# Working together to keep children safe



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## Multi partners updates on Coronavirus – (Covid19)

Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board have produced a roundup of partners updates around change of services due to the Coronavirus (Covid 19). Please visit the relevant agencies websites for more information.

### Catch 22 Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire

Catch 22 have released a new flyer giving information around Child Sexual Exploitation, Child Criminal Exploitation & Missing Service during COVID-19.

Due to the current restrictions, Catch 22 one-to-one work is taking place via phone or video call and they are sending out a range of resources and activities for young people and their families, although they will consider face-to-face support where necessary and appropriate.

For more information or to order copies of these resources contact; T: 01782 237106 E: catch22cse@catch-22.org.uk

### YMCA North Staffordshire

YMCA North Staffordshire will offer support to the community in the following ways:

The Family Work Team will: Provide support to families requesting help. This support for families may address concerns such as, Domestic Abuse, Parenting, Conflict between family members, managing social isolation, ideas for children of all ages, advice on childcare and strategies for ensuring families can remain under the same roof and can manage their relationships. Catch 22 can support with communication skills, how to resolve conflict and provide advice and support when things get difficult.

Catch 22 are also support community groups with the delivery of essential items and the delivery of family resource and activity packs free of charge to help social isolation.

In addition, the youth services team have created a bespoke online offer via platforms including Zoom, Instagram and Facebook to keep young people aged 10-15 entertained at home.

For more information visit; www.ymcans.org.uk/response

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## The Reducing Reoffending Program (RRP)

RRP have updated their Exceptional Delivery Model to reflect ongoing changes to service now that the government have extended the lockdown period.

Please note that there is minimal front-line delivery at their sites in Worksop, Mansfield, Chesterfield, Loughborough, Tamworth and Stafford but this is based on service user need in terms of homeless/NFA prison release and these arrangements flex according to this need.

Case admin staff do not have any face to face contact with service users and are working from home in the main.

For more information please contact <a href="mailto:Tony.kuffa@rrpgov.uk">Tony.kuffa@rrpgov.uk</a>

## Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board (SSSCB)

The Board have commissioned an 'Implications of Covid-19' Risk Assessment to set out an update in relation to the delivery of services by Staffordshire County Council, Stoke-on-Trent City Council, Staffordshire's Commissioners Office and Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) and the Police during the Covid-19 Pandemic. Activity is being closely monitored along with the impact changes in services are having to ensure that services are maintained in a way that would not put any child at risk.

#### **NSPCC**

The NSPCC have produced a leaflet for parents on 'How to talk to children about Covid19' full of information and useful tips to engage children safely along with contact numbers and links to agencies that can help.

For more information visit <a href="https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/coronavirus-advice-suppport-children-families-parents/">https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/coronavirus-advice-suppport-children-families-parents/</a>