Public Law Outline
Information for Parents about Court Proceedings

Introduction

Children and Family Services has significant concerns about the welfare of your child

Your child's social worker is responsible for:

- Producing a plan that ensures your child is safe and has the benefit of a stable and secure future
- Arranging a meeting with you and your solicitor to discuss Children's Services concerns about the welfare of your child, and
- Identifying what needs to change to improve things for the better

What happens next?

Your social worker has arranged a meeting with you and your solicitor to:

- Clarify the concerns of Children's Services
- Agree what supports you may need in order to make changes to prevent going to court
- Identify any members of your extended family who able to offer support to you and your child
- Identify any members of your extended family who could care for your child if you are unable to do so

What you need to do next:

- Contact a solicitor – a list has been attached to the letter
- Identify family members
- Confirm with your child's social worker that you will be attending the meeting

- Attend the meeting that has been arranged

What will happen if you do nothing?

Children's Services will consider taking immediate legal action which could include the removal of your child

Who to contact if you do not understand what is happening:

You should make contact with your child's social worker immediately. If they are not available you must ask to speak with their manager

Our contact details

If you need more help, please contact us and ask to speak with a social care.

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