

**Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Act
Training, Operations, Guidance and Diversion (TOG&D)
Task and Finish Group Meeting**

Monday 17 January 2022

Summary of Meeting

1. Welcome

Attendees were welcomed to the meeting.

2. Minutes and actions

The minutes of the last meeting of 18 October were agreed.

3. Out of court parenting support scheme and safeguarding Practice Guide

The following was discussed:

i. Practice Guide

- The Wales Safeguarding Procedures (WSPs) Project Board confirmed that the Practice Guide to sit alongside the existing WSPs will be published in the week commencing 7 February.

ii. Out of court parenting support scheme

- The service will need to be in place by the time the law changes on 21 March 2022. Police and local authorities are working to put in place:
 - The most appropriate referral pathway between each police force and the local authorities.
 - Arrangements for suitable information sharing between the police and local authorities when a referral is made (in compliance with the Data Protection Act 2018).

iii. Leaflet for parents

- The group considered the content of a leaflet for parents which provides information about what they can expect from the out of court parenting support and what will be expected from them.

4. Next Steps

Next meeting 4 March.

