

**Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board
E-Safety Task to Finish Group**

**Notes of the meeting held on 09 February 2009
Tipping Street, Stafford**

Present:

Christopher Hilditch (C&LL), Karen Rushton (C&LL), Heleen McInerney (Vulnerable Children's Division), Alan Hudson (Foster Carer), Sarah Borton (South Staffordshire PCT), Jane Rowbottom (Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board), Clive Dunham (C&LL Health & Safety), Graham Bott (Youth Service), Phil Potts (Connexions), Keith Luscombe (Youth Offending Service), Dave Ernest (SLT).

Item 1) Apologies:

Derrick Golland (SID), Karen Ogle (First Response), Chris Bowering (Vulnerable Children's Division), Sue Ball (Staffordshire Libraries), Philip Jones (Information Governance Unit), Narriman Crofts (South Staffordshire PCT), Gill Stanford (Children's Commissioner), Joyce Whitfield (SLT).

Item 2) Minutes of meeting on 08 December 2008:

The minutes of the meeting 08 December 2008 were approved.

Item 3) Matters arising:

- (i) **Policies, Procedures and Practices** – the SSCB e-safety policy not yet fully developed – Christopher Hilditch to follow-up via the Sub Prevention Group.

Item 4) Work-stream Updates:

- (A) **Policies, Procedures and Practices** – *Chris Bowering*
The Group may be required to prepare a draft e-safety policy based on national guidance. Jane Rowbottom to follow-up with Vonni Gordon. **(Action: JR)**

- (B) **Information, Education and Training** – *Jane Rowbottom*
E-safety display at Kingston Centre has been set up and an e-Safety Newsletter has been distributed to schools to promote Internet Safety Day and raise awareness of e-safety resources, support and guidance, including information about the Saltmine Trust "Escape" internet safety drama activity for young people. A timetable has been agreed to deliver sessions by district – many sessions already fully booked. **(Action: JR)**

The six large group half-day multi-agency sessions, "Recognising Technology Abuses" were well received and evaluations were good. **(Action: JR)**

Jane distributed an e-safety checklist to the group for agency representatives to complete to identify areas for development and

support. The checklist helps agencies to understand what they need to do and have in place for e-safety. **(Action: Agency reps)**

- (C) **Infrastructure and Technology** – *Christopher Hilditch*
Karen Rushton from C&LL Directorate ICT updated the Group on the SLN2 e-safety monitoring solution project. The solution is being rolled out initially to schools but work has also begun to set up the solution in libraries and youth centres. The Group requested a full demonstration at the next meeting planned for 16 March. It was agreed to invite a wider audience to the demonstration. **(Action: KR)**
- (D) **Inspection and Standards** – *Christopher Hilditch*
Derrick Golland agreed to prepare a paper for undertaking annual face-to-face visits of a sample of schools to review schools e-safety policy and practice. This could be funded by the 2009/10 Area Based Grant for ICT in Schools. Update requested at the next meeting. **(Action: DG)**

Item 5) National and Regional Development Update:

The Group requested an update on the availability of the West Midlands Regional Broadband Consortium (RBC), WMnet, online e-safety resources for children and young people. **(Action: DG)**

Item 6) Any other Business:

No other business

Item 7) Date of Next Meeting:

19 March 2009, 1400 – 1530 (demonstration of the Staffordshire e-safety monitoring solution)