



CHILDREN & FAMILIES
SOCIAL WORK MORAY

Child Protection Planning Meetings

A guide for children and young people

Name of Social Worker:

Phone number:

Email:

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You've been given this leaflet because we're worried about your safety and wellbeing and there's going to be a child protection planning meeting for you

This is a meeting where people can talk about what's important for your safety and wellbeing, and how they can help you.

Who will be at the meeting?

- You
- Your parent(s), carer(s) or guardian(s)
- A family member or a friend who can support you as long as it is safe for you that they attend
- People who have useful information or can offer help. You might know some of them, like a teacher or police officer
- The reviewing officer. It's their job is to make sure everyone has the chance to speak at the meeting.

What happens during the meeting?

The meeting will look at the good things in your life, anything that might be worrying you and anything which could cause harm to you or other people. We'll then make a plan to make sure you're safe and well.

The meeting has three important parts:

1. Firstly, we will talk about all the good things in your life and the things that might make you or other people worried. We want to hear what you think too.
2. Next, we will make a plan to make sure you stay safe and get what you need. Everyone in the meeting will help with this plan. Your ideas matter a lot, so think about what kind of help and support you and your family want.
3. Finally, there will be a decision on whether you need extra help or protection to stay safe.

What happens next?

At the end of the meeting, one of two things will happen.

If the people at the meeting think you might be at risk of harm
We'll make a plan to keep you safe. A social worker will visit you every week. We'll keep updating the plan, and you'll be part of those discussions too. Your name will be put on the Child Protection Register, which is like a list of kids in Moray who need extra help to stay safe.

If the people at the meeting think you're not at risk of harm but still need some support

We'll make a plan to make sure you get the support you need. This plan will be updated regularly. The important difference is that your name won't be put on the Child Protection Register.

Getting help & support

You can have someone called an 'independent advocate' to help you. An independent advocate is like a helper who can make sure your wishes and feelings are known and help you understand what's happening.

Just remember, you can choose who you want to talk to about your life and what you want to share with adults.

As well as the advocate, the reviewing officer is there to answer your questions before and after the meetings. If you have any questions, you can contact the reviewing team at reviewingteam@moray.gov.uk or call 01343 554370.

More information

More information of child protection can be found on the Moray Council website at:
http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_55497.html



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