

6d. Disclosure or reporting of allegations of child sexual abuse (including complaints and whistleblowing policies and procedures)

Internal / Multi-agency	Source	Name of document	Date of document	Overview of Purpose
Internal	Policy and procedure guide (community homes)	Authority to consent	1978	The policy mentions independent visitors being informed of children having disease or injury however no policy has been found as yet which describes the process of allocating a visitor or their role during this time period.
Internal	1997 PPG	Children's services-independent visitors	1991	The local authority has a duty to appoint an independent visitor for any child it is looking after if the child has infrequent contact with parents or has not been visited by a parent in 12 months. The functions of the independent visitors are to visit, advise and befriend a child and to be directed towards the welfare of the child.
Internal	2002 PPG Section 5: Foster Care	Foster placement report by the child's social worker	2001	Form to be completed by child's/ young person's social worker when the child/ young person leaves a foster placement OR prior to a foster carer Review when the child/ young leaves a foster placement.
Internal	2002 PPG Section 5: Foster Care	Foster placement report by young person	2001	The form asks a question around safety and whether they felt safe in the environment
Internal	Whistleblowing Policy		2001	External provider engaged to provide a confidential service to employees wishing to use the procedure.

Internal	PPG 2002 Section 7: Residential care	Children's services- Exit interviews- residential care	2003	The purpose of the interview includes: to obtain feedback on the quality of service provided; to help identify dangerous or inappropriate practices; to enable action to improve the service offered by NCC homes
Internal	PPG 2005	Independent visitors	2005	Function and role of independent visitors for looked after children.
Multi-agency	PPG 2007	Safer working practice: preventing unsuitable people from working with children and young people. Inter-agency practice guidance	2007	Includes a section on whistleblowing and recommends all agencies have appropriate policies in place.
Internal	PPG 2012	Advocacy and Independent Visitors	2012	When to appoint advocates and independent visitors and their role
Internal	PPG 2012	Whistleblowing Policy (Confidential Reporting)	2012	How an employee can raise a concern
Internal	PPG 2012	Complaints and Representations	2012	Who can make a complaint and how it will be dealt with
Internal	PPG 2016	Advocacy and Independent Visitors	2016	The policy was updated following the introductions of the Children's Homes (England) regulations 2015.
Internal	PPG 2017	Advocacy and Independent Visitors	2017	The policy was updated to include a link to the Children's Society 'Advocacy services for children and young people – a guide for commissioners'.