

How can I get involved?

Sub-groups carry out tasks on behalf of the RCSCB. Current sub-groups are as follows:

RCLSCB Executive	Coordinates the work of the RCSCB and its sub-groups.
Learning Lessons & Improving Practice	Oversees and quality assures Serious Case Reviews and Learning Reviews undertaken by the RCSCB. This group has developed the Quality Assurance and Learning Improvement Framework for the LSCB.
Training sub-group	Produces an annual training programme and learning events.
Monitoring & Evaluation sub-group	Produces performance data and provides regular reports to the RCLSCB. Carries out multi-agency audits to review practice.
Child Death Overview Panel	Takes an overview of all child deaths within Teesside.
Tees Esafety	Develops Tees safety strategy to safeguard children and young people in their use of technologies.
Tees Policy & Procedures	Develops policies and reviews procedures and protocols in the areas of child protection and safeguarding.
Junior RCSCB Safe4us	Young people helping to make Redcar & Cleveland a better place for children and young people by helping to keep them safe.
Vulnerable Exploited Missing & Trafficked (VEMT)	This group raises awareness and ensures all agencies work together to combat the vulnerability of young people who may be subject to exploitation.

You may be asked to report to the RCSCB or be part of a multi-agency audit team or to join one of the sub-groups.

Where can I find out more?

The RCSCB website can be found at <http://www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk/safeguarding>

The Tees Safeguarding procedures can be found at <http://www.teescpp.org.uk/>

Or contact the RCSCB Business Unit at iscbtraining@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk



A Practitioners Guide to



Redcar & Cleveland Safeguarding Children Board (RCSCB)



What are Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs)?

The LSCB is a statutory body made up of organisations which work with children and young people. The LSCB is the key mechanism for agreeing how relevant organisations in each local area will co-operate to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and for ensuring the effectiveness of what they do.

Who are members of Redcar & Cleveland Safeguarding Children Board?



The RCLSCB is independently chaired by **Jan Van Wagtendonk**

The Board is made up of senior managers from the following agencies:

- Voluntary sector
- Lay Members
- Local Authority:
 - Children's Services
 - Education Services
 - Housing
 - Adult Safeguarding
 - Public Health
- South Tees Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)
- NHS England
- South Tees Hospital Foundation Trust
- Tees Esk Wear Valley (TEWV)
- Primary Schools
- Secondary Schools
- Cleveland Police
- CAF/CASS
- Cleveland Fire Service
- Probation Service



What does the RCSCB do?

The RCSCB holds a meeting every two months, its aim is to ensure all children and young people in Redcar & Cleveland are appropriately safeguarded. It monitors the effectiveness of agencies which work with children and young people and this is done through discussion and presentation of reports. The RCSCB works closely with other partnerships, including the Health & Wellbeing Board and Family Justice Board. A key part of this partnership working is to ensure that agencies safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people.

The work of the RCSCB includes:

- Assessing effectiveness of help provided to children and families, including early help
- Assessing whether RCSCB agencies are fulfilling statutory obligations in relation to safeguarding children
- Quality assuring practice through joint audits of case files and identifying lessons to be learned
- Monitoring and evaluating effectiveness of training, including multi-agency training
- Developing and agreeing local policies and procedures; including action to be taken when there are concerns, thresholds for intervention and allegations against staff
- Raising awareness in the wider community of the need to safeguard children

What are the RCSCB's local priorities?

At a joint planning session, members carried out a series of exercises to identify priorities for the board.

The five priorities identified for the RCSCB Business Plan 2014-2016 are:

1. Quality of work
2. Interagency working
3. Communication
4. Early help
5. Developments in practice

The Business Plan is published on the RCSCB website

<http://www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk/safeguarding>

