**Early Years Safeguarding**

**Information Summary -** *Important contacts and links*

[**Safeguarding and welfare contact numbers poster**](https://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/resources/safeguarding-and-welfare/)

**Child Protection**

* Solihull Children’s Social Work Services MASH Team - 0121 788 4300
* Emergency Duty Team (EDT) - 0121 605 6060

[**Multi-agency referral form**](https://digital.solihull.gov.uk/ChildrensSocialWorkServiceReferral/)

* Solihull Local Authority Designated Officer (**LADO**)
* [**lado@solihull.gov.uk**](mailto:lado@solihull.gov.uk) - 0121 788 4310 / 07795128638
* Extremism - concern about a child/young person or adult at risk
* Natasha Chamberlain - Senior Adviser **0121 704 6620**
* Lisa Morris - Early Years Team Manager **0121 704 6150**
* WMCTU Prevent Team: **0121 251 0241**
* Referral email address:[**ctu-gateway@west-midlands.pnn.police.uk**](mailto:ctu-gateway@west-midlands.pnn.police.uk)

**Local police contacts**

* West Midlands Police Early Help Team [Solihull]
* Email address: [SH\_EARLYHELP@westmidlands.police.uk](mailto:SH_EARLYHELP@westmidlands.police.uk)
* School Intervention & Prevention – [sh\_school@westmidlands.police.uk](mailto:sh_school@westmidlands.police.uk)
* Vulnerable adult – [sh\_vulnerableadult@westmidlands.police.uk](mailto:sh_vulnerableadult@westmidlands.police.uk)
* [West Midlands Police Intel Form / FIB](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/multi-agency-procedures-and-practice-guidance/exploitation/west-midlands-police-intel-form/) **–** Guidance and information
* Email address: [C8\_FIBDEPT@westmidlands.police.uk](mailto:C8_FIBDEPT@westmidlands.police.uk)
* [Force Information Bureau [FIB] Form](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2023/07/21JUN23-FIB-Form.docx)

**Other useful contacts**

* Solihull Refugee support - [refugees@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:refugees@solihull.gov.uk)

**Early Years Team Safeguarding Contacts**

***Solihull Early Years and Childcare Team***

* Marion Dempsey ([marion.dempsey@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:marion.dempsey@solihull.gov.uk)) Safeguarding champion
* Lisa Morris ([lmorris@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:lmorris@solihull.gov.uk)) Team Manager
* Solihull Early Years Enquiries - 0121 704 6150 [eyenquiries@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:eyenquiries@solihull.gov.uk)

**Early Years Safeguarding Representatives** *Private, Voluntary and Independent*

[**Neglect Champions**](https://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/resources/safeguarding-and-welfare/) **-** *Please contact for information sharing and guidance.*

* + - **Sue Evans & Gina Godwin, Wise Owls Nursery**

Telephone: 0121 779 6519 Email: [wise\_owls@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:wise_owls@hotmail.co.uk)

* + - **Sarah Stroud, In the woods Day Nursery**

**Telephone: 0121 717 7132 Email:** [inthewoodsnursery@gmail.com](mailto:inthewoodsnursery@gmail.com)

* + - **Lynne Townend, Playpals Nursery**

Telephone: 0121 703 0618 Email: [playpalsnursery@gmail.com](mailto:playpalsnursery@gmail.com)

**Safeguarding procedures, guidance and resources**

* [Regional child protection procedures for the West Midlands](https://westmidlands.procedures.org.uk/)
* [Solihull Safeguarding Children Partnership (SSCP)](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/) for:
  + [Practitioners’ toolbox](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/multi-agency-procedures-and-practice-guidance/practitioners-tool-box/)
  + [Thresholds guidance](https://westmidlands.procedures.org.uk/local-content/2gjN/thresholds-guidance/?b=Solihull%20%20%20%20%20%20%20%20%20%20Manage%20Cookie%20Consent%20%20We%20use%20some%20necessary%20cookies%20to%20make%20this%20website%20work.We%27d%20like%20to%20set%20additional%20cookies%20to%20understand%20how%20you%20use%20the%20site,%20remember%20your%20settings%20and%20improve%20the%20website.See%20our%20full%20cookie%20policy%20for%20more%20information%20which%20includes%20a%20list%20of%20all%20of%20the%20cookies%20we%20use.%20%20%20%20%20%20Accept%20additional%20cookies%20%20%20%20Reject%20additional%20cookies%20%20%20%20%20%20%20%20Cookie%20Policy%20%20%20%20Manage%20Consent)
  + [Early help](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/multi-agency-procedures-and-practice-guidance/early-help/)– [guidance](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwestmidlands.procedures.org.uk%2Fassets%2Fclients%2F6%2FEarly%2520help%2520Guidance%252022.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK) and [procedures](https://westmidlands.procedures.org.uk/assets/clients/6/Solihull%20Early%20Help%20Procedure%2022.docx)
  + [Neglect](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/multi-agency-procedures-and-practice-guidance/neglect-strategy/) - guidance and screening tool
  + [Dispute resolution procedures](https://westmidlands.procedures.org.uk/assets/clients/6/SSCP%20Dispute%20Resolution%20Escalation%20Procedures%20-%20Nov%202023%20v2.pdf), and [template](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwestmidlands.procedures.org.uk%2Fassets%2Fclients%2F6%2F(LSCP)%2520Dispute%2520Resolution%2520Process%2520Template%252022.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK) – to help if you have a disagreement with a professional from another agency about a case.
  + [Emergency resolution procedure](https://westmidlands.procedures.org.uk/assets/clients/6/(LSCP)%20Emergency%20Resolution%20Procedure%2022.docx)  – If a professional and their line manager agree that child / children are **likely to suffer significant harm with the next 24 hours and their dispute is still on-going**then they may need to refer to this procedure.
* [**The SSCP /SSAB Safeguarding Practice Learning Forum**](https://training.solihulllscp.co.uk/learning_faculty.aspx)

The aim and purpose of the Safeguarding Practice Learning Forum to bring together practitioners and managers from the adults and children’s workforce ensure that they are sufficiently equipped by way of local and national knowledge and skills to enhance safeguarding practice and thereby promote positive safeguarding outcomes for children, young people and adults with care and support needs.

**Training Requirements, Recommendations and Resources**

* [SSCP Training Strategy](https://training.solihulllscp.co.uk/images/Solihull%20Safeguarding%20Children%20Partnership%20Training%20Strategy%2023%20(final).pdf)
* [SSCP training portal](https://training.solihulllscp.co.uk/Learning-and-Development.aspx)
* [Solihull Early Years Team Training](https://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/training/safeguarding-training/)
* [Safeguarding and welfare frequently asked questions](https://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/safeguarding-frequently-asked-questions/)

**Early Years DSL briefings:**

Held termly – more information can be found on our EYC Solgrid webpages [click here](https://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/training/safeguarding-training/designated-safeguarding-lead-dsl-briefs/). They include:

* National and local updates
* Guest Speakers and Safeguarding focus on current topic & themes
* Opportunity for providers to share information that can be taken to the Early Years and Education Safeguarding Subgroup meetings.

**Solihull Early Years and Childcare (EYC) Website**

Click here to view [Safeguarding and Welfare Resources](https://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/resources/safeguarding-and-welfare/)

* Solihull information
* Training
* Neglect Champions
* Policies and procedures
* Support and guidance
* National guidance
* Online Safety / Health and Safety / Food Safety

**Training Summary**

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| **Statutory & Recommended** | **Multi-agency – Solihull Safeguarding Children Partnership** | |
| DSLs/deputy DSLs  *Incl. mangers if not DSL* | [**SSCP**](https://training.solihulllscp.co.uk/Course/CoursesDetailListing.aspx) **training portal** modules 1 & 2 when new to role or new to Solihull | |
| 3-6 hrs/one module SSCP training per year minimum relevant to the needs of your setting and shared with staff. *For example* - further understanding and knowledge of neglect, physical, emotional, sexual and domestic abuse.  [**SSCP**](https://training.solihulllscp.co.uk/Course/CoursesDetailListing.aspx) **training portal** | |
| Managing allegations training – no specific requirement for renewal but we suggest at least every 3 years or sooner if there are legislative changes. | |
| [Safer Recruitment Training](https://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/training/safeguarding-training/safer-recruitment-training/) – no specific requirement for renewal but we suggest at least every 3 years or sooner if there are legislative changes. | |
| **Early Years additional training options and key information** | **Important documents:**  [Early Years Foundation Stage Framework](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1170108/EYFS_framework_from_September_2023.pdf) *Section 3 – The safeguarding and welfare requirements*  [Working together to safeguard children](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5fd0a8e78fa8f54d5d6555f9/Working_together_to_safeguard_children_inter_agency_guidance.pdf)  [Keeping children safe in education](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/keeping-children-safe-in-education--2)  [Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) Brief](https://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/training/safeguarding-training/designated-safeguarding-lead-dsl-briefs/)  [New to / Refresher for Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) Training](https://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/training/safeguarding-training/new-to-refresher-for-designated-safeguarding-leads-dsl-training/)  [Safeguarding children and protecting professionals in early years settings: online safety considerations](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/safeguarding-children-and-protecting-professionals-in-early-years-settings-online-safety-considerations) for managers  [Child Protection Medical Assessment Pathway](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/multi-agency-procedures-and-practice-guidance/child-protection-medical-assessment-pathway/) and [Child Protection Medicals - Multi-agency training](https://youtu.be/pC28E3TTrjk?si=w57vtT2v_rmis31R) Video  [Prevent awareness training](https://educateagainsthate.com/prevent-training/) | |
| **ALL**  EY practitioners / Staff working in Early Years and Childcare | Inhouse Safeguarding training | [Safeguarding Awareness Training](https://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/training/safeguarding-training/8210-2/)  [Prevent awareness training](https://educateagainsthate.com/prevent-training/)  [Adverse Childhood Effects Training](https://www.acesonlinelearning.com/)  [Child Protection Medical Assessment Pathway](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/multi-agency-procedures-and-practice-guidance/child-protection-medical-assessment-pathway/) and [Child Protection Medicals - Multi-agency training](https://youtu.be/pC28E3TTrjk?si=w57vtT2v_rmis31R) Video  Online Safety  [Safeguarding children and protecting professionals in early years settings: online safety considerations](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/safeguarding-children-and-protecting-professionals-in-early-years-settings-online-safety-considerations) for practitioners  <https://help-for-early-years-providers.education.gov.uk/safeguarding-and-welfare/internet-safety> |

**School and Education safeguarding – contacts and useful information**

* Clair McNeill [cmcneill@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:cmcneill@solihull.gov.uk) is the Head of Service for Education Outcomes and Intervention.
* Natasha Chamberlain [nchamberlain@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:nchamberlain@solihull.gov.uk) takes the lead on safeguarding within the team.
* Solihull Education Improvement and Early Years’ Service 0121 704 6620 [seis@soilhull.gov.uk](mailto:seis@soilhull.gov.uk)
* Solihull Early Years Enquiries Service 0121 704 6150 [eyenquiries@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:eyenquiries@solihull.gov.uk)

[**Solihull Safeguarding Children Partnership**](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/) **– education representation**

Multi-agency safeguarding arrangements in Solihull are currently under [**review**](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/about-the-local-safeguarding-children-partnership/what-is-the-local-safeguarding-children-partnership/multi-agency-safeguarding-arrangements-in-solihull/).

Whilst not a statutory partner (health, police and Children’s Services) in these arrangements, education continues its strong history of engagement with providers through the Education and early years safeguarding subgroup. Your education SSCP executive representatives are:

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| Dave Evans (Deputy head, Langley Secondary School) | [**s206devans@langley.solihull.sch.uk**](mailto:s206devans@langley.solihull.sch.uk) |
| Jane Taylor (Headteacher, Windy Arbor Primary School) | [**s56jtaylor@windy-arbor.solihull.sch.uk**](mailto:s56jtaylor@windy-arbor.solihull.sch.uk) |

The sub-group is chaired by Clair McNeill/Natasha Chamberlain with Donna O’Carroll providing admin support. Advisers from the school improvement team (usually Clair or Natasha) represent education on many of the groups that sit under the executive group. This is the current [**structure**](https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2022/11/LSCP-Structure-Chart-September-22.pdf) but it is under review.

The subgroup meet half termly virtually. Schools, colleges and early years are represented at the group through delegates identified by the various networks they attend. For 2023-24, your representatives are:

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| **Network** | **Representative** | **Contact details** |
| **Early Years VPI** | **Lynne Townend** | [**playpalsnursery@gmail.com**](mailto:playpalsnursery@gmail.com) |
| Synergy | Sara Wilkes | [**s45swilkes@sharmans-cross.solihull.sch.uk**](mailto:s45swilkes@sharmans-cross.solihull.sch.uk) |
| Mosaic | Emily Hume | [**s19ehume@damson-wood.solihull.sch.uk**](mailto:s19ehume@damson-wood.solihull.sch.uk) |
| Rural | Ros Ashe | [**s22rashe@dorridge.solihull.sch.uk**](mailto:s22rashe@dorridge.solihull.sch.uk) |
| North Solihull Schools | Jane Taylor | [**s56jtaylor@windy-arbor.solihull.sch.uk**](mailto:s56jtaylor@windy-arbor.solihull.sch.uk) |
| Evolve | Ros Fitter  Jo Callender | [**S49rfitter@tidbury-green.solihull.sch.uk**](mailto:S49rfitter@tidbury-green.solihull.sch.uk)  [**s41jcallender@mill-lodge.solihull.sch.uk**](mailto:s41jcallender@mill-lodge.solihull.sch.uk) |
| Special schools and AP | Trevor Scott | [**t.scott@castlewoodschool.co.uk**](mailto:t.scott@castlewoodschool.co.uk) |
| North Solihull secondary DSLs | Claire Webb | [**cwebb@jhncc.org**](mailto:cwebb@jhncc.org) |
| South Solihull secondary DSLs | Dave Evans | [**s206devans@langley.solihull.sch.uk**](mailto:s206devans@langley.solihull.sch.uk) |

We expect representatives to provide you with feedback from the subgroup meetings and seek your input when required through collaborative or other network meetings. We ask that you contact your representative if there are any issues that you are facing which could be supported by better partnership working and fall outside of the dispute resolution process that you may be using at an individual case level.