

Education, Children and Families Committee

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Edinburgh Child Protection Committee Annual Report 2018-19

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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 The Education, Children and Families Committee is asked to:
 - 1.1.1 Note the content of the Edinburgh Child Protection Committee Annual Report 2018-19.
 - 1.1.2 Note the positive contribution made by services across the City in keeping children safe.

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2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 This report accompanies the Edinburgh Child Protection Committee Annual Report 2018-19 (see Appendix 1), which summarises the work of this multi-agency strategic partnership within the past year. It highlights the core business of the Child Protection Committee as well as areas of strength and good practice, alongside identified priority areas for the coming year.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Scottish Government guidance “Protecting Children and Young People: Child Protection Committee and Chief Officer Responsibilities” (2018) sets out the functions of child protection committees:
- 3.1.1 Continuous improvement
 - 3.1.2 Public information, engagement and participation
 - 3.1.3 Strategic planning and connections
 - 3.1.4 Annual reporting
- 3.2 Following endorsement by the Chief Officers Group (Public Protection) on 24th July 2019, the Annual Report is presented to the Education, Children and Families Committee for information and to comment as necessary.

4. Main report

- 4.1 The Edinburgh Child Protection Committee is a multi-agency strategic partnership, including membership from the City of Edinburgh Council, Police Scotland, NHS Lothian as well as partners including the Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations Council (EVOC), Scottish Council of Independent Schools (SCIS) and Scottish Children’s Reporter’s Administration (SCRA). The Child Protection Committee’s shared vision and commitment to continuous improvement was explicitly noted in

June 2019 by the Care Inspectorate, in their report of a joint inspection of services for children and young people in need of care and protection.

- 4.2 Several key achievements are highlighted within the Annual Report, including:
- 4.2.1 The development of a revised performance framework, enabling more robust scrutiny of trends and earlier exception reporting where children have been subject to child protection plans for several months.
 - 4.2.2 A simplified and streamlined improvement plan, with a focus placed on five key priority areas.
 - 4.2.3 A range of self-evaluation and quality assurance activity undertaken on a multi-agency basis, providing evidence that frontline practice is keeping children safe.
 - 4.2.4 A comprehensive training calendar, covering a wide range of relevant topics, providing learning opportunities to professionals working across the City.
 - 4.2.5 Proactive monitoring of action plans resulting from Initial and Significant Case Reviews.

5. Next Steps

- 5.1 The Child Protection Committee Annual Report highlights several areas of work to be taken forward over the coming year across the range of strategic functions. These will be incorporated into the Child Protection Committee improvement plan, the next version of which will be considered by the Child Protection Committee in September 2019 and thereafter presented to the Public Protection Chief Officers Group.

6. Financial impact

- 6.1 The Child Protection Committee is funded by an inter-agency tripartite budget, with contributions from City of Edinburgh Council, Police Scotland and NHS Lothian. All work referred to above and in the Appendix is resourced from within this budget. As such there is no additional financial impact identified.

7. Stakeholder/Community Impact

- 7.1 As noted in Appendix 1, the work of the Child Protection Committee is closely aligned with the Edinburgh Children's Partnership via the priorities within the Children's Services Plan. This ensures there is connectivity between the aspirations for children, young people and their families across these strategic forums.
- 7.2 The views of children, young people and their families are central to the continuous improvement of child protection services. As detailed in Appendix 1, section 8, the

perspectives of stakeholder have informed our self-evaluation and improvement planning. The Child Protection Committee will continue to actively consult with stakeholders going forward.

- 7.3 There are no health and safety, governance, compliance or regulatory implications.
- 7.4 There are no carbon impacts or impacts on climate change and sustainable development.

8. Background reading/external references

- 8.1 None.

9. Appendices

- 9.1 Appendix 1 Edinburgh Child Protection Committee Annual Report 2018-19

Appendix 1



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1. Introduction

Colleagues,

I am delighted to present the Edinburgh Child Protection Committee Annual Report for 2018-19. Since taking over as Chair of the Committee last year, I have had the privilege of working with colleagues across the multi-agency partnership to keep children safe.

This report outlines the work we have done in the last year to continually improve our services. This has been managed through a new and simplified improvement plan, focussing on five key priority areas, a format which we will continue into the next year.

At the start of 2019, we welcomed the Care Inspectorate who carried out a joint inspection of services for children and young people in need of care and protection. The final report highlighted several areas of good practice – in particular, the way we keep children safe through robust inter-agency referral discussion, as well as the work of the vulnerable young people’s group. We were pleased to see the Care Inspectorate recognised that “the child protection committee demonstrated a commitment to continuous improvement and was overseeing a range of self-evaluation activity”. Central to all our good work is a learning culture and positive relationships, which was also noted by the Care Inspectorate and which I hope will be familiar to all of you working across the City of Edinburgh.

This annual report is structured around the functions of the Child Protection Committee, as laid out in Scottish Government guidance. It highlights our achievements to date, and what we intend to do in the coming year. I hope you find it an informative document of the good work being done to keep children safe. We know that this requires collaboration and cooperation, qualities which I have seen throughout the multi-agency partnership and which provide strong foundations going forward.

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2. Demographics

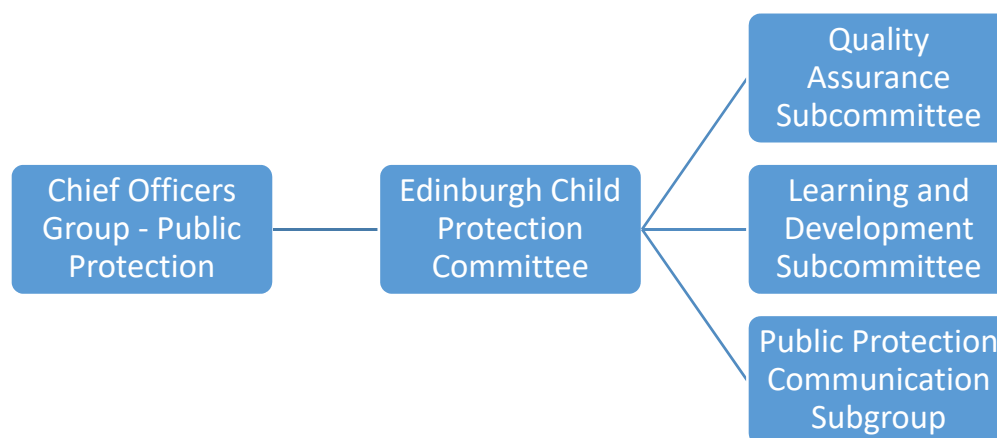
Edinburgh has one of the fastest growing populations of any city in the UK. In 2016, Edinburgh's population increased to over half a million for the first time in its history and is estimated at 518,500 in 2018.

The number of children aged 0-15 in Edinburgh in 2006 was 69,000 compared to 78,500 in 2018 with the projected population for 2026 being 83,400. The number of young people of secondary school age (12-17) is projected to increase by 25%, from 25,400 to 31,900, by 2026. It is estimated that one in thirteen Edinburgh primary and secondary students go to an independent school. The young people, aged 16-29, at 23.2% in 2018 account for a higher proportion of the population than the national figure of 17.7%.

Another feature of our city is the ethnic and cultural diversity, not only in terms of the local population, but also in terms of Edinburgh's short-term employment of young people and transient tourist population. In 2017-18, net migration increased Edinburgh's population by around 4,600 people which as a percentage of the population was more than double the national figure.

The number of child protection referrals has been around 1,300 each year over the last five years though this decreased to 1,210 in 2018-19. The number of children on the Child Protection Register continued to decrease through 2018-19 to a record low of 132 at the end of March 2019. Correspondingly we have seen a decrease in the number of Child Protection Case Conferences (CPCCs) with a total of 787 held in the period April 2018 to March 2019 compared to 942 in the preceding year.

3. Child Protection Committee Structure and Functions - overview



The Edinburgh Child Protection Committee is a locally-based, inter-agency strategic partnership, responsible for the design, development, publication, distribution, dissemination, implementation and evaluation of child protection policy and practice across the public, private and wider third sectors in the City of Edinburgh area. Through our local structures and membership, we provide individual and collective leadership and direction for the management of child protection services.

The Committee is made up of senior representatives from across all key areas and partners concerned with the care and protection of children. Guidance issued by the Scottish Government requires every local authority area to have a Child Protection Committee.

Strong links exist between the Committee and the Edinburgh Children's Partnership (the Partnership) through the Edinburgh Children's Services Plan (2017-2020).

The vision for both the Committee and the Partnership is to ensure that all Edinburgh's children and young people enjoy their childhood and achieve their potential. To support us in achieving our vision, 5 strategic outcomes have been identified.

- Every child will have the best start in life.
- Children and young people's attendance, engagement and achievement will be improved and the poverty related attainment gap will be reduced.
- Every child and young person will have good wellbeing and achieve the best possible health.
- Equity amongst children and young people and their families will be advanced.

- Children and young people, their families and their communities will be empowered to improve their wellbeing.

In line with the GIRFEC well-being indicators, we aim to ensure children and young people are safe, healthy, active, nurtured, achieving, responsible, respected, and included. The Committee has a key role in achieving these aims along with the Partnership, recognising that the environment for some children in Edinburgh is more challenging, requiring additional measures to ensure children are protected from harm.

The governance of the Committee is the responsibility of the Edinburgh Public Protection Chief Officers' Group. Within the last year, the membership of this group has expanded to include two local Councillors, with these elected members now attending alongside Chief Officers from the City of Edinburgh Council, Police Scotland and NHS Lothian.

In 2019, the Scottish Government published the document "Protecting Children and Young People: Child Protection Committee and Chief Officer Responsibilities". This sets out the functions of the child protection committee, which are:

- continuous improvement
- public information, engagement and participation
- strategic planning and connections
- annual reporting on the work of the CPC

4. Continuous improvement

The Committee has a pivotal role in ensuring that services to protect children and young people are always improving. This covers several areas:

i. Policies, Procedures and Guidance

The Committee:

- supports all agencies to have their own up to date policies and procedures in place
- regularly develops, disseminates, and reviews inter-agency policies and procedures
- ensures protocols are developed for key issues where agreement is required.

What we have done:

Throughout 2019, we have continued to support the operation of key inter-agency protocols such as those covering child sexual exploitation and female genital mutilation. Where relevant, multi-agency strategy meetings have taken place to share information, plan jointly and reduce risk.

Protocols have been updated where necessary, including the Dispute Resolution Protocol which is used when there is professional disagreement about the plan for a child.

Emerging issues have been highlighted through the Committee to all partner agencies, supporting the development of single agency policies and procedures in these areas.

We have issued clear guidance around information sharing in child protection cases, to ensure that there is no adverse impact following the implementation of GDPR.

Committee members are represented on the steering group to review the National Guidance for Child Protection in Scotland.

What we will do next:

Develop our systems for reviewing and updating policies and procedures, to ensure that all documents remain current.

We will review our local inter-agency procedures to ensure these are in accordance with the revised National Guidance for Child Protection in Scotland (scheduled for 2020).

ii. Data and Evidence

The Committee retains an overview of management information from all key agencies relating to the protection of children and young people. The Committee:

- has an overview of information relating to children and young people with their names listed on the Child Protection Register
- receives regular management information reports, which include analysis of trends
- identifies and address the implications of these management reports
- ensures that management information informs the inter-agency child protection strategy.

What we have done:

The performance reporting framework is now embedded, with six monthly reporting on key indicators enabling the Committee to better identify and understand trends.

We have liaised with CELCIS and the Scottish Government to ensure we are prepared for the launch of the minimum dataset for child protection committees in the coming year.

In order to better identify drift and delay, we have begun analysing data in relation to children whose names are on the child protection register for over 18 months, as opposed to the 2 year threshold which was previously in place.

What we will do next:

We will host a workshop for colleagues in neighbouring local authority areas around the minimum dataset for child protection committees and continue to liaise with the Scottish Government around its' implementation.

We will continue to refine and improve our analysis of the data we collect

iii. Quality Assurance and Self-Evaluation

Whilst individual agencies have responsibility for the quality assurance of their own service, the Committee has responsibility for the development and implementation of inter-agency quality assurance mechanisms. The Committee:

- agrees, implements, and reviews multi-agency quality assurance mechanisms for inter-agency work, including auditing against the framework for standards
- ensures that the quality assurance mechanisms contribute directly to the continuous improvement of services to protect children and young people
- contributes to the preparation for the integrated system of inspection of children's services
- considers the findings and lessons from inspection on a national basis, in relation to practice in Edinburgh
- co-ordinates significant case reviews as necessary
- reports on the outcome of the quality assurance processes and make recommendations to the Committee and the Chief Officers' Group.

The Quality Assurance Subcommittee is the central coordination point for this work in Edinburgh.

What we have done:

We have completed joint self-evaluation around children whose names were not placed on the child protection register following a case conference, as well as those who had been deregistered for several months.

Quality assurance work around the running of Child Protection Case Conferences and Vulnerable Young Person's meetings has been completed, and learning taken forward to the Committee.

Implemented revised reporting processes around key areas, such as children whose names are on the child protection register for over 18 months. The link with frontline quality assurance work, such as the IRD Review Group, has also been strengthened via reporting mechanisms.

What we will do next:

In connection with work around data and evidence, we will strengthen the analysis of information within the Quality Assurance Subcommittee, and ensure this contributes to service improvement.

Consider the lessons from the joint inspection, and ensure relevant actions relevant to the work of the Committee, are taken forward.

Further embed the collation of single agency self-evaluation, to ensure any relevant information is considered within a multi-agency context.

iv. Conducting Initial and Significant Case Reviews

Child Protection Committees, on behalf of the Chief Officers, are responsible for undertaking Initial Care Reviews (ICRs) and reporting / recommending a Significant Case Review (SCR) when the agreed criteria are met.

The Committee uses the learning from ICRs/SCRs to promote good practice, improve practice and contribute to improved outcomes for children and young people.

What we have done:

Actions plans resulting from ICR/SCRs have been monitored until completion by the Committee, with oversight from the Chief Officers Group.

A selection of completed actions from SCR have been audited to ensure ongoing compliance.

Ongoing liaison with and consideration of feedback from the Care Inspectorate, in their role as the central repository for SCR reports.

What we will do next:

Introduce a combined, streamlined process for tracking and reporting ICR and SCR action plans.

Work with partners in the Care Inspectorate and the academic sector to host a learning event around local and national learning from SCR to multi-agency staff across Edinburgh.

Review our processes for sharing learning from ICR/SCRs with frontline staff, to ensure that this is completed timeously and accessibly in order to have a direct impact on local practice.

Further develop the Child Protection Website to be more informative and effective.

5. Committee Development Day

The Committee held its' annual development day in May 2019. This is a key date in the calendar for all members to reflect on their work over the year and to consider emerging priorities for the year ahead.

Members were asked to think about what was working well, and what could be better.



There was unanimous agreement that the Committee should continue to prioritise work around multi-agency chronologies, neglect and domestic abuse within the coming year. It was also noted that a rolling programme of multi-agency practice evaluation and the vulnerable young person's group were now embedded and could be removed from the improvement plan.

The discussion at the development day will feed into the development of the 2019-20 improvement plan, which will include new priorities around engagement with families and visibility of the Committee.

6. Learning and Development

Child protection training and staff development must be undertaken at both single agency and inter-agency level, for those working with children and families. This is underpinned by the promotion of children's rights and GIRFEC principles.

Through the Learning and Development Sub Committee, the Child Protection Committee is responsible for promoting, commissioning, and assuring the quality and delivery of inter-agency training. The Committee:

- retains an overview of single agency child protection training and considers the implications of inter-agency training
- plans, reviews, and quality assures inter-agency training and learning and development activities
- implements and reviews annually, a programme for inter-agency child protection training
- ensures relevant and consistent inter-agency training is provided for practitioners, managers, non-statutory agencies, and Child Protection Committee members.

What we have done:

Continued to develop our inter-agency training calendar to ensure our training programme is responding to demand and is reflective of the current practice landscape.

Introduced new courses around practice skills for addressing neglect and attending a Children's Hearing.

Expanded the IRD workshops to staff across the Lothians, following the implementation of eIRD on a Lothian-wide basis.

What we will do next:

Consider the learning from an independent evaluation of our training courses, currently underway via the University of Stirling.

Improve our processes for systematically evaluating the impact of our training programme.

Work with colleagues in adult protection to update the Public Protection Inter-agency Learning and Development strategy.

7. Public Information, Engagement and Participation

The Scottish Government guidance for child protection committees states that:

Keeping children and young people safe is everyone's job and the CPC must be able to demonstrate that its work is informed by the perspectives of children, young people and their families. CPCs will maintain an overview of levels of knowledge and confidence in child protection systems within their area and address issues as required within their Improvement / Business Plans. Each CPC will develop, implement and regularly review a communications strategy that includes:

- *raising awareness so that members of the public, including children and young people, know what child protection means and what to do if they have a concern for a child or young person*
- *explaining and promoting the role of services in protecting children and young people*
- *engaging with local communities to raise awareness of indicators of concern*
- *increasing understanding of the role that communities and all adults have in protecting children and young people*
- *involving children, young people and families in its design and delivery*
- *taking account of new and emerging risks*

(Protecting Children and Young People, Scottish Government, 2019)

Within Edinburgh, successful public protection campaigns - such as Speak Up, Speak Out – have been run on a joint basis to ensure that members of the community are alert to risks and know what to do about them.

A Public Protection Communication Subgroup, now meeting to develop campaigns as a working group, is the vehicle for ensuring there is a clear connection between the strategic priorities of the Committee and members of the wider community.

A priority for the Committee in 2019-20 will be to maximise visibility and connectivity with frontline staff and the community, which closely aligns with the functions described above.

What we have done:

Continued the promotion of key public protection messages around identifying and reporting concerns.

Supported national campaigns such as the Eyes Open campaign to protect children over the holiday period.

Engaged with over 1,600 parents in the development of a new campaign in conjunction with NSPCC Scotland.

Supported the launch of Mind Of My Own in Edinburgh – an app which supports young people to provide their views to professionals.

Further embedded the use of advocacy for young people at child protection case conferences, via collaboration with Who Cares? Scotland.

What we will do next:

Launch a joint public awareness and information campaign in conjunction with NSPCC Scotland.

Review our processes for engaging with children and their families, and to consider further how their views can help inform service development.

Develop our public facing information to ensure the work of the Committee is visible and prominent within the community.

8. Families experiences of the child protection system

In 2019, the views of young people and their families were included as a central part of the committee's programme of multi-agency practice evaluations. These are reflective conversations that take place with the team around the family to help us share learning and consider any improvements that may be required.

In previous years, this process included professionals only. However, from 2019 onwards the views of families have been sought and presented to the team around the family at the start of these discussions. Families were asked what has worked well, and if anything could have been done differently.

What families told us worked well:

- They felt involved in the decision making about their children
- There were good relationships with the team around the family
- Families felt listened to by the team around the family

However we also heard that:

- Sometimes it feels like a lot of talking has happened but little action
- Sometimes services could have become involved sooner
- We could be better at supporting families to understand processes

Reports from the Multi-Agency Practice Evaluations are considered by the Committee and help to improve child protection within the City of Edinburgh.

9. Strategic Planning and Connections

Scottish Government guidance states that:

CPCs must ensure strong and robust strategic planning links to wider integrated children's services planning arrangements in their local area in order to ensure that the need for support and protection of children and young people can be comprehensively met in well designed, effective and sustainable local services, programmes and initiatives.

CPCs must link effectively with other multi-agency partnerships and structures locally, regionally and nationally, including Chair and Lead officer participation in Child Protection Committees Scotland.

(Protecting Children and Young People, Scottish Government, 2019)

The Committee links into several multi-agency structures and ensures relationships are robust and productive. The Committee:

- identifies the key links with other bodies and ensure such links are strong and productive
- in conjunction with other bodies, identifies issues where joint working would be beneficial or duplication could be avoided and ensure that action is taken to address these issues
- implements and reviews the effectiveness of joint protocols linked to child protection.

Within Edinburgh, the Chief Officers Group for Public Protection is the key forum for collaboration at a strategic level, with close links to the Edinburgh Children's Partnership. This ensures there is a culture of collaboration threaded throughout the work of the Committee.

What we have done:

Engagement in national forums such as CPC Scotland, National Learning and Development Network and the Chief Officers leadership event.

Developed opportunities for joint working , such as neighbouring local authority areas and CPCs.

Closer links between the adult and child protection committees in Edinburgh, with regular representation on subcommittees to ensure joint working where relevant.

The development of links with colleagues in the academic sector to ensure our work is informed by current research.

What we will do next:

Ongoing liaison with the Care Inspectorate via the link inspector, including collaboration on learning events and post-inspection planning.

Continue to contribute to key strategic forums such as CPC Scotland.

Work with colleagues across the Lothians to ensure our practice develops in line with the revised National Guidance.

10. Conclusion and next steps – Chief Officers

The Edinburgh Child Protection Committee Annual Report for 2018-19 is designed to demonstrate the key role of the Committee in ensuring the inter-agency response to the protection of Edinburgh’s children is cohesive, structured, and working towards continuous improvement. The report summarises some of our key achievements throughout the period under review.

We are clear, however, that we are on a journey of continuous learning and improvement and we still have work to do. We maintain close working relationships with agencies in the statutory, voluntary, and independent sectors and are determined to ensure we retain an outcome-focused approach to child protection matters.

As Chief Officers, we fully appreciate the challenge of ensuring Edinburgh’s children are safe as well as providing a platform from which all children in Edinburgh can reach their full potential. We have continued to make progress towards achieving our aims since the publication of the 2016-2017 annual report. This annual report reflects on the successes and identifies our areas of further improvement. We extend our appreciation for the continuing efforts of all agencies in Edinburgh working together to protect children and young people. This work is challenging and complex, however, it is an area in which we are committed to achieving excellence.

We endorse the contents of the Child Protection Committee annual report for 2018-19.



Appendix A – Remits and Membership list of Committee Sub Group structure

Appendix B – Child Protection Register Statistics

Appendix A – Remit and Membership of Committee Sub Group structure

Edinburgh Child Protection Committee Quality Assurance Sub-Committee

Purpose

1. To operate a quality assurance framework that allows the Child Protection Committee to monitor the effectiveness of local child protection services.
2. To operate a performance reporting framework and a system for self-evaluation in support of the above.
3. To implement a system of regular multi-agency case file reviews.
4. To oversee significant case reviews, commissioned by the Child Protection Committee; and to consider appropriate recommendations to the Child Protection Committee.
5. To monitor the implementation of any recommendations arising from reviews agreed by the Child Protection Committee.
6. To develop multi-agency improvement plans in response to external inspection reports or internal assessment processes.
7. To monitor the progress of member agencies' implementation of agreed improvement plans

Membership

Membership will include representation from the following agencies/ services:

- NHS Lothian
- Police Scotland
- City of Edinburgh Council (Communities and Families)
- City of Edinburgh Council (Health and Social Care)
- City of Edinburgh Council (Safer and Stronger Communities)
- Scottish Children's Reporter Administration
- Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations Council

Input from the voluntary sector representative on the Child Protection Committee will be sought as appropriate. Officers from other services/agencies may be co-opted onto the sub-group as required, subject to the approval of the relevant agency.

Meetings

The sub-group will meet at a frequency determined by the requirements of the agreed tasks, but not normally less frequently than the Child Protection Committee.

Meetings will be minuted and will be reported to the Child Protection Committee.

Edinburgh Child Protection Committee Learning and Development Sub-Committee

Purpose

1. To develop a learning and development strategy that allows the Child Protection Committee to monitor the effectiveness of child protection training across the agencies.
2. To coordinate the training strategy within member agencies.
3. To develop a system for delivering multi-agency training and evaluating its effectiveness.
4. To oversee the training needs of the voluntary sector.
5. To develop multi-agency improvement plans in response to external inspection reports or internal assessment processes.
6. To monitor the progress of member agencies' implementation of agreed improvement plans.
7. To liaise with the other subgroups of the Child Protection Committee to avoid duplication of work.

Membership

Membership will include representation from the following agencies/services:

- NHS Lothian
- Police Scotland
- City of Edinburgh Council (Communities and Families)
- City of Edinburgh Council (Health and Social Care)
- City of Edinburgh Council (Safer and Stronger Communities)
- Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations Council

Meetings

The sub-group will meet at a frequency determined by the requirements of the agreed tasks, but not normally less frequently than the Child Protection Committee. Meetings will be minuted and will be reported to the Child Protection Committee.

Edinburgh Public Protection Committees Communications Sub-Group

Purpose

A planned and co-coordinated communications strategy is needed to:

1. raise public awareness of child protection issues and services
2. establish a system to share information and communicate effectively with and between agencies and staff at all levels to raise awareness of child protection
3. share best practice examples

Membership

Membership will include representation from the following agencies/ services:

- NHS Lothian
- Police Scotland
- City of Edinburgh Council (Communities and Families)
- City of Edinburgh Council (Health and Social Care)
- City of Edinburgh Council (Safer and Stronger Communities)
- Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations Council

Officers from other services/agencies may be co-opted onto the sub-group as required, subject to the approval of the relevant agency.

Meetings

The sub-group will meet at a frequency determined by the requirements of the agreed tasks. This will normally consist of monthly meetings.

Meetings will be minuted and will be reported to the Child Protection Committee.

Appendix B – Child Protection Register Statistics

	2018		2017		2016	2015
	Number	Rate Per 1,000 population	Number	Rate Per 1,000 population	Rate Per 1,000 population	Rate per 1,000 population
Edinburgh	190	2.4	235	3.0	3.2	3.4
East Lothian	36	1.9	45	2.4	2.5	1.4
Midlothian	45	2.6	64	3.7	3.1	1.8
West Lothian	82	2.3	70	2.0	2.2	3.5
Scottish Borders	50	2.6	39	2.0	3.4	1.5
Aberdeen	68	1.9	80	2.3	3.5	2.9
Dundee	73	3.0	69	2.9	3.4	3.0
Scotland	2,668	2.9	2,600	2.8	3.0	3.0

Source:

Scottish Government

<https://www2.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Children/sourcesandsuitability/LAlevelCP>

Statistics at 31 July each year.