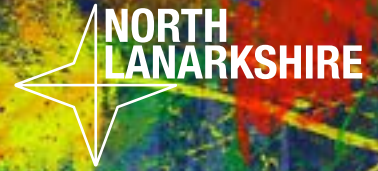


INFORMATION FOR CHILDREN



What we do: When we have worries about you

Sometimes, people who know you (like teachers or health workers) might feel worried about you.

If this happens, they may ask other helpers (like social workers or the police) to help make sure you are safe.

We will share information and talk about how to keep you safe. This is called an **Interagency Referral Discussion (IRD)**.

You and your family will be told about any worries, and we will explain what is happening.



What will happen next?

A social worker might come and talk to you. They will:

- Ask how you are feeling
- Ask if anything is worrying you
- Listen to what you think could help

They will explain if they are worried and how they can help keep you safe.

Sometimes:

- A social worker and a specially trained police officer might talk to you together
- If you are hurt, we would speak to you and your family about being seen by a doctor

All the adults will make a plan with you and your family to help keep you safe.

We will always try to make sure to get the help you need. Most of the time that'll be from people you already know.



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A child protection meeting

If there are serious worries, there will be a meeting to talk about this and how to help you.

Before the meeting:

- Everything will be explained to you
- You can choose if you want to go
- You can bring someone you trust

At the meeting:

- Adults will listen to you
- You can speak, or ask someone to speak for you
- Everyone will make a plan to help keep you safe



After the meeting what will happen?

If things are okay, you will keep getting help from people you already know, like school or health staff.

If you and your family need more help:

- A social worker will visit you and your family every week
- Everyone will meet again to check how things are going
- This will continue until things are safer for you



What are my rights?

You have important rights. This means:

- You have the right to be listened to
- You can share your feelings and ideas
- You can choose how you want to share (talk, draw, or tell someone)
- You can go to meetings if you want to
- You can bring someone to support you
- You will be asked if you want an advocate (someone who helps speak for you)

Your voice is very important, and we want to hear it.



Contact details for the social worker helping you:

Name:

How to contact: