

The University of Edinburgh/NSPCC Centre for UK-wide Learning in Child Protection (CLiCP)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: CLiCP REVIEW AND FORWARD PLAN 2008 - 2011

The University of Edinburgh/NSPCC Centre for UK-wide Learning in Child Protection (CLiCP) is based within the School of Education at the University of Edinburgh. It conducts research and provides analysis and commentary on child protection policy across the UK. Over the last 10 years, development in child protection policy and systems across the UK has been rapid. Devolution has added impetus and new dimensions to these changes.

CLiCPs focus is on tracking and analysing developments in child protection across the UK. Over time, we intend to build towards a general overview of child protection in the UK. We will do this incrementally; producing briefings, reports and papers, each based on a key aspect of child protection. This will culminate in a major report and book in 2011. This summary sets out CLiCPs work in 2007 – 2008; and plans for work 2009 – 2011. It is highlighted below under the 2 broad areas: (1) UK Comparative Work: Overview of Safeguarding and Protecting Children in the UK and (2) Commissioned Research. These are discussed in full in the main document.

(1) UK COMPARATIVE WORK: OVERVIEW OF SAFEGUARDING AND PROTECTING CHILDREN IN THE UK (Themes for analysis):	Output	Timescale
UK Political Structures and Processes: the Context for Safeguarding and Protecting Children (3 strands):		
(1) Political Processes, Structures and Contexts in the UK	Report/Briefing	Sept 09
(2) Devolution in the UK: Powers and Structures in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.	Briefing	June 08
(3) Developing Relationships between Central and Local Government in Scotland	Briefing	Jan 09
Safeguarding and Protecting Children: Policies, Systems and Processes (8 strands):		
(1) Overview of Safeguarding and Protecting Children in Scotland	Book	Aug 08
(2) Inter-agency Guidance in Relation to Child Protection: A UK Comparison	Briefing	June 08
(3) Child Protection Statistics: A UK Comparison	Briefing	June 08
(4) Mechanisms for the Strategic Implementation, Development and Monitoring of Inter-agency Child Protection Policy and Practice in the UK: The Role of Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs) and (Area) Child Protection Committees ((A)CPCs)	Briefing	June 08
(5) Assessment Frameworks and Tools: A UK Comparison	Briefing	Feb 09
(6) Information Sharing, Safeguarding and Protecting Children: a UK Comparison	Briefing	May 09
(7) Legislation to Safeguard and Protect Children across the UK	Briefing	Feb 09
(8) Learning from Child Deaths and Serious Cases (2 Strands)		
(a) Learning from Child Death and Serious Case Reviews in the UK	Briefing; Book; Seminar; Seminar paper; ongoing dissemination and training	Jan – May 09
(b) A Review of Child Deaths and Significant Child Abuse Cases in Scotland	Report (Joint with SCCYP)	Jul 08

Safeguarding and Protecting Children in Community Settings (3 strands):		
(1) Vetting and Barring – Legislation and Policy in Scotland	Briefing	Nov 08
(2) Vetting and Barring – Legislation and Policy in England, Wales and Northern Ireland	Briefing	Jan – April 09
(3) Vetting and Barring across the UK: Making Children Safer?	Report	March 09
Safeguarding and Protecting Children: Longer Term Directions (2 strands):		
(1) Developments in Safeguarding and Child Protection Across the UK – Visions and Aspirations	Report; UK Seminar; Seminar Paper; Collected Papers	Jan – May 09
(2) Safeguarding and Protecting Children Across the UK: Longer Term Directions	Reports; Papers; Articles; Events; Book	2011

CLiCPs second stand of work concerns conducting commissioned research in areas identified as priorities. These are summarised here:

(2) COMMISSIONED RESEARCH	Output	Timescale
Children and Domestic Abuse (4 Strands):		
(1) The Support Needs of children and Young People who Have to Move Home Because of Domestic Abuse	Report; Summary Report	July 07
(2) Evaluation of the Scottish government Children's Services Women's Aid Fund	Report; Summary Report	Oct 08
(3) Consulting Children and Young People on Strategic Proposals Emerging from the Scottish Government Domestic Abuse Delivery Group	Report; Summary Report	June 08
(4) Practical Guidance on Conducting Research and Consulting Children and Young People Experiencing Domestic Abuse	Report	Oct 08
The Experiences of children and Young People in Sport Settings in the UK	Report	Sept 09
Mapping Therapeutic Services for Children and Young People who have been Sexually Abused	Report	Dec 09
How is the Concept of Resilience Operationalised in Practice with Vulnerable Children	Report	July 07

MAIN REPORT: CLiCP REVIEW AND FORWARD PLAN 2008 – 2011

The University of Edinburgh/NSPCC Centre for UK-wide Learning in Child Protection (CLiCP) is a research centre based within the School of Education at the University of Edinburgh. It was set up in November 2006 in a unique collaboration between the NSPCC and the University. It conducts research and provides analysis and commentary on child protection policy across the UK: in each jurisdiction and UK-wide.

Over the last 10 years, development in child protection policy and systems across the UK has been rapid. Devolution has added impetus and new dimensions to these changes; creating unprecedented possibilities for policy and practice in child protection to diverge across different jurisdictions. However, the extent to which this divergence has actually happened has not been closely examined. CLiCP has been set up to contribute new insights and understandings to these processes.

CLiCPs focus then, is the tracking and analysis of the content and direction of child protection policy and developments at UK level. This is both timely and necessary. Timely, in that the UK can now be seen as a 'natural laboratory' from which to conduct detailed policy analysis (Raffe and Byrne 2000); providing opportunity for greater understanding of the strengths and weaknesses of different systems; and therefore a potential to learn how best to effect positive outcomes for children.

CLiCP aims to contribute knowledge to ensure child protection systems throughout the UK are able to respond effectively and flexibly to children in need of protection wherever they live.

This paper reviews the work of CLiCP in 2007 – 2008; and sets out plans for work 2009 – 2011.

Our work is described below under the 2 broad strands: (1) UK Comparative Work and (2) Commissioned Research. These strands are discussed in turn in the rest of the document.

UK COMPARATIVE WORK: OVERVIEW OF SAFEGUARDING AND PROTECTING CHILDREN IN THE UK

Below we outline the work in CLiCP, underway or planned, which is building towards our overview of child protection in the UK 2008 – 2011. Individual strands of work, each based on a key aspect of child protection will culminate in a major report and book in 2011. We discuss these in some detail below.

2 UK Political Structures and Processes: the Context for Safeguarding and Protecting Children

Understanding current child protection reform across the UK requires some knowledge of the broader political processes within which it sits. Work in this area has begun. Its purpose is to consider the inter-relationship between wider political structures and processes, devolution, and safeguarding and protecting children. It will provide a wider context for understanding recent developments in safeguarding and protecting children in the context of devolution.

2.1 Political Processes, Structures and Contexts in the UK

Here, shifts and changes in wider political processes and aspects of devolution as they impact on safeguarding and protecting children will be monitored and documented. This will include analysis in each and between the different jurisdictions of the UK.

Output(s): CLiCP Report/Briefing (Sept 2009)

Researcher(s): Connie Smith.

2.2 Devolution in the UK: Powers and Structures in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland

A paper setting out and analysing the similarities and differences in devolution settlements and the powers and structures devolved to Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales, has been produced. This provides a context for better understanding post-devolution child protection reform. A decade on from the Devolution Acts, the three devolved systems have incongruous constitutional arrangements and distinct relationships with the UK Government and Parliament. And specific powers and devolved matters differ. So, while important aspects of child protection policy are devolved, these differ between devolved areas. A CLiCP Briefing on this is available on the CLiCP website.

Shifts and changes in wider political processes and aspects of devolution as they potentially impact on child protection reform will be monitored and documented.

Output(s): CLiCP Briefing (Complete June 2008):
<http://www.clicp.ed.ac.uk/publications/briefings/briefing01.pdf>

Researcher(s): Connie Smith.

2.3 Developing Relationships between Central and Local Government in Scotland

In November 2007, the Scottish Government and COSLA signed a Concordat altering the funding and reporting relationship between central and local government in Scotland. Research in this area will examine changes and consider potential implications for protecting children.

Output(s): CLiCP Briefing (January 2009)

Researcher(s): Connie Smith.

3 Safeguarding and Protecting Children: Policies, Systems and Processes

In this section we report CLiCPs work comparing and contrasting themes traditionally associated with child protection systems across in the UK, including: Inter-agency guidance; the role of local safeguarding children's boards and child protection committees; mechanisms for reviewing child deaths and serious cases; child protection statistics.

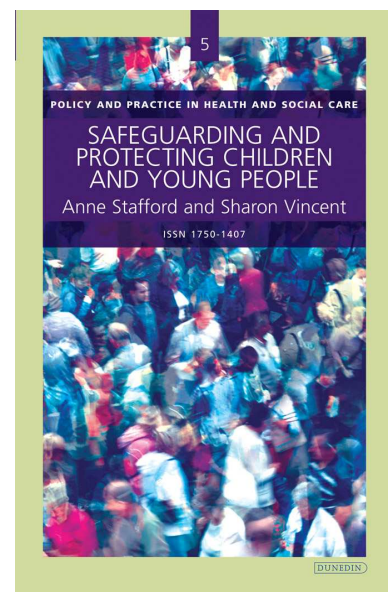
3.1 Overview of Safeguarding and Protecting Children in Scotland

One of the first tasks undertaken by CLiCP staff was to consolidate what we know about child protection in Scotland. The book 'Safeguarding and Protecting Children and Young People' provides an overview of child protection in Scotland between 1950 and 2007.

Published in June 2008, it is one stepping stone towards our task of building towards an overview of child protection across the UK. The book looks at child protection across past decades, providing a broad perspective for understanding and assessing the significant changes currently occurring in child protection in Scotland. And as the story unfolds, it is clear that tensions inherent in the child protection system in Scotland since it was set up with the Children's Hearing system in the 1971, remain manifest in the new developments currently being taken forward in the form of the 'Getting it Right for Every Child Proposals' (GIRFEC) (Scottish Executive, 2005).

Output(s): Book (Complete August 2008); Seminar (February 2009)

Researcher(s): All CLiCP staff.



3.2 Inter-agency Guidance in Relation to Safeguarding and Protecting Children

Core to child protection systems and processes is guidance and arrangements on interagency working. Initial comparative analysis of the inter-agency child protection guidance current in each part of the UK (at November 2008) has been conducted. It provides information on: the principles underlying the inter-agency guidance in each part of the UK; where the locus of responsibility for child protection lies; the grounds for investigating concerns; referral processes and emergency procedures; measures for investigation; case conferences, case management and review processes; procedures to deal with appeals and complaints. It briefly covers guidance in relation to individuals who pose a risk of harm to children, information sharing, record keeping and confidentiality, and guidance on procedures to be followed if a child dies or is seriously injured.

Outputs: CLiCP briefing (Complete June 2008)

<http://www.clhcp.ed.ac.uk/publications/briefings/briefing02.pdf>

Researcher: Sharon Vincent.

3.3 Child Protection Statistics: A UK Comparison

Comparative analysis of published child protection statistics in each part of the UK has been conducted. This provides information about government statistics in each part of the UK; some initial analysis has been conducted.

Outputs: CLiCP briefing (Complete June 2008)

<http://www.clhcp.ed.ac.uk/publications/briefings/briefing03.pdf>

Researcher(s): Sharon Vincent.

3.4 Mechanisms for the Strategic Implementation, Development and Monitoring of Inter-agency Child Protection Policy and Practice in the UK: the Role of Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs) and (Area) Child Protection Committees ((A)CPCs)

This paper compares and contrasts the role of Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs) and (Area) Child Protection Committees ((A)CPCs) in providing the strategic implementation, development and monitoring of inter-agency child protection policy and practice operating in each UK jurisdiction. The main focus is on recent reform of these mechanisms. The paper outlines structures currently in place; the functions, membership, funding and performance management arrangements of the various structures in England, Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland.

Output(s): CLiCP Briefing (Complete November 2008)

Researcher(s): Sharon Vincent.

3.5 Assessment Frameworks and Tools: A UK Comparison

The aim of this work is to collate information on the assessment frameworks and tools being used across the UK in relation to safeguarding and protecting children. It will compare and contrast the different approaches used in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Output(s): Report/CLiCP Briefing (February 2009)

Researcher(s): Sharon Vincent

3.6 Information Sharing, Safeguarding and Protecting Children: A UK Comparison

The aim of this work is to consider national policy relevant to information sharing about safeguarding and protecting children.

Output(s): Report/CLiCP Briefing (May 2009)

Researcher(s): Sharon Vincent.

3.7 Legislation to Safeguard and Protect Children Across the UK

This work is collating information on relevant child protection and safeguarding legislation in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. This will be used to inform the core work of CLiCP. Primary and key secondary legislation in force in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland will be set out and comparative analysis of the main provision conducted.

Output(s): CLiCP Briefing (February 2009)

Researcher(s): Connie Smith.

3.8 Learning from Child Deaths and Serious Cases

The issue of child deaths and significant child abuse cases has been identified by CLiCP as a priority area for research. There are two aspects to our current work in this area; (1) research analysing and highlighting learning from major child deaths in Scotland; (2) comparative research setting out child death and significant case review processes throughout the UK, including a CLiCP seminar to promote learning from child deaths and serious abuse cases across the UK.

a. Learning from Child Death and Serious Case Reviews in the UK

This work takes the form of a comparative review of current arrangements for reviewing child deaths and significant cases across the UK.

A CLiCP seminar will be organised in March 2009 - 'Learning from Child Deaths and Serious Cases across the UK' - for policy makers in central and local government involved in shaping and implementing safeguarding and child protection policy and academics working related fields. The seminar will provide delegates from across the UK with the opportunity to participate in a debate about child death/serious case review processes as they are operating across the UK and consider if they are the best mechanism from which to reflect on and develop policy.

Output(s): CLiCP Briefing (January 2009); Seminar; Seminar Paper (March 2009); Book May 2009; ongoing dissemination and training

Researcher(s): Sharon Vincent.

b. A Review of Child Deaths and Significant Child Abuse Cases in Scotland

CLiCP has completed research reviewing and analysing major child death and abuse inquiries in Scotland between 1960 and 2007. Conducted in partnership with the Office of Scotland's Commissioner of Children and Young People, the research highlights the impact these inquiries and reviews have had on national child protection policy in Scotland.

Output(s): Joint Report CLiCP and SCCYP (Complete January 2008)

Researcher(s): Sharon Vincent.

4 Safeguarding and Protecting Children in Community Settings

The 'vetting and barring' of people working with children has been identified as a priority area for CLiCP research. Here, we look at relatively recently emerging mechanisms and arrangements designed to protect children and young people from individuals who may pose a risk to them in the community. This work will include work examining where the real risks to children lie; focussing on the management sex offenders; and involve examining arrangements for vetting adults volunteering and working with children, and barring unsuitable adults.

Several strands of work in this area are underway. These will provide understanding of developments in vetting and barring arrangements across the UK, focussing on the effectiveness of these twin issues in promoting the safety of children in community settings.

4.1 Vetting and Barring – Legislation and Policy in Scotland

The first phase of the research analysing policy and legislation in Scotland is complete.

Output(s): CLiCP Briefing on Scotland (Complete November 2008)

Researcher(s): Connie Smith.

4.2 Vetting and Barring – Legislation and Policy in England, Wales and Northern Ireland

Analysis of legislation and policy in other parts of the UK is underway.

Output(s): CLiCP Briefing England and Wales (January 2009); CLiCP Briefing Northern Ireland (February 2009); CLiCP Briefing UK (April 2009)

Researcher(s): Connie Smith.

4.3 Vetting and Barring Across the UK: Making Children Safer?

The final phase of the project will compare and analyse the interface between the vetting and barring systems in operation in the separate jurisdictions of the UK, and will assess the implications for child safety.

A Seminar on vetting and barring will be organised by CLiCP in 2009 to enable sharing of work in this area and to facilitate discussion about vetting and barring schemes as an effective means of protecting children across the UK.

Output(s): CLiCP Report: Vetting and Barring Across the UK: Making Children Safer (March 2009); Seminar 2009

Researcher(s): Connie Smith.

5 Safeguarding and Protecting Children: Longer Term Directions

CLiCP was partly established to contribute to a more strategic, longer-term reflection on the kind of child protection system we wish to see across the UK into the future; to provide information to NSPCC to inform policy development. This aspect of our work remains at a developmental stage. There are two strands of work underway:

5.1 Developments in Safeguarding and Child Protection Across the UK: Visions and Aspirations

This work will look across the different parts of the UK to conduct comparative analysis of recent reform of safeguarding and protecting children - Every Child Matters in England; Children and Young People: Rights to Action in Wales; Getting it Right for Every Child in Scotland; and UNICINI in Northern Ireland. Particular attention will be paid to comparing the visions and aspirations driving this process of change.

Research is underway comparing and contrasting underlying visions and aspirations underpinning recent developments in safeguarding and protecting children across the UK. This will result in a CLiCP report in January 2009.

A seminar will be organised by CLiCP in February 2009 providing delegates from across the UK with the opportunity to participate in a debate about the way safeguarding and child protection reform is developing in each of the UK countries; to share thinking and compare experiences. Speakers will include policy makers in central and local government who have been central to the processes of reform in each part of the UK. Contributions to the seminar will be published in a collected edition.

Output(s): CLiCP Report (January 2009); UK Seminar (February 2009); Seminar paper February 2009; Book of collected papers from the Conference (May 2009).

Researcher(s): Sharon Vincent (with Anne Stafford and Nigel Parton)

5.2 Safeguarding and Protecting Children Across the UK: Longer Term Directions

Our overview of UK Child Protection policy across the UK is being conducted incrementally between 2008 – 2011 and will culminate in a major report/book in 2011.

The project will pull together and use information gathered from our analysis of key themes. It will include information about: the political contexts within which safeguarding and child protection sit within different parts of the UK; the visions and aspirations that shaped and informed child protection reform across the UK; a comparative overview of those reforms; legislation on safeguarding and child protection. It will include information about the operation of key parts of the system such as inter-agency guidance, assessment frameworks and tools, statistics, the roles and functions of safeguarding boards/child protection committees, processes for reviewing child deaths and serious cases, mechanisms for information sharing, information from the relevant inspection regimes, the various arrangements in place for vetting and barring across the UK.

The report and book will draw heavily on the core work of CLiCP conducted between 2008 – 2011. It will be also be augmented by information gathered from primary sources, including, key informant interviews, focus groups with key stakeholders and documentary analysis.

Output(s): Reports, papers, articles, events, book (2011)

Researcher(s): Anne Stafford, Sharon Vincent, Nigel Parton

COMMISSIONED RESEARCH

In addition to research building towards the UK overview of child protection, CLiCPs second stand of work concerns conducting commissioned research in areas identified as priorities. A number of externally funded studies are underway or have recently been completed, in the areas of: children and domestic abuse; child protection in sport; therapeutic services to children experiencing sexual abuse and the use of resilience as a concept in working with children. Brief information about each of these is provided below:

6 Children and Domestic Abuse

CLiCP has identified the issue of 'children and domestic abuse' as a priority area for research. Most of our research to date in this area has been focused on Scotland. This taps into a priority area of concern for Government in Scotland. Uniquely in the UK, Scotland has taken a national strategic approach to addressing domestic abuse, and within this, since June 2008 with the publication of its 'National Domestic Abuse Delivery Plan for Children and Young People', it has developed a national strategic approach to addressing the needs of children in this situation.

CLiCP has made a contribution to informing the development of policy and service development in this area; including research to ensure new services funded by government under the national scheme are shaped by children's views and experiences; consulting children on Government proposals to ensure the views of children shaped the national plan; conducting an evaluation of the 43 projects set up under the new Scottish Government fund to provide services to children experiencing domestic abuse; producing practical guidance on how best to conduct research and consult children experiencing domestic abuse. We provide information on each of these below:

6.1 Children and Domestic Abuse: Support Needs

This study was conducted in 2006/07, funded by The Scottish Government and Scottish Women's Aid, and published in July 2007. It explored the views, experiences and support needs of children and young people who have to move home as a result of domestic abuse. It explored the journey children made to being re-housed; the services and support they received along the way; their views of the services and support they received; the additional support they would have liked. Its aim was to make a contribution to improving existing services for children and young people in this situation and supporting the development of new ones. Output(s): Report and Summary report: The Support Needs of Children and Young People Who Have to Move Home Because of Domestic Abuse (July 2007)

[http://www.clhcp.ed.ac.uk/publications/Reports%20SWA/SWA_Research%20main%20Report\[1\].pdf](http://www.clhcp.ed.ac.uk/publications/Reports%20SWA/SWA_Research%20main%20Report[1].pdf)

[http://www.clhcp.ed.ac.uk/publications/Reports%20SWA/SWA_Research%20main%20Report\[1\].pdf](http://www.clhcp.ed.ac.uk/publications/Reports%20SWA/SWA_Research%20main%20Report[1].pdf)

Researcher(s): Anne Stafford et al.

6.2 Evaluation of the Children's Services Women's Aid Fund for the Scottish Government

CLiCP conducted the evaluation of new services set up under the Scottish Government Children's Services Women's Aid Fund to meet identified gaps in services to children and young people experiencing domestic abuse. The Scottish Government invested £6m (2006-8) through the Scottish Government Children's Services Women's Aid Fund to enable Women's Aid to have specialist workers to offer direct support to children and young people experiencing domestic abuse. The evaluation took a mainly case study approach but also involved interviews with key stakeholders and a questionnaire with children and young people experiencing domestic abuse.

Outputs: Report; Summary report: Evaluation of the Scottish Government Children's Services Women's Aid F: Scottish Government (complete October 2008)

Project Group: Anne Stafford, Connie Smith, Sharon Vincent.

6.3 Consulting Children and Young People on Strategic Proposals Emerging from the Scottish Government Domestic Abuse Delivery Group

CLiCP conducted a consultation exercise with children and young people who had experienced domestic abuse about the Scottish Government National Domestic Abuse Delivery Group Draft Proposals. Its purpose was to ensure young people had a voice in shaping the national delivery plan. The report was published alongside the Delivery Plan in June 2008.

Output(s): Report; Summary Report: Consulting Children and Young People on Strategic Proposals Emerging from the Scottish Government Domestic Abuse Delivery Group (Complete June 2008)

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/228227/0061832.pdf>

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/228219/0061831.pdf>

Researcher(s): Connie Smith et al.

6.4 Practical Guidance on Conducting Research and Consulting Children and Young People Experiencing Domestic Abuse

This practical guidance note has been produced by CLiCP to accompany The Scottish Government's National Domestic Abuse Delivery Plan for Children and Young People. The aim of the Delivery Plan is to ensure that priorities were implemented locally 'to enable more effective protection, provision, prevention and participation for all children, young people and their families affected, or at risk of being affected, by domestic abuse in Scotland' (Scottish Government, 2008).

The Delivery Plan was shaped by children and young people who had experienced domestic abuse and also contained a commitment that young people would continue to be involved in the three year implementation and review process. The aim of the practical guidance note is to provide information to those responsible for implementing the Delivery Plan with tools and

resources for the ongoing process of involving children and young people in The Plan's implementation. It provides practical information about consulting, researching and working in participative ways with children and young people experiencing domestic abuse. It sets out some principles on safe, effective engagement. It discusses the importance of planning and the need for careful consideration of young people's safety and wellbeing. It highlights challenges in seeking children's freely given consent and the importance to this particular group of young people of privacy and confidentiality.

Output(s): Report to the Scottish Government: Practical Guidance on Conducting Research and Consulting Children and Young People Experiencing Domestic Abuse Complete (Complete October 2008)

Researcher(s): Anne Stafford, Connie Smith.

6.5 Seminar: Children and Domestic Abuse

A seminar will be organised by CLiCP in 2009 to provide the opportunity to share and compare experiences of strategies and services to support children experiencing domestic abuse across the UK.

Output(s): Seminar paper and collected papers

Researcher: Anne Stafford.

7 The Experiences of Children and Young People in Sport Settings in the UK

CLiCP is conducting UK research examining children and young people's experiences (including negative and harmful experiences) of participating in organised sport. This major research project has two main elements: (1) a large scale online questionnaire, asking young undergraduates attending institutions across the UK to reflect on their experiences of having participated in organised sport as children; (2) follow-up qualitative interviews with a subset of young people completing the questionnaire. The study is the first detailed examination of risk to children in these settings. It is being conducted: to address the gap in knowledge about the nature and extent of child abuse in sport; to provide accurate and comprehensive information about child abuse in sport to those involved in developing policy. In the build up to the 2012 Olympic Games and the anticipated increase in numbers of children participating in sport, it is more important than ever to understand the exact nature of risk to children in sport. Also, while the positive role sport occupies in children's lives is well known and documented, the negatives are under-researched.

Output(s): Report September 2009

Researcher(s): Anne Stafford, Kate Alexander.

8 Mapping Therapeutic Services for Children and Young People who have been Sexually Abused: the Scottish Perspective

Research is underway to map the provision of services in Scotland to children and young people who have been sexually abused. Part of a UK-wide study (NSPCC is responsible for the overall management of the project) CLiCP is conducting the research in Scotland. The study maps the availability of therapeutic services to children and young people who have been sexually abused, raped or sexually exploited. A Scottish report and summary report of findings will be finalised in December 2008.

Output(s): Report Scotland (December 2008); Conference paper (February 2009)

Researcher(s): Natalie Morgan Klein, Anne Stafford

9 How is the Concept of Resilience Operationalised in Practice with Vulnerable Children

CLiCP contributed to a UK/Australian study which explored the way the concept of resilience is used in practice with vulnerable children. Focusing on organisations who explicitly use the concept of resilience in work with vulnerable children, it examined how practitioners translate this into practice. The study involved a survey of staff in service delivery projects working with vulnerable children and case studies. The research was conducted jointly with the University of Stirling and the children's organisation, Barnardo's.

Output(s): Report to the British Academy; How is the Concept of Resilience Operationalised in Practice with Vulnerable Children (Complete July 2008); Conference paper September 2008; Journal articles

Researcher(s): Sharon Vincent et al.

Appendix 1: Publications (2007/08)

Books

Stafford, A., Vincent, S (eds) (2008) Safeguarding and Protecting Children and Young People
Edinburgh: Dunedin Press

Stafford, A., Vincent, S (eds) (Forthcoming 2009) Child Protection Reform Across the UK.
Edinburgh: Dunedin

Vincent, S (Forthcoming 2009) Learning from Child Deaths and Serious Abuse. Edinburgh:
Dunedin Press

Book Chapters

Morgan-Klein, N., (2008) Child Protection in the 1950s and 1960s. In Stafford, A Vincent, S (eds)
(2008) Edinburgh: Dunedin Press

Morgan-Klein, N (2008) The Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 to the Children (Scotland) Act 1995
In Stafford, A Vincent, S (eds) (2008) Edinburgh: Dunedin Press

Vincent, S., Smith, C. (2008) The 1990s and the Children (Scotland) Act 1995. In Stafford, A
Vincent, S (eds) (2008) Edinburgh: Dunedin Press

Vincent, S., Morgan-Klein, N (2008) From 2000: A Period of Significant Reform. In Stafford, A
Vincent, S (eds) (2008) Edinburgh: Dunedin Press

Stafford, A. Vincent, S., Morgan-Klein, N. (2008) Themes, Threads and Tensions in Child Protection
1950 – 2007. In Stafford, A Vincent, S (eds) (2008) Edinburgh: Dunedin Press

Commissioned Reports

Daniel, B; Vincent, S. et al (2008) How is the Concept of Resilience Operationalised in Practice
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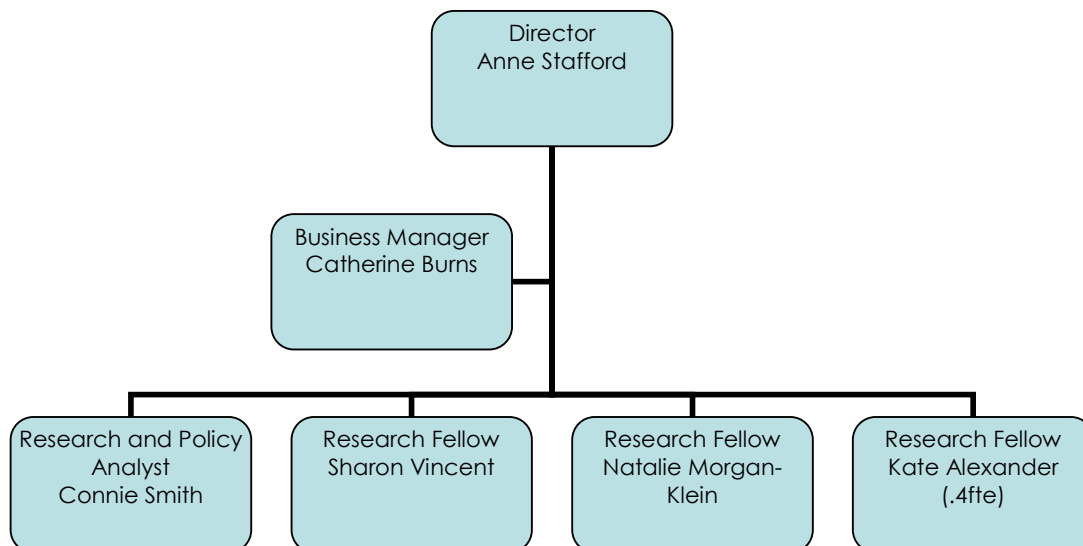
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Appendix 2: Staff and Advisory Committee

CLiCP Staff



Advisory Committee Members

Professor Pamela Munn (Chair): The Moray House School of Education, The University of Edinburgh

Jeannette Pugh (JP): Director, Safeguarding Group, Department for Children, Schools and Families

Professor Nigel Parton (NP): NSPCC Professor in Applied Childhood Studies, University of Huddersfield

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Anne Houston (AH): Chief Executive, Children 1st

Maggie Tierney (MT): Head of Child Protection Policy, Children, Young People and Social Care Directorate, The Scottish Government Child Protection Team

Christine Knight (CK): HM Inspector of Education

Professor Andrew Pithouse (AP): Cardiff University, School of Social Sciences

Representative, Welsh Assembly Government: (to be identified)

Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety, for Northern Ireland (to be identified)

In Attendance

Phillip Noyes: Director, Public Policy, NSPCC and Dr Anne Stafford: Director, CLiCP

Visiting Professor:- Professor Nigel Parton, the NSPCC Professor of NSPCC Professor in Applied Childhood Studies at the University of Huddersfield was made Visiting Professor at the School of Education from January 2008 for 3 years. He acts in a consultative capacity to CLiCP, contributing to the Centre's overview of child protection policy, beyond in Scotland to the UK, and internationally.

Appendix 3: Proposed CLiCP Seminar Programme

Safeguarding and Protecting Children in Different Parts of the UK: Learning from Reform Programmes

When: 26th February 2009

Where: Edinburgh

Attendance: Invited delegates UK

Seminar 2: Learning from Child Death and Serious Case Reviews in the UK

When: 25th March 2009

Where: Edinburgh

Attendance: Invited delegates UK

Seminar 3 Children and Domestic Abuse: Developments across the UK

When: September 09

Where: London or Edinburgh

Attendance: Invited delegates UK

Seminar 5: Negative and Positive Experiences of Children in Sport Settings Across the UK

When: February 2010

Where: Edinburgh or London (Joint CLiCP/NSPCC)

Attendance: Invited Delegates UK

Seminar 6: Vetting and Barring Across the UK

When: 2009

Where: Edinburgh or London

Attendance: Policy makers, service managers and employers of child care staff

Appendix 4: Table: Research Activity

Projects and Activities	Outputs	Status	Timescale	Responsible	Funder
UK COMPARATIVE WORK: Overview of Safeguarding and Protecting Children in the UK Themes building to the Overview of Child Protection in the UK (below):	UK Report/ Book/Articles/Briefings/Events	Current	2008- 2011	AS/NP/all CLiCP staff	Core
UK Political structures and processes: the context for safeguarding and protecting children (3 strands):					
(1) Political processes, structures and contexts in the UK	Report	Ongoing	Sept 09	CS	Core
(2) Devolution in the UK: Powers and Structures in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland	Briefing	Complete	June 08	CS	Core
(3) Developing Relationships between Central and Local Government in Scotland	Briefing	Current	Jan 09	CS	Core
Safeguarding and Protecting Children: Policy, Systems and Processes (8 strands)					
(1) Overview of Safeguarding and Protecting Children in Scotland	Book: Safeguarding and Protecting Children:	Complete	June 08	All	Core
(2) Inter-agency Guidance in Relation to Child Protection: A UK Comparison	Report/Briefing	Complete	June 2008	SV	Core
(3) Child Protection Statistics: A UK Comparison	Briefing	Complete	June 2008	SV	Core
(4) Mechanisms for the Strategic Implementation, development and monitoring of inter-agency child protection policy and practice in the UK: the role of Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs) and (Area) Child Protection Committees ((A)CPCs)	Report/Briefing	Complete	Oct 08	SV	Core
(5) Assessment Frameworks and Tools: A UK comparison	Report/Briefing	Current	Feb 09	SV	Core
(6) Information Sharing, Safeguarding and Protecting Children: A UK comparison	Report/Briefing	Current	May 09	SV	Core
(7) Legislation to Safeguard and Protect Children and Young People across the UK	Report/Briefing	Current	Feb 09	CS	Core
(8) Learning from Child Deaths and Serious cases (2strands):					
(a) Learning from Child Death and Serious Case Reviews in the UK	Report/Briefing;	Current	Jan 08	SV	Core

Projects and Activities	Outputs	Status	Timescale	Responsible	Funder
	Seminar; Seminar paper	Current	March 09	SV	Core
	Book	Current	May 09	SV	Core
(b) A Review of Child Death and Significant Child abuse Cases in Scotland (1975 – 2000)	Report Scotland (joint with SCCYP)	Complete	Aug 07	SV	Core/ SCCYP
Safeguarding and Protecting Children in Community Settings (3 Strands)					
(1) Vetting and Barring - Legislation and Policy in Scotland	Briefing Scotland	Current	Nov 08	CS	Core
(2) Vetting and Barring - Legislation and Policy in England, Wales and Northern Ireland	Briefings England, Wales, Northern Ireland; UK	Current	April 09	CS	Core
(3) Vetting and Barring: Making Children Safer?	Report UK comparison	Current	Mar 09	CS	Core
Safeguarding and Protecting Children: Longer Term Directions (2 strands)					
(1) Developments in Safeguarding and Child Protection Across the UK: Visions, Contexts and Aspirations	CLiCP Starter Paper	Current	Jan 09 May 09	AS/NP	Core
	UK Seminar; Seminar paper	Current	February 2009	AS/SV	Core
	Book: collected papers from the Seminar	Current	May 2009	AS/NP/SV	Core
(2) Safeguarding and Protecting Children Across the UK: Longer Term Directions	Reports, papers, articles, events, book	Current	2008 – 2011	AS/NP/ SV	Core
Issues for Possible Future Consideration:					
Learning from Safeguarding and Child Protection Inspection Reports: A UK comparison	Report/Briefing	Future	TBC	TBA	Core
Role of Non-governmental Organisations in Delivering Children's Services: A UK comparison:	Report/Briefing	Future	TBC	TBA	Core
The Interface between Adult Services and Children's Services: A UK Comparison:	Report/Briefing	Future	TBC	TBA	Core
Asylum Seeking and Trafficked Children: A UK Policy Comparison	Report/Briefing	Future	TBC	TBA	Core
COMMISSIONED RESEARCH:					

Projects and Activities	Outputs	Status	Timescale	Responsible	Funder
Children and domestic abuse (5 strands)					
(1) The Support Needs of Children and Young People who have to leave home because of domestic abuse	Report Conference Presentations	Complete	April 07	AS et al	Scottish Government/Scottish Women's Aid
(2) Evaluation of the Scottish Government Children's Services Women's Aid Fund	Report Summary Report	Complete	Oct 08	AS/SV/CS	Scottish Government
(3) Consulting Children and Young People with Experience of Domestic Abuse on the Scottish Government National Domestic Abuse Delivery Group Proposals	Report	Complete	June 08	CS et al	Scottish Government
Principles and Ethics of Engaging Children and Young People Experiencing Domestic Abuse	Report	Complete	Oct 08	CS/AS	Scottish government
Children and Domestic Abuse: Strategic Interventions across the UK	Seminar UK	Current	Sept 09	AS/SV/CS	Core
The Experiences of Children and Young People in Sport Settings in the UK	Report Book	Current	Sept 09 Mar 10	KA/AS/SV	NSPCC project
Mapping Therapeutic Services to Children and Young People who may have been Sexually Abused	UK report (joint with NSPCC research staff)	Current	Nov 08	NMK/AS	NSPCC project
	Scotland Report	Current	Dec 08	NMK/AS	NSPCC project
	Conference Paper Scotland	Current	April 09	NMK	Core
How is the Concept of Resilience Operationalised in Practice with Vulnerable Children	Report (joint with others); Journal Articles submitted	Complete	June 08	SV/others	BritAcademy

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