

Minutes - Doncaster Keeping Safe Forum




Date of meeting: Wednesday 13 January 2021

Time: 10.00am – 11am

Please note: This was a virtual meeting held on Zoom.

People present:

Name	Representing
Natalie Bowler-Smith	Healthwatch Doncaster – facilitator
Emily Green	Healthwatch Doncaster – admin support
Helena Blackburn	Doncaster Housing for Young People (DHYP)
Stacey Lynn	St Leger Homes
Jean Sowley	South Yorkshire Housing Association (SYHA)
Jean Stewart	Enrich
Helen Westerman	Guest speaker - NSPCC
Belinda McCrea	Hillhouse School
Diana Foster	Healthwatch volunteer

<p>1. Welcome & introductions</p> 	<p>Natalie welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.</p> <p>Natalie informed everyone this is the relaunch of the Forum and all meetings moving forward will be virtual through Zoom due to the current situation with Covid-19.</p> <p>Natalie reminded the forum 'If you see something say something'</p>
<p>2. Apologies</p> 	<p>Sue Vestey – Scawthorpe Library Carmelle Harold – Changing Lives</p>
<p>3. Review minutes and actions from the last meeting.</p> 	<p>There were no minutes to review.</p>
<p>Helen Westerman – NSPCC</p>	<p>Helen Westerman, Head of Local Campaigns from NSPCC joined the forum to raise awareness of NSPCC and the services they offer.</p> <p>Online Safety – NSPCC are joint working with O2 who have introduced an online safety campaign and offer a service where you can educate your child about online safety if you buy a phone. This has been introduced due to young people being online more due to pandemic.</p> <p>School service “Speak Out Stay Safe” - Speak out Stay safe is a safeguarding programme for children aged 5- to 11-years-old. It is available to all primary schools in the UK and Channel Islands.</p> <p>Our programme helps children understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • abuse in all its forms and how to recognise signs of abuse • that abuse is never a child’s fault and that they have the right to be safe • where to get help and the sources of help available to them, including our Childline service.

	<p>NSPCC trained staff and volunteers help deliver the programme through workshops. There has been changes to the programme and how it is delivered due to Covid-19 Pandemic. This offer, available for primary schools, includes access to online assemblies and supporting resources which can be used in the classroom.</p> <p>Helen shared that agencies are worried they cannot keep eye on children when working virtually. Police currently raising awareness of landline.</p> <p>NSPCC have had a column in Liverpool Echo with information from Young people's own experience of lockdown by taking photos throughout Pandemic to show what its' been like for them.</p> <p>Helen shared an ongoing barrier that children face by not speaking out, they feel it may make the situation worse within their family causing them to feel more isolated. To help break this barrier NSPCC have introduced 30+ online training and support materials for families that show the process of the phone call made to NSPCC to prevent children and families being nervous to make contact.</p> <p>Training is also available for frontline staff who work in the community and for those who visit people's homes called 'It's Your Call'.</p> <p>Calm Zone – NSPCC have launched Calm Zone on their website giving advice, activities and games for children and young people to let go of stress. Natalie added this to be linked to Daily Dose Healthwatch's main engagement platform during the pandemic on 15th February Safeguarding event week with a supporting theme on Mental Health week.</p>
Any Other Business	<p>The forum had a discussion around Scams and Cyber Crime as this is increasing due to more people using online services and being online.</p> <p>Date of Next meeting: Wednesday 17th February at 10am through Zoom: 847 915 9356</p>
Close	<p>Meeting closed at 11am.</p>