

Alternative Provision and Safeguarding

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Safeguarding Children's
Board

Local Safeguarding Children's Board

- Established under Children Act 2004
- "Co-ordinates what is done by each person or body represented on the Board for the purposes of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in the area..."
- "ensures the effectiveness of what is done by each such person or body for that purpose"

MSCB key functions

- Oversees performance
- Ensures effective policies and procedures
- Delivers and co-ordinates training
- Reviews all child deaths
- Conducts reviews of all deaths or serious cases of injury/harm where child abuse suspected
- Strong link with work of Manchester Children Board

Key issues in respect of alternative provision

- Lord Laming's Report
- Sir Roger Singleton's Report, "Keeping our School Safe"
- Messages from serious case reviews
- Duty to co-operate in the effective safeguarding of children

The Safeguarding Standard

- Safe staffing: recruitment/CRB/allegations
- Safeguarding procedure
- Training, inc. recognition and response
- Safe care policies
- Information sharing
- Safeguarding leads in all settings
- Record keeping

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