**Neglect Strategy - Response Tool**

**Introduction**

This template is provided by the partnerships to support organisations in formulating their response to the joint Neglect Strategy. It sets out in a simple table format, the main elements of the strategy, the shared priorities and provides space for an agency response. This can be routinely reviewed by organisations and used to update the respective Safeguarding Partnership*.*

*It is acknowledged that not all partners will be able to contribute to every area so please review all the priorities and identify those relevant to your organisation.*

**Priority / Action / Status**

Each organisation should review the shared priorities and consider how their organisation can support the implementation through their own workforce and service delivery.

On initial completion a copy should be submitted to the Safeguarding Partnership. Updates will be sought periodically.

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| **Recognise** – ensuring that neglect and the impact of neglect on children is understood and identified |
| **Priority** | **Action** | **Status** |
| 1. Work with parents/carers and communities to raise awareness of neglect and its impact.
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| 1. Train and develop the workforce to ensure that all practitioners are able to identify neglect and know the pathways of support available for families.
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| 1. Prioritise early identification and intervention – to ensure children get the right help, at the right time and ensuring help, support and intervention is considered, assessed and offered by all services.
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| **Respond** – ensuring that good quality, multi-agency support and intervention is available and makes a difference for children experiencing neglect |
| **Priority** | **Action** | **Status** |
| 1. Embed strengths-based approaches across the partnership, supported by the roll-out of training and development.
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| 1. Launch and develop an Engagement Strategy, to help practitioners understand the barriers to engagement and how to overcome them.
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| 1. Raise awareness of trauma-informed practice / adverse childhood experiences across partner agencies.
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| 1. Embed use of the Child Neglect toolkit and research other tools that can be used across the partnership.
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| 1. Support the workforce and parents to recognise the links between Sudden Unexpected Death in Infants (SUDI) and neglect, specifically in relation to unsafe sleeping practice.
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| **Reflect and Review** – ensuring that, as a partnership, we work together with children, families and communities to continue to monitor the impact of our work and continue to develop our partnership response. |
| **Priority** | **Action** | **Status** |
| 1. Develop a shared performance framework to monitor the prevalence of neglect across the local area and to evidence the impact of our work across the partnership.
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| 1. Engage with children, young people, parents, carers and communities to explore their experiences, inform decision and co-produce future work in this area.
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| **Organisation** |  |
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