**Friday 12th February 2016**

**Parenting Assessment Plan for Mr and Ms in Respect of Child**

All sessions will be with Social Worker. A second worker may be present to take notes. All sessions will take place in the family home unless otherwise indicated.

For the purposes of the parenting assessment of Mr and Ms, the Family Assessment (Arnon Bentovim and Liza Bingley Miller) will be used. This tool enables a systematic and detailed assessment of family competence, strengths and difficulties.

The model is designed to link in with the assessment framework. Its principle purpose is as a tool which is based on reliable and well researched instruments and approaches to both interviewing and assessing families. It uses a mixture of interview schedules and family tasks to enable clear evidence based assessment of the family.

**Session 1: Friday 19th February 2016: 3:00 p.m.**

Mapping the problem

**Session 2: Thursday 25th February 2016: 3:30 p.m.**

Family organisation: family adaptability

**Session 3: Monday 29th February 2016: 3:30 p.m.**

Family organisation: parenting

**Session 4: Wednesday 9th March 2016: 3:30 p.m.**

Family character: family communication

**Session 5: Wednesday 16th March 2016: 3:30 p.m.**

Family character: emotional life of the family

**Session 6: Wednesday 23rd March 2016: 3:30 p.m.**

Family character: family alliances and family identity

**Session 7: Session to take place at Bournville Hub**

**Mr : Wednesday 30th March 2016: 10:00 a.m.**

**Ms : Wednesday 30th March 2016: 11:30 a.m.**

Family History

**Session 8: Session to take place at Bournville Hub**

**Mr : Friday 1st April 2016: 10:00 a.m.**

**Ms : Friday 1st April 2016: 11:30 a.m.**

An individual session being offered to give Mr and Ms to explore sole parenting in light of any future separation or possible recommendations arising from the parenting assessment or psychological assessment

**A date will also be set to review the expert assessment with Mr and Ms once the assessment is available.**

**Formal Observation Sessions:**

**Monday 7th March 2016:** Morning routine (1.5 hours)

**Monday 14th March 2016:** Bath time routine (1.5 hours)

**Monday 21st March 2016:** Day to day life (1.5 hours with Ms and 1.5 hours with Mr)

Mr and Ms are requested to provide social worker with the times for observations of morning and bath time routines in order to ensure the observations fit with usual day to day life, and to provide convenient times for the observations of day to day life. Mr and Ms are requested to provide these times within the next 10 days.