

ISLE OF WIGHT LOCAL SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD

A guide for Parents/Carers

Appeals to the decision to place a child's name on the Child Protection Register

The child, parent or carer may ask for a review of a decision of an Isle of Wight Child Protection Conference if they believe that the outcome of the Child Protection Conference was influenced as a result of the following:-

- The LSCB Child Protection Procedures in respect of the Child Protection Conference were not followed.
- The information presented to the Child Protection Conference was inaccurate and incomplete or inadequately considered in the decision making process.
- The threshold of significant harm was not met.
- The category of registration was incorrect.

The review should, in the first instance, be raised directly with the Child Protection Conference Chair. If the matter cannot be resolved informally, the Conference Chair must notify the Local Safeguarding Children Board Coordinator who will write to the child, parents or carer asking if they wish to proceed to Stage 2 of the LSCB's complaints process. The complainant will be asked to confirm their wishes in writing and the reasons for their complaint. The LSCB will then arrange for a Review Panel to be held within 28 working days of receipt of the letter that a Review Meeting is requested.

The Panel will be chaired by a member of the Local Safeguarding Children Board and will include the complainant, the Chair of the Child Protection Conference and at least two agency representatives of the Local Safeguarding Children Board, one of whom should be from Children's Services.

The Panel will make a recommendation that day, enabling a further Child Protection Conference to be convened within 14 days to reconsider the matter if necessary. The recommendations of the Panel will be confirmed in writing to all those who attended the meeting, and to those present at the Child Protection Case Conference, within 48 hours.

It continues to be the case that only properly constituted Child Protection Conferences can place on or remove children's names from the Isle of Wight Child Protection Register.