



Rutland
County Council

Safeguarding Partners and Local Safeguarding Children Boards

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One of the most prominent *Working Together 2018* changes is the **replacement of Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs)** with Safeguarding Partners.

Safeguarding Partners will consist of local authorities, clinical commissioning groups, and chief officers of police; working with relevant appropriate agencies within their locality to safeguard and protect children. All three Safeguarding Partners have **equal responsibility** for fulfilling their role.

Replace the current Safeguarding Children Board (LRLSCB) by September 2019.

The Department for Education requires we publish multi-agency safeguarding arrangements by June 2019

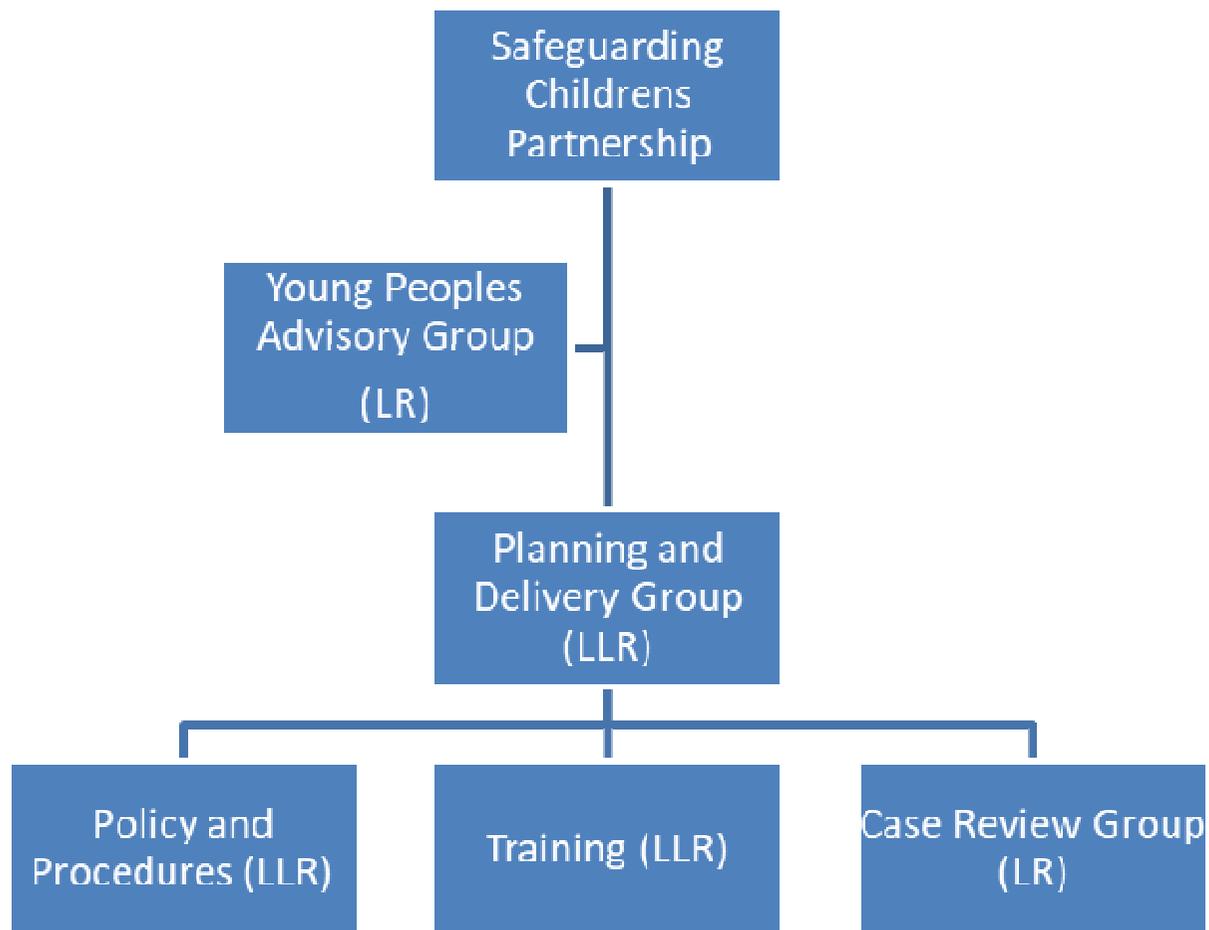


two phase approach will be taken:

Phase one: Governance arrangements completed and published by June 2019 for implementation by 22nd September 2019

Accountability and Governance - Strong leadership is critical and the desired objective is for a leaner system that avoids duplication, has a multi-agency focus, reduces meeting time and ensures a focus on quality and impact on multi-agency practice in frontline services. Work is being finalised by partners on streamlining governance and accountability framework, this will be completed by May 2019.

Independent Scrutiny - The Independent Chair is currently engaging with partners to clearly define the elements of independent scrutiny in the new arrangements. From September 2019 in the new arrangements it is proposed that the current Independent Chair model be adapted to become an Independent Advisor.





Phase Two: After September 2019 - Board Office Function and Resourcing

It is the partnership ambition that the Board Office is a joint office across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland and if possible, across Adults and Children to ensure maximum use of resources.

Funding - Yet to be agreed, but should be equitable and proportionate under the new arrangements. All partners have said they will not provide a greater contribution and will be seeking savings in future years.

Approval of the safeguarding arrangements - The new safeguarding arrangements will be finalised by May 2019 for approval at partnership boards, however elections in Rutland mean we will approve at June cabinet.