



Local Safeguarding
Children Board

*information for
children and young people
about
child protection conferences*

what is a child protection conference?

A meeting to talk over concerns about you or your brothers' and sisters' safety and happiness at home.

A conference does not decide to remove children from their families.

who will be invited?

Your parents or the people you live with, someone from school, your school nurse, your doctor, a social worker and perhaps their boss, possibly the police and other professionals who are interested in your safety.

what happens in the meeting?

The person leading the meeting will make sure everyone knows why they are there and who everyone else is.

Then, the social worker will explain what caused the concerns. Other people at the meeting will then have a chance to give any other relevant information.

The meeting will then make a decision about whether your name should be added to the Child Protection Register. If your name is put on the register, a plan to keep you safe will be made.

This is known as a Child Protection Plan. It identifies things that need to change in order to make you safe and who will be working with you and your family. These people will be called the Core Group.

The Core Group will usually include your parents and will meet regularly to check how the Child Protection Plan is working. Throughout this process you will be asked your views and they will be taken into account.



can i come to the meeting?

If you want to come and it won't be too upsetting for you, then you may be invited to the meeting. You might want to bring an adult to support you. You should talk about this with your social worker.

If you do come to the meeting you will be able to leave at any point, if you need a break.

If you do not come to the meeting, you can ask your social worker to speak on your behalf or you can write something down which will be read out at the meeting.

what is the child protection register?

It is a list of children who are considered to be at risk of harm. The list is not available to the public. Only people whose job involves protecting children can see it.

when will my name come off the register?

Your name will stay on the register as long as people think you need protection. Child Protection Conferences will be held at least every six months and will decide if your name should be removed from the register.



what if i disagree with the conference?

You can ask your social worker about the 'Complaints Procedure' or you could arrange to speak with the chairperson.

what if i have any questions about the investigation?

Your Social Worker will try to answer all of your questions. It might be helpful to write these down.

my questions:



*you can also get information and advice
from any of the organisations listed below:*

Childline: 0800 1111 www.childline.org.uk

Free and confidential telephone advice line for children and young people.

Kidscape: www.kidscape.org.uk

National Children's Bureau: www.youngncb.org.uk

NSPCC: 0808 800 5000

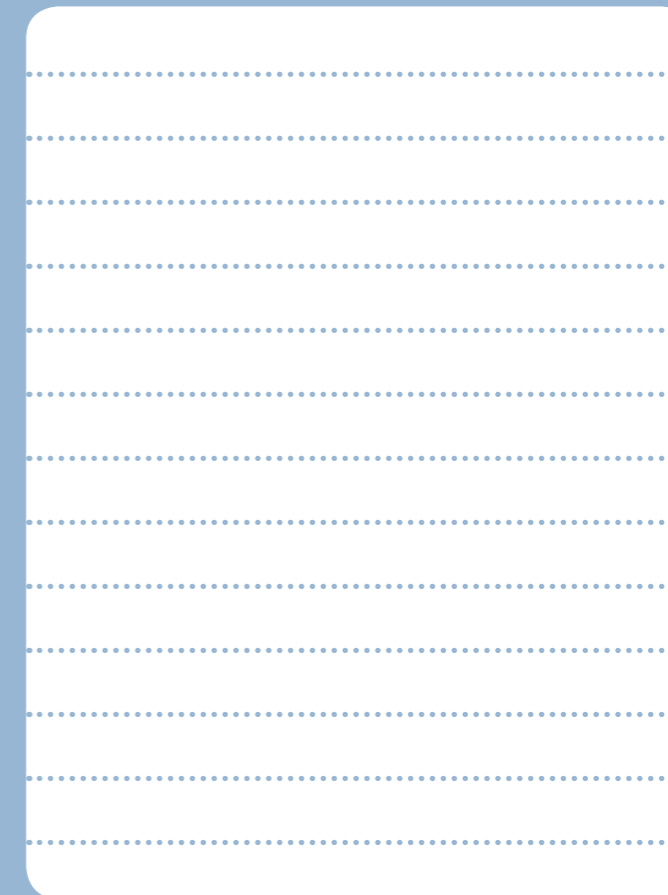
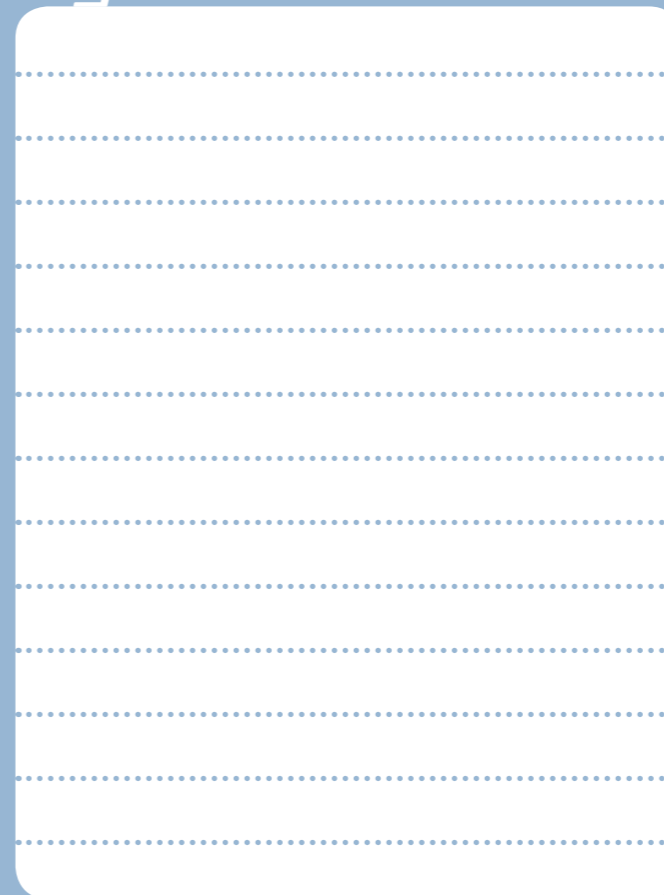
Children's Legal Centre: 0845 456 6811


Leicestershire Children's Rights Service: 08000 830652

Leicester City Children's Rights Service: 0116 225 4730

Rutland Children's Rights Service: 01572 722 577

my numbers:





My name is:

My Social Worker is:

Their contact number is: