

CASE SUPERVISION TOOL

Name of the child(ren):

- P
- G

Case status (mark all that apply):

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Why are the children currently open to social care?

Brief overview of the case and the reason for the referral.

(To be completed by the social worker and to be updated when there is a significant change to the plan).

Example:

A referral was received from the National Probation Service on 24th February 2022 raising concerns regarding R's imminent release from prison. The referral raised concerns regarding the potential risk to the children as a result of previous domestic abuse and physical abuse of P. Therefore, an assessment was required to consider the risk posed by R and A's ability to protect the children from further harm.

The single assessment was completed and within this period, R was released from prison with conditions not to reside at the family home and for no contact to take place with the children until assessed by social care. Throughout the assessment, A was clear she wanted R to return to the family home however agreed to adhere to safety plans in place pending a risk assessment.

The single assessment highlighted historical concerns relating to domestic abuse and violent offences by R including a manslaughter charge from the 1990's. Due to the concerns relating to domestic abuse and physical assault on P, it was agreed the children should remain open to social care under Child in Need to enable a risk assessment to be completed and subsequent safety planning.

What has changed since the last supervision?

(To be updated for each supervision; think about what is working well, what we are worried about, what is life like for the child – what is the impact on the child).

Example:

Positives:

- R has attended 2 sessions of the risk assessment and has been open and honest
- The family have continued to adhere to the safety plan in place, ensuring this children have not been exposed to further harm.
- G has engaged in direct work and has described parents having a loving relationship with each other.
- R has attended appointments with probation and has engaged in sessions around his offending behaviour

Worries:

- R has been very open about his views in relation to domestic abuse and expressed his view that this is acceptable in a marriage. This lack of insight could impact further on the children should they return home
- A has declined engaging with domestic abuse services and does not feel this support is needed. She feels she is too busy. There are concerns that A has minimised the domestic abuse in her relationship.
- P has expressed feeling anxious about the return of his father. P does want to see his father however wants his father to express a genuine apology for the physical assault against him.
- A has raised concerns regarding R's drinking and that this appears to have been a trigger for DA incidents. R does not feel his alcohol use is an issue and does not feel support is needed.
- A and G are both wishing for R to return to the family home, disregarding the anxieties of P.

Case reflection (How safe do you think the children are and why? 1st and 2nd order change/family functioning/hypothesis, what does good look like and what do we need to do to achieve it?).

(Completed by manager in supervision)

The family remain open to social care and the children are subject to CIN plans due to concerns relating to the risk father poses. The concerns relate to domestic abuse and physical abuse of the children.

The risk assessment is underway and father is engaging well with this however he has strong views and we wonder whether we would be able to change this mindset. R has strong views and when discussing domestic abuse, he felt this is acceptable in a marriage. We wonder whether some of his beliefs are influenced by his culture and the traditional views he holds. A has identified that alcohol is the trigger to domestic abuse incidents however R does not see this as an issue. Probation are working with him to address his alcohol use however if he does not accept this as a problem, it may become a barrier to addressing this.

Whilst R does not accept domestic abuse is an issue, he does however accept that his actions towards P were unacceptable. P stated that he has never done anything like this

before. We wonder whether P was gaining his own voice and getting older and challenging his father, triggering this reaction.

We worry that A accepts fathers actions and minimises the domestic abuse. He has further offending history prior to coming to the UK and we are concerned that his lack of insight and acceptance will be a barrier to progressing the situation for the family. We feel the family see R as the breadwinner and is needed to financially support the family.

Whilst the risks to the children are reduced at this time, this is due to father being restricted from returning to the family home. In order for sustained changes to be made, R needs to engage in support relating to his alcohol use and domestic abuse.

Safety and wellbeing scale:

6 – at the present time, the children remain on a CIN plan, and the family are adhering to the agreement in place. Furthermore, R has BAIL conditions preventing him from attending the family home. Therefore, the risk to the children is mitigated.

The risk could increase if the BAIL conditions ended, and the family chose not to adhere to the safety plans in place.

The risk could be further reduced by father engaging with the risk assessment, providing a good understanding of future risks. This would highlight areas which father needs to address to reduce the risk to the children.

How is the case progressing? Have we completed the agreed actions agreed and what further actions are needed for case progression to reduce risks & build resilience?
(Suggestions actions to be added by social worker in prep and to be discussions and expanded on within supervision).

| ACTIONS TO BE COMPLETED <i>(Ensure we consider actions within the child's plan)</i> | TIMESCALE <i>(Think SMART, no ongoing etc)</i> | Update in supervision. <i>(Has the action been completed?)</i> |
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| The single assessment to be completed to understand the needs of the children | 10/04/2022 | This was achieved in timescale. The assessment outlined further areas of support. |

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| Risk assessment of father to be completed and recommendations regarding future contact and returning to the family home. | 10/06/2022 | New action |
| SW to support P with having his initial visit with his dad. This can form part of the risk assessment | 13/05/2022 | New action |
| Discussion with probation regarding the work they are completing with father around his alcohol use. | 16/05/2022 | New action |
| Consideration to be given to mother completing some work with CCW around domestic abuse. SW to complete a schedule regarding what she wants to be covered. | 06/05/2022 | New action |
| Child in Need plan to be developed following the initial meeting | 06/05/2022 | New action |
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Relevant dates:

(Ensure all next/last meetings are included, e.g core group and RCPC)

| | Date: | Is it recorded? (if not, this needs to be an action). |
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| Visits undertaken since last supervision: | 26/04/2022 | Yes |
| Next visit date: | 13/05/2022 | |
| Last meeting: | 01/04/2022 | No |
| Next meeting date: | 03/05/2022 | |

Any other important dates, e.g. – filing dates/court hearings: