

# Arrangements for the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership



# Introduction

This document sets out the new Multi-Agency Safeguarding Arrangements for North Yorkshire, following the publication of Working Together to Safeguard Children, July 2018 (WTSC,18).

The three safeguarding partners who are responsible for the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Arrangements in North Yorkshire are the Chief Executive of North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC), the Accountable Officer of the Clinical Commissioning Group's (CCG) and the Chief Constable of North Yorkshire Police (NYP). It has been agreed within North Yorkshire that the lead officers will delegate their function to the following Officers:



**Stuart Carlton**  
Director of Children Services  
North Yorkshire County Council



**Sue Peckitt**  
Executive Nurse, North Yorkshire  
Clinical Commissioning Groups



**Phill Cain**  
Deputy Chief Constable,  
North Yorkshire Police

The nominated senior officer in their agency will have responsibility and authority for ensuring full participation of these arrangements.

The purpose of these Multi-Agency Safeguarding Arrangements are to support and enable local organisations and agencies to work together in a system where:

- Children are safeguarded and their welfare promoted;
- Partner organisations and agencies collaborate, share and co-own the vision for how to achieve improved outcomes for vulnerable children;
- Organisations and agencies challenge appropriately and hold one another to account effectively;
- There is early identification and analysis of new safeguarding issues and emerging threats;
- Learning is promoted and embedded in a way that local services for children and families can become more reflective and implement changes to practice;
- Information is shared effectively to facilitate more accurate and timely decision making for children and families.

In order to work together effectively, the safeguarding partners with other local organisations and agencies will develop processes that:

- Facilitate and drive action beyond usual institutional and agency constraints and boundaries;
- Ensure the effective protection of children is founded on practitioners developing lasting and trusting relationships with children and their families.

To be effective, these arrangements will link in with other local strategic partnership work which support children and families. This will include other public boards including: North Yorkshire Health and Wellbeing Board, North Yorkshire Adult Safeguarding Board, North Yorkshire Channel Panel, North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership, the Local Family Justice Board and MAPPA Senior Management Board.

# Partnership Name and Geography



## England's Largest County

803,761  
Hectares

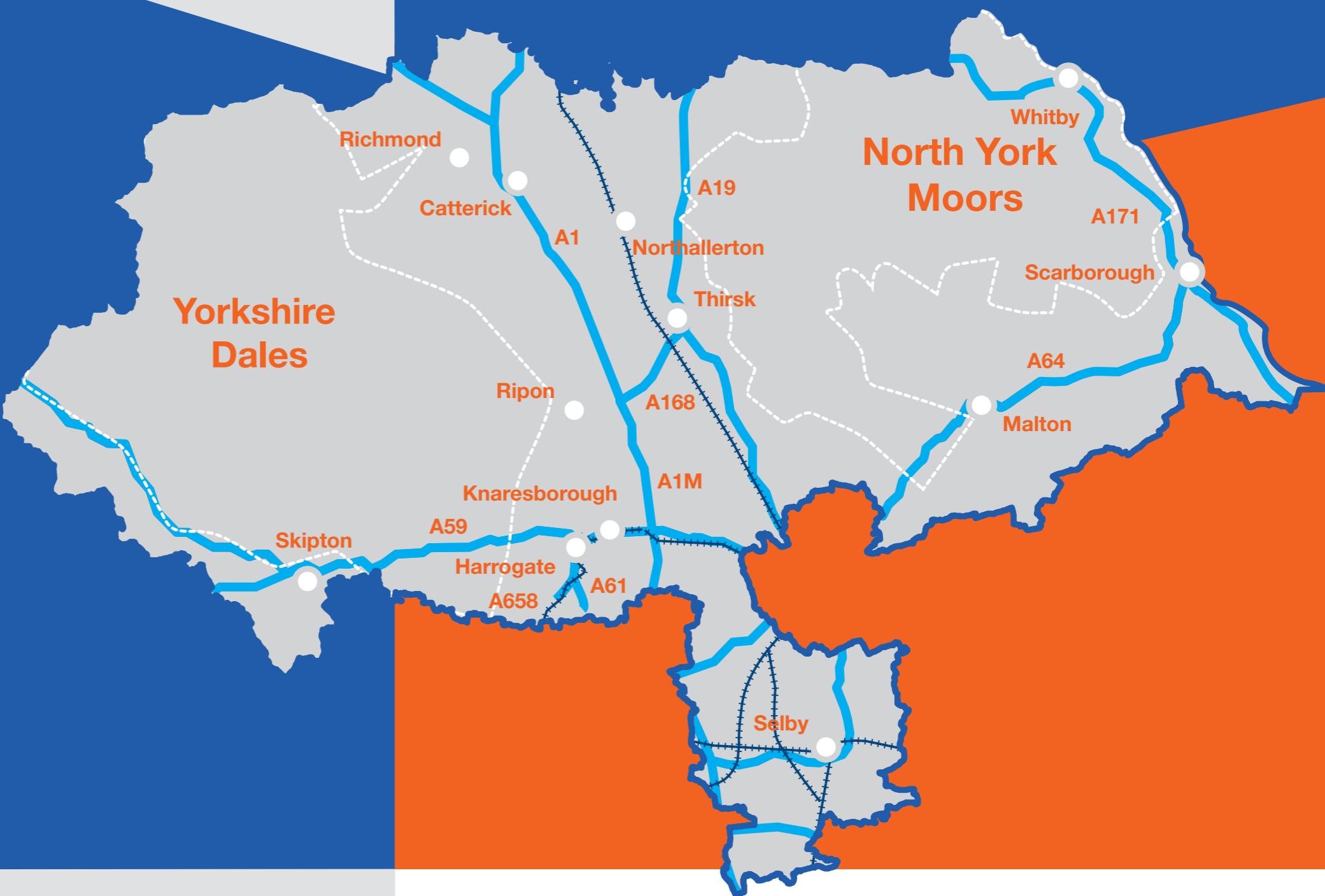
3,103<sup>2</sup>  
Miles

604,900  
Residents

The North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Board (NYSCB) and the North Yorkshire Children's Trust will change its name to North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NYSCP).

The North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership will operate in the county of North Yorkshire. North Yorkshire is the biggest geographical county in England at 803,761 hectares (approximately 3,100 square miles). Although the county is large, it is sparsely populated with approximately 604,900 residents (ONS population estimate) based in a variety of urban and rural communities. North Yorkshire stretches across the country from the North Sea coast to within 12 miles of Morecambe Bay, and from south of the M62 to the edge of Teesside. Most of the children and young people resident in North Yorkshire have a rural upbringing with farming being the main industry. Children growing up in the county enjoy the beautiful countryside although many children and young people also grow up in the many market towns and smaller communities within the county. Due to the sparse nature of most of the county, children and young people can feel isolated due to the long distances they have to travel to meet friends or use amenities.

The NYSCP will amalgamate the functions of both the North Yorkshire Children's Trust and the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Board and will work to the Young and Yorkshire 2 Strategy which will be refreshed and updated to reflect the merger over the coming months.



# Relevant Agencies

Relevant agencies are those organisations and agencies (whose involvement) that the safeguarding partners consider to safeguard and promote the welfare of local children. Strong effective multi-agency arrangements are ones that are responsive to local circumstances and engage the right people.

Relevant agencies in North Yorkshire have been identified to include but not exclusively so:

Education and Early Years
All Education Setting (Maintained, Academies, Independent, FE, HE)
All Early Years Setting
Health
Tees Esk Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust
Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust
Bradford District Care NHS Foundation Trust
York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
Primary Health Care (Pharmacy, Opticians)
General Practitioners
Yorkshire Ambulance Service
Humber Teaching NHS Foundation Trust
Airedale, Wharfedale and Craven CCG
Morecambe Bay CCG
South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Airedale NHS Foundation Trust
Child Death Review Partnership
Vocare
Spectrum Community Health CIC
NHS England
Criminal Justice
CAFCASS
National Probation Service
Community Rehabilitation Company

Voluntary Sector
NSPCC
Community First Yorkshire
Compass
Commissioned services
Other voluntary sector groups by discussion and representation
Local Government
District Councils
Youth Justice Board
Department for Work and Pensions (JCP)
North Yorkshire County Council Public Health
North Yorkshire County Council Health and Adult Service
Public Services
British Transport Police
Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner
North Yorkshire Fire Service
Army Welfare Service
Army Foundation College
Wider Partnership Engagement Groups
Faith Groups
Lay Members
Youth Voice Executive
NYCC Lead Member for Children and Young People's Service
NYCC Lead Member for Schools
NYCC Children's Champion

# Vision and Values

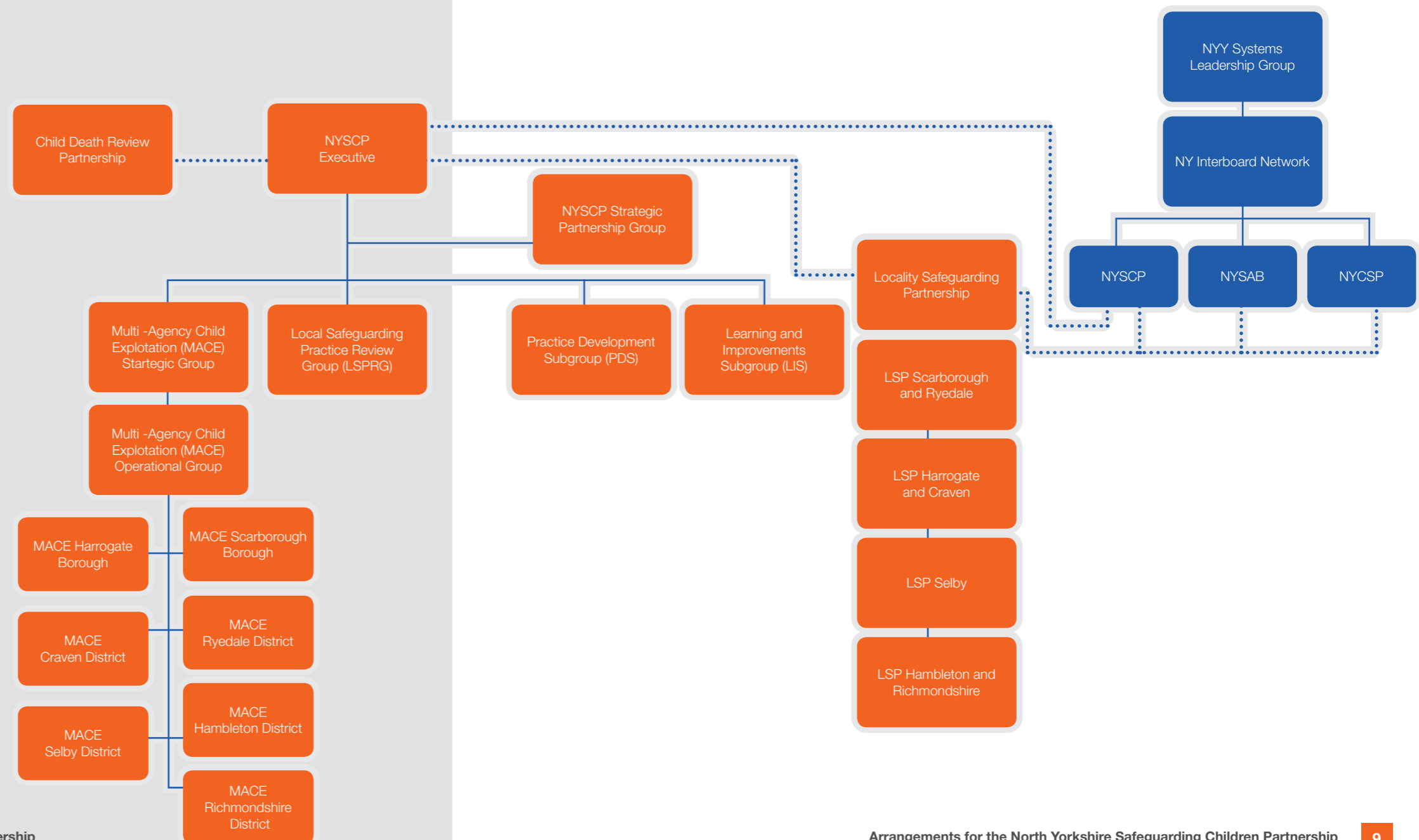
As NYSCP will adopt the Young and Yorkshire Strategy developed by the Children's Trust which set out the plan for all children, young people and families living in North Yorkshire. There will be a refresh of the strategy to include a focus upon Safeguarding.

The Young and Yorkshire Strategic headings will be amended to Safe, Happy, Healthy and Achieving.

The Vision, Values and Priorities will be developed at the first meeting of the NYSCP Strategic Partnership Group on the 22nd July 2019.

## Structure of Partnership

The following structure chart outlines the new proposed arrangements for the NYSCP. The following arrangements identify the safeguarding partnership structure to ensure partner work together and respond to the needs of children in the area.



## NYSCP Executive

### Overview:

To provide the strategic direction for the NYSCP in line with national, regional and local objectives and priorities. This will be lead through the NYSCP Young and Yorkshire Strategy and NYSCP Work Plan and reviewed in the yearly report regarding progress against the priorities. The group will maintain and develop links with all current and potential partnership agencies such as Health and Wellbeing Board, Community Safety Partnership, Systems Leadership Group MAPPA SMB and Safeguarding Adult Board. Reporting from the Chairs of the Subgroup Group will be tabled at the Executive where the chair will provide progress to the work plan/priorities.

**Frequency:** Bi monthly (6 times a year)

**Length:** 3hrs

**Chair:** Independent Scrutineer (Chair)

### Membership:

Organisation	Role
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Independent Scrutineer (Chair)
North Yorkshire County Council	Director of Children's Services
North Yorkshire County Council	Assistant Director, Children and Families Service
North Yorkshire Police	Assistant Chief Constable
Clinical Commissioning Group	Executive Nurse
Clinical Commissioning Group	Designated Nurse Safeguarding Children and Children in Care
District Councils	CEO District Council Rep
Education Learning Trust	Education
Voluntary Sector	Community First Yorkshire
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Safeguarding Partnership Manager

## NYSCP Strategic Partnership Group

**Overview:** Bringing together all the members of the Executive with the relevant agencies to consider local priorities and national themes which will inform the NYSCP in delivering the priorities set out in Young and Yorkshire.

**Frequency:** Twice a year

**Length:** 7 hrs

**Chair:** Independent Scrutineer (Chair)

**Membership:** All Relevant Agencies

## Local Safeguarding Practice Review Group (LSPRG)

### Overview:

In accordance with the Children and Social Work Act 2017 the LSPRG is the arrangement by which Local Safeguarding partners will;

- Identify serious safeguarding cases which raise issues of importance in relation to the area
- For those cases to be reviewed under the supervision of the safeguarding partners, where they consider it appropriate to identify any improvements that should be made by persons in the area to safeguard and promote the welfare of children (Children and Social Work Act 2017).

**Frequency:** Quarterly (4 times a year)

**Length:** 2 hrs

**Chair:** Designated Doctor for Safeguarding

### Membership:

Organisation	Role
Clinical Commissioning Group	Designated Doctor for Safeguarding Children and Children in Care (Chair)
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Safeguarding Partnership Manager
North Yorkshire Police	Detective Superintendent
Clinical Commissioning Group	Designated Nurse Safeguarding Children and Children in Care
North Yorkshire County Council	Safeguarding Unit Manager
North Yorkshire County Council	Head of Safeguarding
NHS Foundation Trust Tees Esk and Wear Valley	Head of Safeguarding
Harrogate District NHS Foundation Trust	HDFT Head of Safeguarding
	Additional invited member*

\* Additional invited members will be identified from any of the relevant agencies when considering cases for possible LSPR to ensure that any relevant agencies are included.

The LSPRG process maps identify the agreed processes for considering serious incident notifications as outlined in WTSC 18.

The NYSCP will instigate the rapid review process upon a notification being made by the local authority and comply with the requirements of the Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel (The Panel) about whether a Local or National review is required.

Upon a review being commissioned the NYSCP will recruit an independent reviewer to undertake the child practice review or other local review as identified.

It is the expectation that reviews and or learning areas will be published to ensure wider multi-agency learning is shared with the wider partnership.

## Practice and Development Subgroup (PDS)

### Overview:

The Practice Development Subgroup will:

- Assure and contribute to the development of strategic and operational child safeguarding practices in line with National and NYSCP Priorities.
- Provide challenge and hold partners and commissioned services to account with respect to Safeguarding Children practice.
- Where appropriate identify, initiate and take a lead on portfolio areas in relation to Safeguarding Children practice.
- Where appropriate appoint a lead officer with responsibility for identified portfolio work relating to Safeguarding Children practice.
- Where appropriate set up task and finish groups, with specific end dates, to action and conclude portfolio work relating to Safeguarding Children practice.
- Deliver additional responsibilities as directed by the NYSCP Executive Group.
- Maintain strong links, via the NYSCP Executive Group and other channels.

**Frequency:** Quarterly

**Length:** 3hrs

**Chair:** Designated Nurse Safeguarding Children and Children in Care

### Membership:

Organisation	Role
Tees Esk and Wear Valley	Named Nurse Safeguarding Children Team
North Yorkshire County Council	Healthy Outcomes Commissioning Manager
York Teaching Hospital Foundation Trust	Head of Safeguarding Children
North Yorkshire County Council	Safeguarding Unit Manager
Harrogate District Foundation Trust	Named Nurse, Safeguarding Children
Clinical Commissioning Group	Nurse Consultant Safeguarding Children & Adults, Primary Care
Harrogate District Foundation Trust	0-19 Service Lead
North Yorkshire County Council	Public Health, Health Improvement Manager
Community First Yorkshire	Voluntary Sector
Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner	Commissioning Manager
North Yorkshire County Council	Head of Disabled Children's Services
Clinical Commissioning Group	Designated Nurse Safeguarding Children and Children in Care
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Safeguarding Partnership Manager
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Policy & Development Officer
National Probation Service	Manager
North Yorkshire County Council	Head of Safer Communities, NYCC
North Yorkshire Police	NYP Detective Chief Inspector
Cafcass	Service Manager, Cafcass
North Yorkshire County Council	Education & Skills
North Yorkshire County Council	Senior Strategy and Performance Officer, CYPS
North Yorkshire County Council	Head of Early Years, NYCC
Community Rehabilitation Company	Interchange Manager, CRC

## Learning and Improvement Subgroup (LIS)

### Overview:

Learning and Improvement Subgroup will:

- Be proactive in identifying, reporting and acting upon any appropriate examples of national learning, innovation and good practice in relation to safeguarding children on behalf of the NYSCP
- Review and analyse the NYSCP Multi-Agency Dataset and identify any performance, themes, trends and actions accordingly including challenge where appropriate
- Maintain the NYSCP Learning and Improvement Framework which is shared across agencies to enable organisations to be clear about their responsibilities, to learn from experience, to learn from good practice (positive and negative) and to improve services as a result
- Plan, coordinate, commission, and evaluate the impact of multi-agency safeguarding training and conferences
- In accordance with the NYSCP's Learning and Improvement Framework commission audits and research regarding significant themes arising from performance information, serious incident review outcomes and learning needs analysis. These will include but are not limited to:
  - Audits of agency compliance with their responsibilities as outlined in Working Together (2018)
  - Case file audits
  - Practitioner audits
  - School and Early Years audits
  - Partner audits where directed by NYSCP
- Analyse information from single and multi-agency audits and report any key learning themes to the NYSCP Executive and Practice Development subgroup
- Monitor, and where appropriate, direct the implementation of recommendations arising from audit activity, Safeguarding Practice Reviews or other forms of learning reviews
- Undertake any additional action as directed by the NYSCP Executive.

**Frequency:** Quarterly

**Length:** 3 hours

**Chair:** Head of Safeguarding, Children and Families Service

### Membership:

Organisation	Role
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Safeguarding Partnership Manager
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Policy & Development Officer
North Yorkshire County Council	Head of Safeguarding, CFS
Tees Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust	Head of Safeguarding
York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	Head of Safeguarding Children
National Probation Service	Senior Probation Officer
North Yorkshire Police	Detective Chief Inspector
Harrogate District NHS Foundation Trust	Named Nurse, Safeguarding Children
North Yorkshire County Council	Safeguarding Unit Manager
North Yorkshire County Council	Head of Safer Communities, NYCC
Clinical Commissioning Group	Designated Doctor for Safeguarding Children and Children in Care
North Yorkshire County Council	Health and Wellbeing Adviser, Education & Skills, NYCC
Clinical Commissioning Group	Nurse Consultant Safeguarding Children & Adults, Primary Care
North Yorkshire County Council	Senior Strategy and Performance Officer, CYPS
North Yorkshire County Council	Early Years Lead Improvement Adviser
Community Rehabilitation Company	Interchange Manager
North Yorkshire County Council	Public Health Improvement Manager
Harrogate District NHS Foundation Trust	0-19 Service Lead
Community First Yorkshire	Voluntary Sector
North Yorkshire County Council	Lead Advisor SEMH
CAFCASS	Service Manager
Youth Justice Service	Planning and Development Officer



### Multi-Agency Child Exploitation (MACE) and Contextual Safeguarding Strategic Subgroup

**Overview:** The purpose of the MACE and Contextual Safeguarding Strategic subgroup is to provide strategic oversight, scrutiny and challenge of the NYSCP MACE procedure through analysis of performance management data to ensure efficiency and effectiveness of operational activity. Members will support the development of robust and effective practices and procedures, as well as providing oversight and scrutiny for the strategic development and operational activity of MACE. The group will go on to be responsible for the creation, progression and management of the MACE strategic action plans and management of MACE arrangements.

**Frequency:** Bi Monthly

**Length:** 2hrs

**Chair:** Safeguarding Unit Manager, North Yorkshire County Council

#### Membership:

Organisation	Role
North Yorkshire County Council	Safeguarding Unit Manager
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Safeguarding Partnership Manager
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Policy and Development Officer
North Yorkshire County Council	Head of Safeguarding
North Yorkshire County Council	Head of Safer Communities, Policy and Partnerships
Clinical Commissioning Group	Designated Nurse Safeguarding Children and Children in Care
North Yorkshire Police	NYP Detective Superintendent
North Yorkshire County Council	Group Manager MAST
North Yorkshire County Council	Head of Practice, Personalisation and Safeguarding
North Yorkshire County Council	Head of Engagement and Governance
Office of the North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner	Commissioning Manager

### Multi-Agency Child Exploitation (MACE) and Contextual Safeguarding Operational Group

**Overview:** The purpose of the MACE and Contextual Safeguarding Operational Group will be to drive the operational delivery of the MACE and contextual safeguarding arrangements across North Yorkshire. The group will monitor and analyse multi-agency data and outcomes to influence practice and co-ordinate approaches. The group will also undertake scoping and research of local, regional and national developments in policy, practice and legislation surrounding the MACE vulnerability themes and feed those findings into the MACE and Contextual Safeguarding Strategic Group where required. The Operational Group will lead on the identification of themes, patterns and trends around Exploitation and vulnerability across North Yorkshire, as well as co-ordinating the findings from single and multi-agency audits to share learning across the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Partnership (NYSCP) partners. Members will also take the lead on in designing, coordinating and delivering MACE and Contextual Safeguarding campaigns and raising awareness around MACE and Contextual Safeguarding themes across North Yorkshire.

**Frequency:** Monthly

**Length:** 1.5hrs

**Chair:** Chair to be rotated across the three statutory safeguarding partners. Initial chair to be Children Social Care Group Manager for 12 months

#### Membership:

Organisation	Role
North Yorkshire County Council	Children Social Care Group Manager
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Policy and Development Officer
North Yorkshire Police	Detective Chief Inspector
Harrogate District NHS Foundation Trust	Named Nurse 0-19 Healthy Child Team
North Yorkshire County Council	Youth Justice Service Manager
North Yorkshire County Council	Lead Advisor for Social, Emotional Mental Health
North Yorkshire County Council	Community Safety Partnership Corporate Development Officer
North Yorkshire County Council	Early Help Group Manager
North Yorkshire County Council	Trusted Relationships Manager
Children Society	Hand in Hand Service Manager
Parents Against Child Exploitation	Area Manager

The group will provide quarterly updates to the MACE and Contextual Safeguarding Strategic Group through the Operational Group Chair.

## MACE and Contextual Safeguarding Practitioner Groups

**Overview:** Members will be responsible for driving forward performance, as well as disseminating the learning and action plans within their own organisations. They will ensure that the MACE and Contextual Safeguarding procedure is embedded into day to day practice. The group will also undertake scoping and research of local, regional and national developments in policy and practice surrounding MACE and Contextual Safeguarding.

The group will act as the conduit between strategic management and operational practice and provide quarterly updates to the MACE and Contextual Safeguarding Strategic Group.

- Level One – Child/Children or Young Person(s) related –this involves the identification, risk assessment and risk management of those children identified as being at risk of child exploitation and incorporates three key components:
  1. Initial identification of risk through a safeguarding referral into the MAST
  2. Multi-Agency risk assessment and risk management of children at risk of exploitation through existing NYSCP Procedures
  3. Multi-agency Locality Tasking meeting held weekly to include a review of MFH cases, new CSE/CCE cases, review of high risk and complex cases and agreement of cases relevant to share at the MACE and Contextual Safeguarding Level 2 meeting.
- Level Two – MACE and Contextual Safeguarding – information relating to the links between children at risk or subject to exploitation, perpetrators or individuals who may pose a risk by exploitation and/or locations and community intelligence. This involves the following four components:
  1. The identification and assessment of perpetrators and/or individuals who may pose a risk by exploitation.
  2. The sharing of community intelligence related to perpetrators or individuals who may pose a risk by exploitation as well as locations where harm is being caused within communities.
  3. The sharing of relevant details of children identified as at risk of or subject to exploitation through the Level 1 MACE and Contextual Safeguarding process. The purpose being to identify the community links between victims, perpetrators/individuals who may pose a risk by exploitation and locations through locality mapping exercises. This includes any concerns raised by other Local Authorities and private residential home providers and settings around OOLAC children placed in North Yorkshire.
  4. To develop robust locality partnership action plans to develop intelligence, pursue and prosecute perpetrators and disrupt exploitation activity within communities.

**Frequency:** Monthly in 7 geographical areas

**Length:** 2hrs

**Chair:** NYSCB Policy and Development Officer

**Membership:** Agreed Locally

## Child Death Review Partners

The Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP) arrangements are undertaken cross-border and cover the geographical areas of City of York and North Yorkshire County Council, with learning enhanced by collaboration with other regional neighbours.

**Overview:** The North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NYSCP) & City of York Safeguarding Children Partnership (CYSCP) will provide governance arrangements for the Child Death Review Partners (CDRP). The Local Authorities and CCG's are responsible for the CDR arrangements as set out in Working Together to Safeguard Children (2018). CDOP are responsible for:

- collecting and analysing information about each death with a view to identifying
- any case giving rise to the need for a review mentioned in regulation
- any matters of concern affecting the safety and welfare of children in the area of the authority
- any wider public health or safety concerns arising from a particular death or from a pattern of deaths in that area; and
- put in place procedures for ensuring that there is a coordinated response by the authority, their Board partners and other relevant persons to an unexpected death.

**Frequency:** Bi monthly

**Length:** 3 hrs

**Chair:** Nurse Consultant Public Health (City of York)

### Membership:

Organisation	Role
City of York Council	Nurse Consultant in Public Health, (Chair)
Clinical Commissioning Group	Designated Doctor for Child Deaths, York and North Yorkshire
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Safeguarding Children Partnership Manager, North Yorkshire
City of York Safeguarding Children Partnership	Safeguarding Children Board Manager, City of York
City of York	Group Manager, Children's Social Care,
North Yorkshire County Council	Group Manager, Children & Families,
North Yorkshire Police	Detective Superintendent
City of York Safeguarding Children Partnership	Lay Member
North Yorkshire County Council	Public Health Consultant,
York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	Head of Midwifery,

Organisation	Role
Harrogate District NHS Foundation Trust	Head of Midwifery,
Clinical Commissioning Group	Designated Doctor for Safeguarding Children and Children in Care
Harrogate District NHS Foundation Trust	Professional Lead for 5 – 19 Service
Harrogate District NHS Foundation Trust	Professional Lead for Health Visiting
City of York	0-19 Service
North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership	Lay Member
North Yorkshire and York Safeguarding Children Partnership	Child Death Review Coordinator

It has been agreed by the Child Death Review Partners (CDRP), namely the Clinical Commissioning Groups across York and North Yorkshire and both Local Authorities, that CDOP will report to the Safeguarding Children Partnership.

Arrangements in each local authority, given that the statutory CDRP make up two of the three Safeguarding Partners; the third being North Yorkshire Police who are also involved in CDOP processes.

The CDOP is chaired by a senior manager from Public Health, York and will be agreed on an annual basis.

CDOP will continue to provide reports on activity to each of the York and the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnerships and will publish an Annual Report.

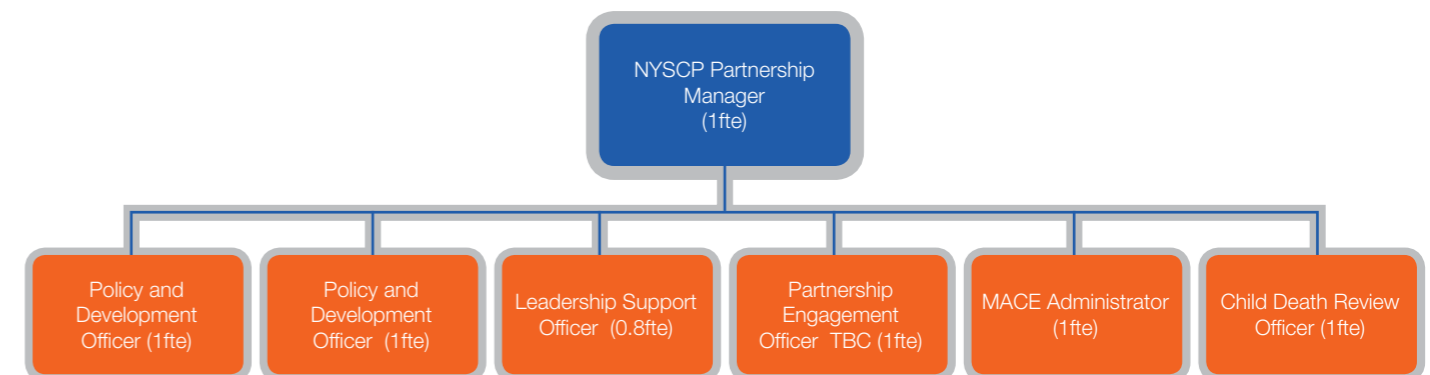
CDOP will actively engage with the Yorkshire and Humber Regional CDOP Coordinator Meetings and Sub Regional CDOP Coordinator's meetings sharing information to develop our understanding of child deaths across the region, share best practice and understand the challenges faced.

## Threshold Document

North Yorkshire operate Vulnerability Checklist, it is intended to help identify how children's needs might be met across universal, early help, targeted prevention and intensive/acute services. As part of the Launch of the Early Help Strategy this Vulnerability Checklist will be reviewed to reflect the new multi-agency safeguarding children arrangements.

## Staffing Structure

The NYSCP Business Unit proposed staffing structure will comprises of:



## Funding arrangements

The three partners have agreed to maintain the current budget based on the below contributions for 2019/20.

Further discussions will take place to negotiate the budget contributions for 2020/21 and beyond.

## Independent Scrutiny

The NYSCP will adopt the current Children's Trust Young and Yorkshire 2 Strategic Plan and adapt to reflect the business of the safeguarding partnership. Progress will be mapped against this plan and scrutinised as appropriate by the strategic partners, relevant agencies and the Independent Scrutineer.

Working Together to Safeguard Children (2018) states that:

'The role of independent scrutiny is to provide assurance in judging the effectiveness of multi-agency arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children in a local area, including arrangements to identify and review serious child safeguarding cases. This independent scrutiny will be part of a wider system which includes the independent inspectorates' single assessment of the individual safeguarding partners and the Joint Targeted Area Inspections.'

The NYSCP Executive will seek to appoint an Independent Scrutineer who will:

- a. Chair the NYSCP Executive and Strategic Partnership Group
- b. Scrutinise the partnership arrangements and assess how well the safeguarding partnership is fulfilling its duty to safeguard children and young people in North Yorkshire
- c. Publish an Annual Scrutiny Report on how well the partnership is operating and provide constructive challenge for continued improvement
- d. Scrutinise the multi-agency audit activity undertaken within the partnership
- e. Ensure the voice of the child is represented and heard throughout the NYSCP work and arrangements.

In addition to the Independent Scrutineer, The NYSCP will retain two Lay Members as part of the NYSCP Strategic Partnership Group along with the NYCC Elected Members for Children's Services and Education, NYCC Children's Champion and the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner who will assist the scrutineer in their role of ensuring the voice of the community is heard within the partnership.

The NYSCP will maintain close working relationships with Community First Yorkshire who will provide a county wide representation to the partnership and will sit on all levels of governance within the partnership.

The NYSCP is committed to work in partnership with the North Yorkshire Interboard Network and North Yorkshire and York Systems Leadership Group to progress joint opportunities of work and both groups will support the scrutiny framework in the county.

The NYSCP will maintain its Professionals Resolutions Policy which ensures that where issues between agencies arise involving the safety and welfare of children or young people, matters can be resolved in a timely manner through an escalation process.

The NYSCP will seek to engage to with peer review processes to enhance practice and procedures through peer challenge and recommendations.

To ensure scrutiny of the partnership the NYSCP will continue to undertake routine Multi-Agency Audits which will be reviewed by the partnership and the Independent Scrutineer.

The Scrutiny framework will help to deliver against the Young and Yorkshire priorities within the plan to ensure all children and young people are Safe, Healthy, Happy and Achieving. This will then help to identify the future priorities for the NYSCP.

## Voice of the Child

Children and Young People are integral to the work of the NYSCP and as such feature in the NYSCB Business Plan. The NYSCP will continue to build on the work of the LSCB to actively engage and involve children and young people in all aspects of the partnership. The North Yorkshire Youth Voice Executive have agreed to be a relevant agency from a umbrella organisation for a number of youth voice group in the county such as The Young Peoples Council (Children in Care Council), Flying High (SEND Youth Voice Group), The Young Carers, the LGBT Youth Forum and the HDFT Youth Forum, Military Kids Club Heroes.

The NYSCP will continue to utilise the Growing Up in North Yorkshire Survey which seeks to obtain the views, experiences and opinions of pupils in national curriculum years 2, 6, 8, 10 and 12 regarding a broad range of issues from health and education, to home life and activities including risk-taking behaviour.

## Data

The NYSCP will continue to use the comprehensive data set developed under the NYSCB which is used by safeguarding partners to understand the landscape, direct service delivery and target resources. The data set is a standing agenda item on the Learning and Improvement Subgroup and will feature on the NYSCP Executive agenda on a quarterly basis.

The data set provides data from a variety of partnership arrangements and includes data from early help to statutory interventions.

As set out in Working Together 2018, the NYSCP will ensure all relevant data and information is transferred from NYSCB to the Safeguarding Partners. This will be managed through the maintain Business Unit.

## Disputes

At time we appreciate there may be professional disputes at time, with this in mind the NYSCP will adopt the NYSCB Professional Resolutions Practice Guidance. The purpose of this document is to ensure that where issues arise between agencies involving the safety and welfare of children and young people, these issues will be resolved in a timely manner.

## Training

The NYSCP will continue to offer a variety of multi-agency face to face and e-learning through advertised through the NYSCP Website [www:safeguardingchildren.co.uk](http://www:safeguardingchildren.co.uk)

All agencies within North Yorkshire have a duty to ensure their workforce is equipped with training to undertake their functions. Where multi-agency training is identified within the partnership the NYSCP Learning and Improvement Subgroup will explore suitable approaches.

The NYSCP will continue to undertake a Training Needs Analysis with all relevant agencies to identify training needs for the workforce.



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