BERKSHIRE WEST SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARTNERSHIP (BWSCP)
PUBLICATION STATEMENT

Child Safeguarding Practice Review – Harry

The findings of a Child Safeguarding Practice Review (CSPR) have been published by the Berkshire West Safeguarding Children Partnership (BWSCP) today (13 December 2022).

The review was undertaken following an incident of serious youth violence. The purpose was not to investigate the incident or assess if it could have been prevented. It was commissioned by the partnership to see what learning could be identified from different agencies' interaction with one of the perpetrators (known as Harry in the report) and his family prior to the incident.

The review looked at the involvement of different agencies in Harry's life with a particular focus on the provision of services for children with special educational needs and disabilities, school attendance and behaviour and the effectiveness of responses to criminal behaviour.

The BWSCP has published its findings and has made 8 recommendations for the organisations involved in the safeguarding of children locally.

There is a clear and detailed action plan in place. This is being actively progressed by partner agencies within the BWSCP and is overseen and scrutinised by safeguarding leaders.

For questions in relation to this publication, please contact BWSCP@brighterfuturesforchildren.org, who will direct responses.