

Job Title:	Grade/ Level:	Post Number:
Note Taker	K	AO00032
Core Group/Pre Proceedings		
Directorate:	Job Family:	Date Prepared:
Children's Services	Admin/ Children's Services /	Updated March 2021
	Social Care	

Role reports to (Job Title): Business Support Team Leader

#### Job Purpose:

The Core minute takers will be expected to attend multi agency meetings, namely Core Groups meetings and take minutes of the meetings directly onto the templates. These will then be considered by the Social Worker/Team Manager prior to being sent out.

The Core Groups are part of the child protection process, for children on a child protection plan the Core Group which includes parents and relevant professionals, consider the child protection plan and progress, identifying any barriers to ensure children safety and welfare is maintained. These meetings are either held virtually, or onsite at one of our sites.

The Core Groups are coordinated through social work teams.

The Pre proceedings meetings are part of the PLO process, which is a legal process to divert from needing to initiate care proceedings. The meetings are usually held virtually or on the civic campus.

The meetings are held with social worker, legal representation, parents, developing and progressing plans to safeguard children. The pre proceedings meetings are coordinated through our legal team.

# **Key Accountabilities:**

- 1. Attend meetings as required, and take notes. Compile and produce a clear and agreed record of the meeting action points for circulation within Children Services and to external agencies and families, where appropriate, within procedural deadlines.
- 2. Note take directly to laptop when possible to ensure the quickest turnaround and distribution of Meeting Notes.
- 3. Gather information from Care Director for meetings with other professionals as required. Ensure that Managers have relevant information in correct format for required meeting.
- 4. Respond immediately to requests by Managers or professionals from designated agencies for Strategy Discussions.

- 5. Maintain the Referral Team Database to inform monthly, quarterly and annual central government statistics. Provide statistics when requested.
- 6. Maintain knowledge of current developments around use of information technology.
- 7. Maintain the confidentiality of client information, ensuring that correspondence has correct addresses and labels.
- 8. Contribute to effective and efficient service delivery according to the priorities, policies and procedures laid down by the Local Safeguarding Children's Board.
- 9. Administration of Care Panels ensuring these run on time, and ensuring the papers and trackers are updated on time,

#### **Supplementary Accountabilities:**

1. Carries out duties as required by the Business Support Team Leader commensurate with the grade of the post.

Job Scope: Number and type of jobs managed:
Not applicable

Budget: Not applicable

Typical tasks supervised/allocated to others:
Not applicable

Assets: Not applicable

# **Knowledge and Experience:**

- High level of typing touch typing preferred
- Typing speed of 60 wpm minimum
- High standard of English grammar and punctuation
- High level of competency in the use of information technology
- At least 3 years' experience of working in a clerical role
- Good communication skills and telephone manner
- Ability to cope with the constant pressure of working to procedural deadlines
- Because of the nature of the meetings and the need for comprehensive notes, the jobholder has to be able to concentrate very closely on what is being said and to record this accurately.

### **Decision Making:**

- Ability to work under minimum supervision and use judgement, skills and expertise to compile and produce a clear and agreed record of actions for circulation within Children Services and to external agencies and families, where appropriate
- Ability to prioritise own workload, responding to conflicting pressures
- Across all aspects of the position, to make an informed decision and to consult with a Manager, on what information can be given to another person either within or outside of Children Services

# **Contacts and Relationships:**

- Maintain constructive working relationships with Social Work staff within Children Services
- Regular liaison with professionals in other agencies at all levels

# **Creativity and Innovation:**

 Ability to constantly review the procedures around setting up meetings by regular liaison with Team Administration Officers, Team Manager and Independent Reviewing Managers

#### **Values and Behaviours**

We strive to underpin our culture of being 'At our Best' through strong management and authentic leadership. This means getting the management basics right. We own and demonstrate accountability, both individually and collectively, and aim to get things right first time. Building on this we also expect everyone at SBC to demonstrate and live our organisational values and behaviours, by displaying:

- Accountability at all levels
- Customer care and pride in what we do
- Continuous learning and evaluation
- Valuing one another and the contribution each of us makes

In accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998, job holders should take reasonable care to ensure that personal data is not disclosed outside Council procedures, or use personal data held on others for their own purposes. In accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, ensure requests for non-personal information are dealt with in accordance with the Council's written procedures.

Employee Signature:		
Print Name:	Date	
Line Manager's Signature		
Print Name:	Date:	