

Children, Young People and Learning Scrutiny Committee
As Soon As Possible: Policy Review recommendations 11/12

Appendix B

Ref	Recommendation	Action	Owner	Due Date	Progress Commentary
(a)	That the CAF assessment form is reviewed with particular consideration given to a shorter streamlined form which is less onerous to complete	•			
(b)	That the option of a dedicated single point of contact for any CAF assessor to contact for support and advice around thresholds prior to completing a full CAF assessment is explored	•			
(c)	That the CAF assessment process and threshold are considered for a comprehensive re-launch within Sunderland, following any CAF form redesign, and this is communicated to all stakeholders	•			
(d)	That an effective communication strategy is put in place to ensure that future changes to the early intervention offer, CAF assessment process or CAF thresholds can be effectively communicated to all stakeholders including elected Members	•			

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(e)	That further comprehensive training is made available to key stakeholders to provide a clear understanding of the differentials in thresholds between early intervention support and safeguarding;	•			
(f)	That the initial CAF assessor is routinely invited to attend the relevant CAF panel meeting in relation to their initial assessment	•			
(g)	That locality based teams look to increase their engagement with local partners through the development of more integrated working practices and approaches that promote locality services and the early intervention core offer with local partners and the community	•			
(h)	That the development of a specific data set of outcome measures for locality based working and early intervention be undertaken by the Directorate with a particular focus on measuring outcomes	•			

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(i)	That the Children, Young People and Learning Scrutiny Committee write to the DfE requesting that they look to undertake research into the CAF process across the country	The Scrutiny Committee will draft a letter to the Department for Education. The letter will be afforded final approval at a formal meeting of the Committee. Any correspondence and subsequent actions will be communicated through the Committee.	N Cummings		
(j)	That the actions arising from the recent independent reviews and Ofsted inspections relating to this agenda are combined into a single Action Plan which is monitored by the Children, Young People and Learning Scrutiny Committee	The Scrutiny Committee will receive appropriate reports relating to the independent reviews and Ofsted inspection to facilitate a monitoring role in relation to identified actions.			

