



***Safer Sleep Week***

The Lullaby Trust will be running their annual Safer Sleep Week from the 10th-16th March. Safer sleep advice saves lives, but only when it reaches families. During this week, the Lullaby Trust will raise awareness of SIDS (sudden infant death syndrome) and the simple advice that reduces the risk of it occurring. To find out more, or how to get involved, follow the link [here](#).



***Tees Child Exploitation Awareness Week***

On the week commencing 17th March, agencies across Teesside will be raising awareness of child exploitation with professionals and members of the community. This will coincide with National Child Exploitation Awareness Day and the Tees Harm Outside the Home Conference, both of which will be happening on the 18th March. To find out more about raising awareness of Child Exploitation, follow the link [here](#).



***Young Carers Action Day***

Young Carers Action Day takes place on Wednesday 12th March with the theme 'Give Me A Break'. This year, the focus will be on the importance of rest and respite for young carers and is aimed at young carers, their friends, professionals who may interact with young carers, and local carer organisations. To check out the downloadable resources and get involved, see the link [here](#).



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***Serious Youth Violence Research Programme***

A new report, 'The role of key workers in supporting children and young people with experience of serious youth violence', has been added to other research exploring how systems of support may protect young people from, or expose them to, involvement in serious youth violence. To read the report, follow the link [here](#).



***School Safeguarding Councils***

This term's topic for School Safeguarding Councils are now available on the HSSCP website, as well as the link for the feedback survey. This term's feedback survey will stay open until 17th April, but schools are advised to check their own term dates to ensure they don't miss the deadline. To access these resources and links, click [here](#).



**Home Office**

***Crime and Policing Bill 2025***

The new Crime and Policing Bill has been introduced into Parliament, which contains a range of measures relating safeguarding, including: protecting vulnerable children and adults, child sexual abuse, violence against women and girls, knife crime, and counter terrorism. To read the bill, or the factsheets and impact assessments that have also been published this week, follow the link [here](#).



***Children's Commissioner Youth Custody Report***

The Children's Commissioner has published a new report on youth custody where she calls for a complete overhaul of the system with greater emphasis on rehabilitation over punishment, putting education at it's core. To read the report and press release, follow the link [here](#).



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### **Alternative Provision Guidance**

This week, DfE published guidance for local authorities and schools on the use of alternative provision when a child or young person is excluded from a mainstream education setting.

The full guidance is available [here](#).

**NSPCC**  
**Learning**

### **Child Criminal Exploitation Topic Page**

NSPCC Learning has published a key topic page child criminal exploitation. The page explores the different forms of exploitation, the types of harm children can experience, the process of exploitation and how to recognise the signs, and how to respond to concerns that a child might be experiencing criminal exploitation. Follow the link [here](#) to the page. If you are concerned that a child you are working with may be experiencing exploitation, you can find the new Exploitation Screening Tool on the [Tees Procedures website](#).



### **Neglect Framework and Practice Guidance**

Have you seen the Neglect Framework and Practice Guidance on the Tees Procedures website? Children living Teesside are three times more likely to experience neglect than children nationally. With neglect being the main reason for 70% of Child Protection plans in Hartlepool and Stockton, the [Neglect Framework and Practice Guidance](#) is an important resource for professionals working with children and young people in the areas.



### **Tees Procedures**

Have you checked out the latest information regarding safeguarding procedures on the Tees Safeguarding Children Procedures website?

For further information please click on the following link:

<https://www.teescpp.org.uk/>



### **HSSCP Resources & Learning Opportunities**

Are you aware that the latest HSSCP safeguarding children training programme for 2024-2025 is available? HSSCP also has a wide range of safeguarding resources in the professionals section of their website too.

For further information please click on the following link: [HSSCP](#)

For information relating to the latest LSCPR's can be found at [LSCPR's](#)



### **TSAB Newsletter**

Have you checked out the latest safeguarding adults newsletter produced by the Tees Safeguarding Adults Board (TSAB)?

To access all the TSAB newsletters please click on the following link: [TSAB](#)

Information on the latest safeguarding adults reviews can be found at: [SAR's](#)