Buckinghamshire County Council

Return Home Assessment

Young Person’s Report in Respect of:

(name of YP)

Date of Birth:

xxx

**Introduction:**

On (date) your social worker (name of sw) spoke to you to help make a decision about whether you could return home to xxx.

At this time you were living with in (foster care/residential care). You were having contact with your (mum/ dad/ parents - names) and you/your parents said they would like to be assessed to see if it was safe for you go home.

It was agreed we would use a new kind of assessment to help make the decision. We did the following:

* + Looked at you and your family’s history, for example why you came into care and what support your family was offered.
  + Assessed your mum and dad
  + Looked at how risky it would be for you to return home and to help make plans for your future. We used this model to help make the decision:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Low risk** | **Medium risk** | **High risk** | **Severe risk** |
| Previous risks gone. Any other risks are low | Some risks | Lots of risks | Lots of risks |
| Lots of protection | Lots of protection | Some protection | No protection |
| Parents have made lots of changes | Parents have made lots of changes | Parents have not made any changes | Parents have not made any changes |
| Child and parents want return home to happen | Child and parents want return home to happen | Child or parents may not want return home to happen | Child or parents may not want return home to happen |
| **It will be safe to go home** | **It will be safe to go home with some support** | **It will not be safe to go home** | **It will not be safe to go home** |

**Decision on risk**

In the end it was decided that it was: (insert risk level from table above) eg:

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| --- |
| **Low risk** |
| Previous risks gone. Any other risks are low |
| Lots of protection |
| Parents have made lots of changes |
| Child and parents want return home to happen |
| **It will be safe to go home** |

**Summary of the next steps**

As it was decided that it was safe for you to go home, plans need to be put in place to help you and your parents in this process. Therefore we are working with xxx and have made a plan for you and your parents to help this happen. It’s really important your views are included in this plan, so please tell us if we have missed anything.

(Attach Plan)

Or

As it was decided that it would not be safe to go home to xxx plans needed to be made to make sure you had the best opportunity to be well cared for all of your childhood. Therefore we decided/the court decided that you should live with xxx.

**Any questions?**

If you have any questions about this report please talk to whoever is sharing this with you.

It may be that in the future you want to read the full report that helped to make this decision and if so you can request to see your records.