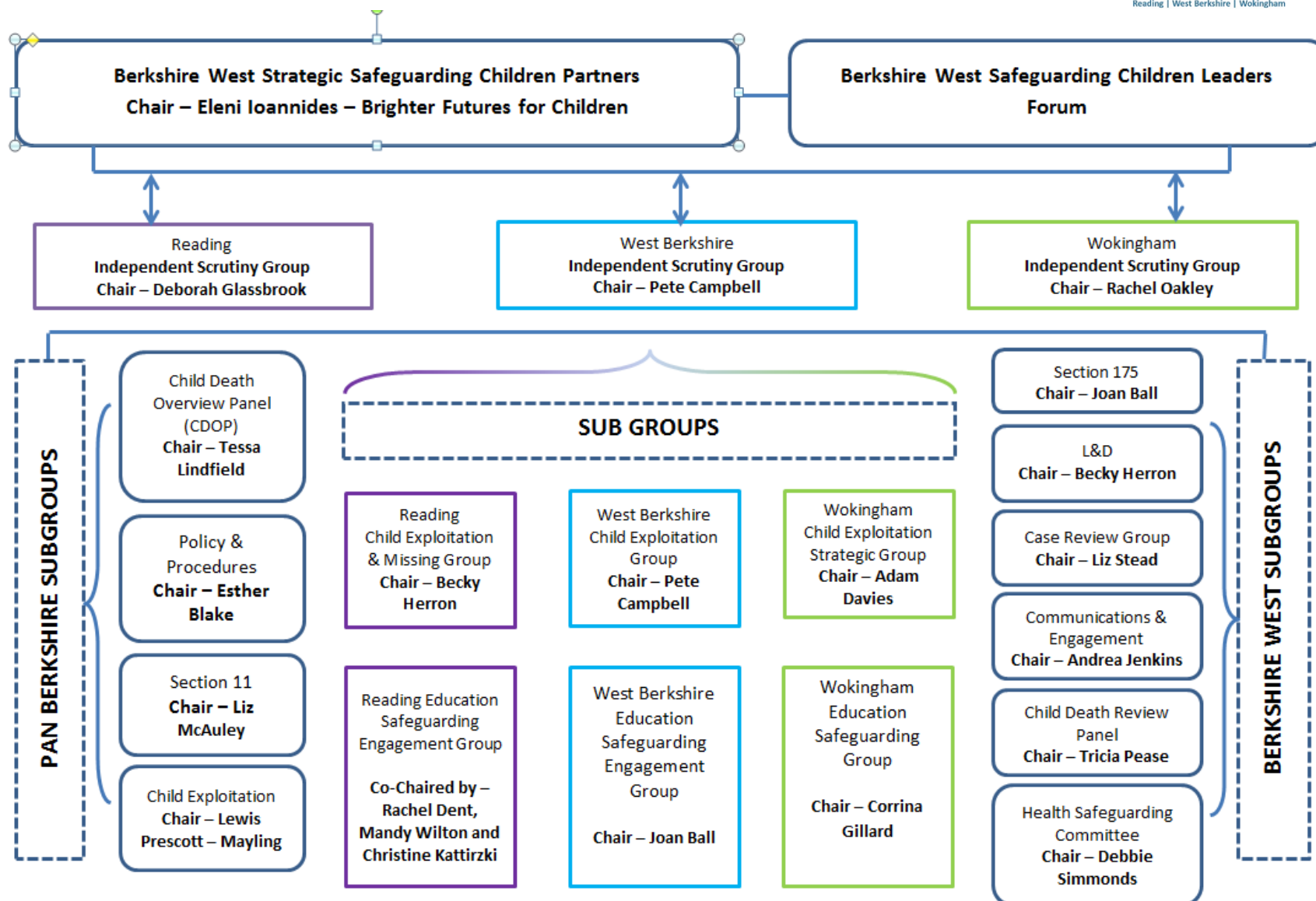
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Berkshire West Safeguarding Children Partnership

West Berkshire, Wokingham and Reading

October 2019

BW SCP Structure



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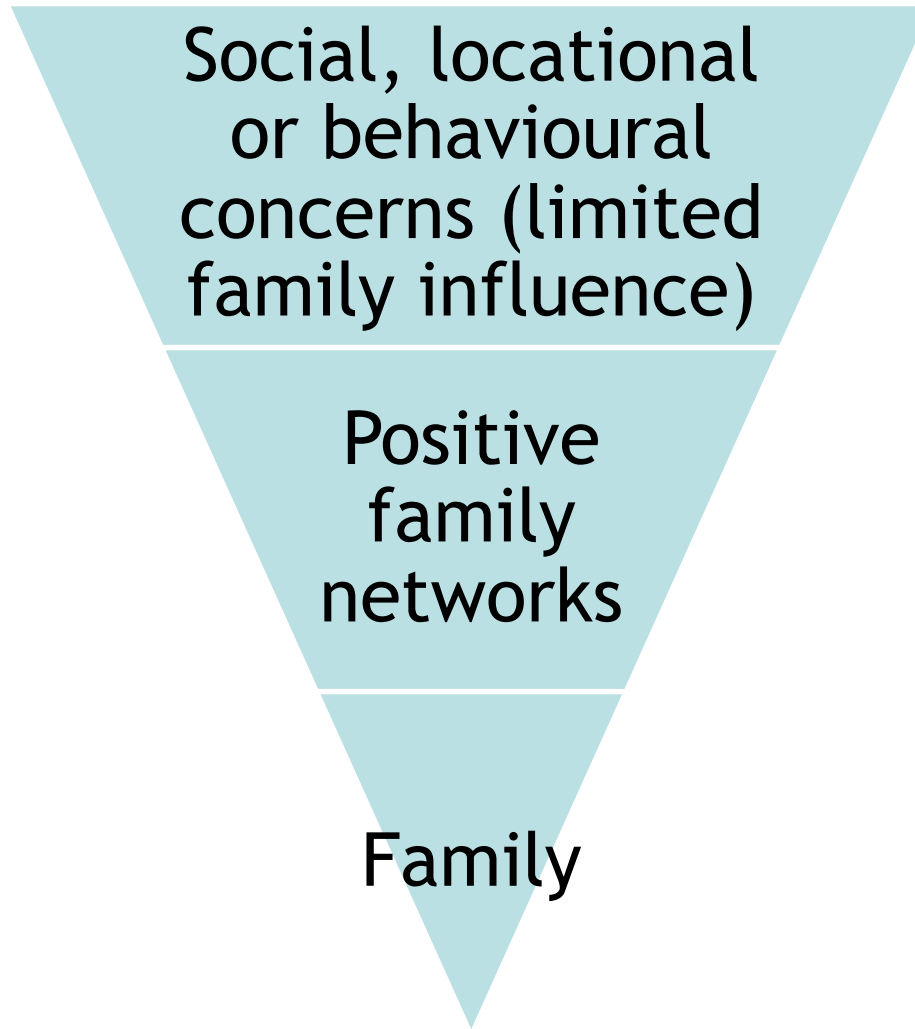
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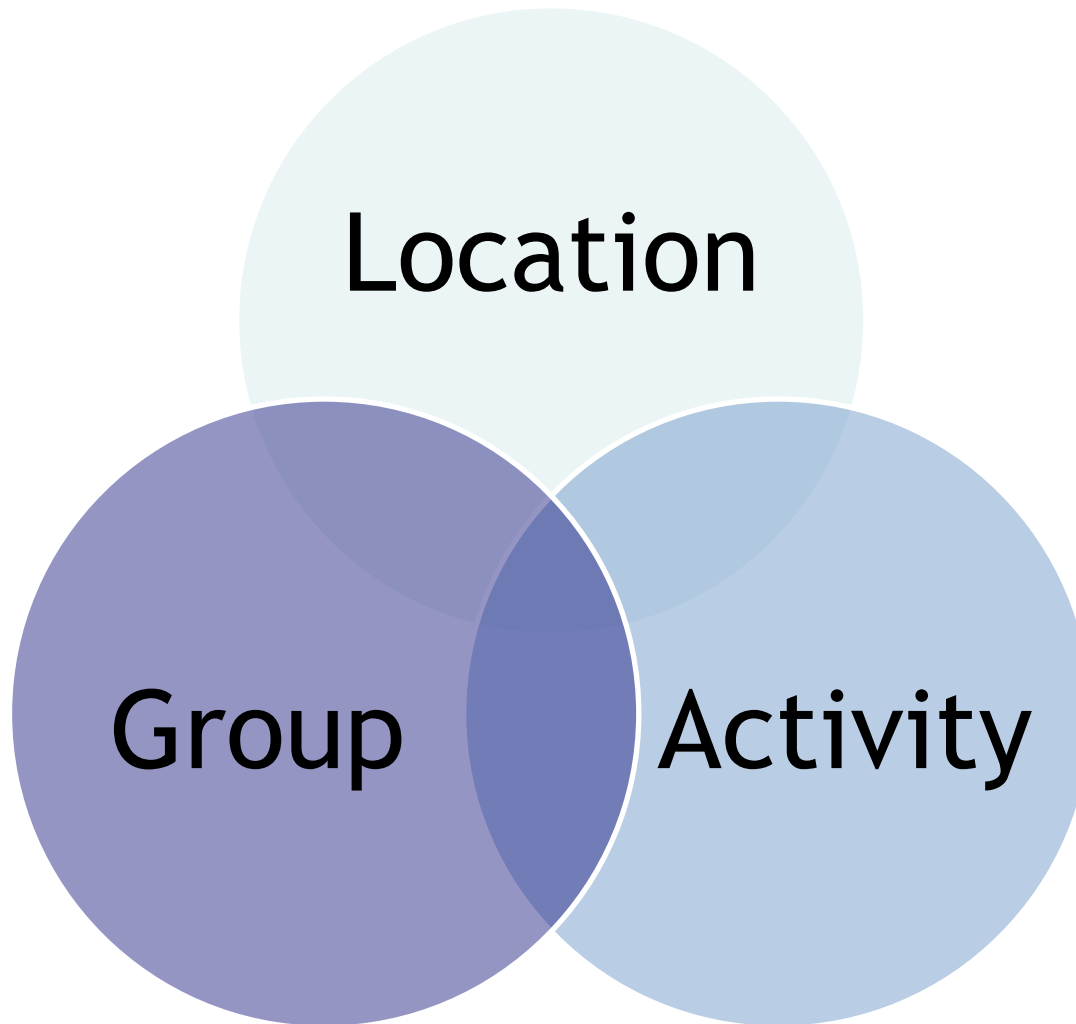
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Contextual Safeguarding

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Is it a safe environment?

Gang / crime / drug affected
neighbourhoods

What is going on in the local
community?

What school do they attend?

How do school respond to
risk and/or incidents?

Is school a safe environment?

Bullying?

Where are they going?

Location

Peer mapping

Who are the leaders?
Consider disruption
activity

Group

Activity

What is the child doing?

Risks?

Offending?

Who are the followers?
Consider youth support

Drug or alcohol use?

Embedding in Practice



- Think Contextual risk (extra familial)
- Recognise parental limitations – parents as partners
- Share information and intelligence
- Mapping – locations / peer networks
- Themes and trends
- Non-judgemental and non victim blaming

Section 175 Safeguarding Audit

Reading Analysis

Section 175 Audits



Section 175 of the Education Act 2002 requires school governing bodies, local education authorities and further education institutions to make arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. This includes reviewing safeguarding policies and procedures annually.

In order to assure the Berkshire West Safeguarding Children Partnership (BWSCP) that schools are discharging their safeguarding responsibilities appropriately schools are required to complete an annual audit.

This year, Reading used the NSPCC audit in line with local partners

All 66 Reading schools returned an audit including Reading College and local independent schools

Analysis



The audit has four safeguarding standards to review:

- Child Protection: Safety and Security
- Promoting welfare
- Working with Children
- Staff and Governance

Analysis - main themes



For Action:

Child Protection: Safety and Security

- Work experience; Sexual violence & harassment between children; fabricated illness; child trafficking

Promoting welfare

- Pupil induction; intimate care

Working with Children

- Early help

Staff and Governance

- Very secure area