

# Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board Newsletter

## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

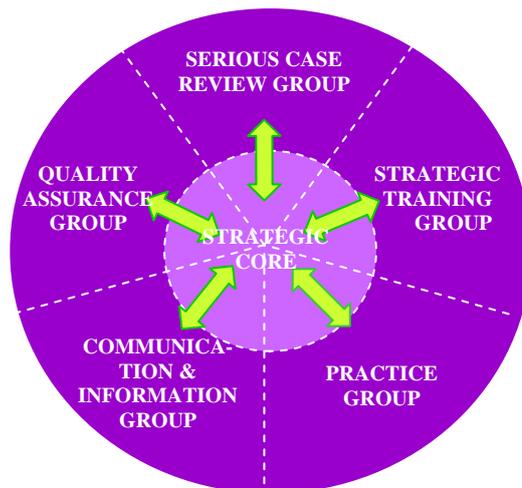
Is this edition 22 or is this edition 1? No this is not a conundrum but an acknowledgement that this is the first newsletter from PSCB and therefore I think we should start from no 1. New colour, and slightly different logo but major changes to the importance of the Board and the breadth of the role.

For future editions we will have the more newsy and longer newsletter which has been our custom but as we are keen to bring you all up to date with all the changes we have just focussed on the Board and the support team.

For future editions if you wish to provide an article of interest on your service please e-mail me as follows: [judy.jones@peterborough.gov.uk](mailto:judy.jones@peterborough.gov.uk) by 1 June 2006.

## PETERBOROUGH SAFEGUARDING BOARD STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP

By now I hope many of you will have seen the "eye" which is the structure of the board.



### STRATEGIC CORE

You will need to know who the representative from your agency is on the Strategic Core as not only will they be an effective motivator for improving Safeguarding practice in Peterborough but they will take issues to the Board and disseminate these decisions within your agency. They are:

**Maureen Phillips**, Children's Services (Specialist Services); **Mel Collins**, Children's Services (Learning and Standards); **Rosemary Woodland**, Community Housing; Det **Superintendent John Raine**, Cambs Constabulary; **Chris Mackett**, National Probation Service, Cambridgeshire; **Brenda Town**, Greater Peterborough Primary Care Partnership; **Mandy Renton**, Peterborough and Stamford NHS Trust; **Karen Bell**, Cambs and Peterborough Mental Health Partnership Trust; **Ann Butler**, Children and Family Court Advisory Support Service; **Bob Footer**, Youth Offending Service; In addition there will be a representative from **Connexions**.

These agencies have been specified in Section 13.3 of the Children Act 2004.

### INDEPENDENT CHAIR

**Barbara Trevanion** has steered us through the transition from ACPC to the establishment of Peterborough Safeguarding Board and she will continue to direct work until June when, following retirement from her present role as Service Manager for Child Protection and Review, **Sue Nash** will take the Independent Chairs role.



## WIDER BOARD MEMBERSHIP

The legislation also allows for local flexibility and the following are also members of the Board.

**Tricia Keogh**, Schools representative; **Joan Tibbs**, Cross Keys Homes; **Lee Mitchell**, NSPCC; **Elizabeth Ingram**, Voluntary Sector Forum; **Karen Osborne**, Domestic Violence Forum; **Harmesh Lakhnpaul**, Peterborough Racial Equality Council; **Prity Patel**, Legal Adviser; **Venkat Reddy**, Designated Doctor; **Helen Herron**, Designated Nurse; **Fran Jones**, Child and Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit; **Sue Nash**, Manager of Child Protection and Child Care Review process.

## SUPPORT TEAM

### Judy Jones, Policy Officer

I have been in post since 1998 when we were the ACPC. Initially my role was to develop and promote the work of the ACPC. I see my role now as supporting all the Chairs and facilitating the work of the Board in its statutory role with its broader responsibilities to safeguard and promote within its new agenda. I am often the first point of contact for the Board.

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### Kay Mayor, Administrator

I am the newest member of the team having started in September 2005. Prior to joining the ACPC / PSCB Team I was the Secretarial Assistant to the Quality & Performance Manager in Children's Specialist Services.

My job is to support Judy and the Board, preparing agenda's, papers, presentations and minutes for meetings and with day to day administration.

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### Charlotte Lucas, Training Co-ordinator

I started working with Peterborough ACPC nearly 4 years ago as a part time member of the team. As the popularity for our training grew so did the need my job role and I have worked on a full time basis for about the last 2 years.

I am your first port of call for any training enquiries, I also help the Training & Development Manager prepare each years training programme. I am also the person that uses all the articles you send in to Judy for our newsletter, I turn them into the finished article you read.

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### Jo Bramwell, Training & Development Manager

I have been in post since 2001. I am responsible for multi agency child protection training across Peterborough. This involves writing and delivering child protection courses and also commissioning training when required. I also manage a training pool of professionals who deliver training on behalf of the LSCB. Under the LSCB I will also be responsible for evaluating single agency child protection training.

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## WEB SITE

This is currently being updated so please bear with us. Presently you can access us at [www.peterborough-acpc.co.uk](http://www.peterborough-acpc.co.uk)  
We are likely to be making changes over the next two or three months so watch this space.

## PUBLIC INFORMATION LEAFLETS

We will be updating and re-branding our leaflets however we will continue to use up existing stocks of our information. The following are available:

- ACPC01** Child Abuse: Your concern?
- ACPC02** The Child Protection Conference & Child Protection Register
- ACPC04** Neglected Children: How can you help?  
Neglect card
- ACPC07** How to complain about a child protection conference
- ACPC08** We want to help you! A guide to child protection enquiries for young people
- ACPC09** What happens in a child protection enquiry? Child protection information for parents and carers
- ACPC10** What is a Child Protection Conference?
- ACPC11** What is an Assessment? A guide for parents & carers
- ACPC12** The Child Protection Conference: a leaflet for parents with learning difficulties
- ACPC13** A Child Protection Enquiry: a leaflet for parents with learning difficulties
- ACPC14** The Child Protection Conference: a leaflet for parents
- ACPC15** A Child Protection Enquiry: a leaflet for parents
- ACPC16** Parenting
- ACPC17** Who's Looking After the Kids?

Plus **Safer Parenting Handbook**

We are currently printing leaflets for schools, children and carers where allegations against school staff have been made.

## INTERAGENCY PROCEDURES

We are still waiting for the final version of Working Together to be published and until then we are not able to completely update our procedures. Please continue to use the ACPC Interagency Procedures and also refer to "What to do if you're worried a Child is being abused". If you have not got a copy of this it can be downloaded from [www.teachernet.gov.uk/publications](http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/publications)

## WIDER BOARD GROUPS

The development work of the board is undertaken within the following interagency groups:

**Strategic Training Group (chaired by Helen Herron - Health)**

**Quality Assurance Group (chaired by Lee Mitchell - NSPCC)**

### **Communication and Information Group (chaired by Fran Jones - Police)**

### **Practice Group (chaired by Sue Nash - Children's Services)**

### **Serious Case Group (chaired by Maureen Phillips - Children's Services)**

Each group has a work plan which will inform the business plan which we aim to complete by June 2006.

**In addition there is an affiliated Child Protection in Sport Group for Peterborough and Cambridgeshire.** As we develop the Board we may increase the numbers of affiliated groups.

### **WORK IN HAND**

- Improving the Child protection Conferencing System
- Working with Domestic Violence Forum to develop a co-ordinated DV strategy for Peterborough
- Developing links with faith communities
- Establishment of a Quality Assurance framework
- Consideration of putting some information onto CD's in other languages

### **TRAINING UPDATE**

#### **2006 TRAINING NEEDS ANALYSIS**

We are currently in the process of putting together the Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board (PSCB) training programme for 2006/2007. We are keen that the programme continues to offer training that is stimulating and helps to improve child protection awareness and practice across all agencies in Peterborough.

To help us ensure that the training we offer meets current needs across Peterborough we are in the process of conducting a Training Needs Analysis. The analysis is not only looking at what courses to offer next year but also the optimum length of courses and the best time for courses to be run, whether this be weekday, weekend or evening.

To date we have sent out 1000 questionnaires to most agencies across Peterborough. If you haven't received a copy of the analysis and you would like to be involved in the process please contact Charlotte Lucas, PSCB Training Co-Ordinator, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bayard Place, Broadway Peterborough, PE1 1FB, email [Charlotte.Lucas@peterborough.gov.uk](mailto:Charlotte.Lucas@peterborough.gov.uk) or telephone 01733 748271.

#### **TRAINING POOL**

Working Together and Every Child Matters clearly highlight the need and benefits of inter agency working and training. By virtue of a mixture of practitioners and managers being part of a training pool current practice can be linked directly to training, and local networking and practice developments can be promoted from a range of different agency perspectives.

PSCB has had a successful pool of trainers for the past 3 years. I am currently in the process of expanding the training pool and am looking for new recruits. I am hoping to get a range of individuals (practitioners, managers and volunteers) who are willing to deliver training on child protection issues both by individually undertaking training and/or by virtue of facilitation at training events.

This is an excellent opportunity for people who have an interest in training to develop their training skills and become involved in inter agency working. If you are interested in joining the pool or would like further information please contact either of the following: Jo Bramwell, PSCB Training & Development Manager, 4 Floor, Bayard Place, PE1 1FB, email [Joanne.Bramwell@peterborough.gov.uk](mailto:Joanne.Bramwell@peterborough.gov.uk) or contact Charlotte Lucas, PSCB Training Co Ordinator, 4 Floor, Bayard Place, Broadway, Peterborough, PE1 1FB, e mail [charlotte.lucas@peterborough.gov.uk](mailto:charlotte.lucas@peterborough.gov.uk)