**Dorset Council Area Extra Familial Harm Tactical Meeting Terms of Reference.**

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**Purpose and aims of Tactical Meeting.**

This meeting facilitates partnership oversight at a tactical level to the partnership response to those-

* At risk of or are experiencing harm outside their family.
* At risk of or are causing harm to young people outside their family.
* At risk of or are experiencing or causing harm in specific contexts such as their peer group,

neighbourhoods/locations and/or school.

This is not an operational meeting and referrals should follow the agreed information sharing pathway through the Pan-Dorset information sharing agreements and via the Extra Familial Risk and Harm (EFRH) pathways.

This tactical meeting will not have full case management discussions as these are held within relevant child protection/child in need meetings. If there are urgent or immediate safeguarding concerns that cannot be resolved within the EFRH Panel, then these should be escalated via standard partnership escalation processes.

The Tactical Group Meeting will aim to focus upon discussions for identified cases by the EFRH panel due to severity and complexity which require tactical level oversight including-

* Are all powers and options are being used to protect the victim and disrupt the offender(s)
* Are all agencies working together effectively?
* Do all agencies have recorded the relevant details of the case on their systems to ensure others have access to the information?
* Are any actions taken co-ordinated with other processes such as MARAC/HRDA and MAPPA?
* Are the links/patterns with any cases/locations/venues identified?
* Are there appropriate actions being taken to address contextual risks identified locations, places and spaces where harm has been identified?
* Agencies are working together to make a positive difference to those affected by these risks.

A further aim of the tactical meeting is to ensure intelligence/information trends are discussed across the partnership regarding themes for wider analysis. Each agency is responsible for collecting and reporting information and intelligence to the meeting on an exception basis.

An essential aim of the tactical meeting is to drive progress of delivery plans underpinning the extra familial harm strategy within the Dorset council area.

**Partners are expected to understand and present where available.**

* Agency data analysis of Number of panel referrals completed during the month including child level demographics.
* Good news stories including positive prevention and enforcement taken including arrests and disruptions.
* Information on groups/ gangs of children involved in criminality/ prominent ASB.
* Information on County Lines impacting children.
* Known risk locations.
* Health and education data relevant to extra familial harm.

**The Panel members will.**

* Be of a suitable tactical decision-making role.
* Promote and safeguard the welfare of children and young people through multi-agency partnership.
* Assess risk from a multi-agency perspective and target services appropriately.
* Collect and analyse data to inform agency responses.
* Improve inter-agency accountability.
* Problem-solve and improve the support available to professionals working with high-risk cases.
* Inform the commissioning of specialist services and strategic meetings.
* Be responsible for ensuring outcomes and actions are recorded on own agencies records and followed up.

**Governance of the Tactical Meeting.**

The Police jointly chair the Tactical Group, at a rank not below Detective Chief Inspector, and Children’s Social Care, not below Service Manager. The Tactical Group meeting reports to the Strengthening Services for Children and Families’ Board.

The Tactical Group will report to Strengthening Services for Children and Families’ Board, MAQPAG and Extra Familial Harm Strategic Boards.

This meeting is administered through Dorset Council. Actions are the responsibility of each agency to record and resolve.

Members include-

* Dorset Council - Children & Families Service – Head of Locality and Strategy & Chair
* Dorset Police – County Safeguarding – Detective Chief Inspector & Co-Chair
* Dorset County Hospital Safeguarding Lead, UHD Safeguarding Lead, and DHCFT Service Manager for Safeguarding
* Dorset Education – Service Manager for Inclusion
* Dorset Education –Service Manager for safeguarding in education.
* Dorset Council – Service Manager lead for Extra Familial Harm
* Dorset Council Service Manager- lead for Missing.
* Dorset Council – Service Manager- lead for Young and Thriving.
* Dorset Combined Youth Justice Service, Team Manager.
* Adult safeguarding.
* REACH.
* Dorset Police- Prevention Department.

**Frequency and Duration of the meeting.**

This meeting will meet monthly.

**Data Protection**

This meeting will share information in line with current Pan Dorset Information Sharing Protocols and within the guidance and scope of the Data Protection Act 2018

**Agenda Template.**

**Date: Chair:**

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| **No.** | **Item** | **Attached papers** | **Lead** |
| **1.** | **Introductions and apologies -** *(standing agenda item)* |  |  |
| **2.** | **Minutes of last Meeting and Action Tracker -** *(standing agenda item)* |  |  |
| **3.** | **Update from EFRH Panel –** *(standing agenda item) including themes, trends, referral data and locations.* |  |  |
| **4.** | **Complex case referrals from EFRH Panel by exception.** (*Standing agenda item).* |  |  |
| **5.** | **Joint Missing Child Update.** |  |  |
| **6.** | **Childrens Social Care Update including Dashboard -** *(standing agenda item)* |  |  |
| **7.** | **Police Safeguarding Hub Update.**   * Perpetrator Update * High harm children. Top three. * Problem Locations * County Lines/Drugs * Good news stories * High harm children. Top three. |  |  |
| **8.** | **Partners Update, Health, Education, YJS**   * Trends and Data. * Problem Locations * Good news stories |  |  |
| **9.** | **EFRH Champions Update -** *(standing agenda item)*  Feedback from CE coordinators covering themes, perpetrators, areas, and emerging concerns. |  |  |
| **10.** | **EFRH Delivery Plan.** |  |  |
| **11.** | **AOB.** |  |  |
|  | **Next Meeting:**  **Date:**  **Time:**  **Via Microsoft Teams** |  |  |