

Learning Lessons Briefing published following Knife Crime Thematic Review Released: Monday 2 October 2023

A Learning Lessons Briefing has today been published by Wolverhampton Safeguarding Together to share key findings from a Thematic Review of Knife Crime.

The review was commissioned following three incidents of serious youth violence that occurred in the city between April and June 2022.

The Learning Lessons Briefing has been published on the Wolverhampton Safeguarding Together website. For more information, please visit www.wolverhamptonsafeguarding.org.uk/publications-and-resources.

Richard Fisher, Chair of Wolverhampton Safeguarding Together Executive Board, said: "Serious incidents involving youth violence and knife crime are thankfully rare, but when they do occur, they can very sadly often end in tragedy and the loss of a young life.

"This Thematic Review of Knife Crime is a very thorough piece of work that provides a number of important recommendations for practitioners across four different themes, Training and Professional Development, Risk Assessment and Response, Intelligence and Information Sharing, and Strategy and Governance.

"It also highlighted the fact that professional intervention alone is rarely able to change the trajectory of children's lives and make a significant difference to their outcomes - in many cases, this can only be achieved by working in effective collaboration with families, children and whole communities."

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Note to editors:

1/ Wolverhampton Safeguarding Together Board provides strategic leadership for safeguarding work to ensure there is a consistently high standard of professional response to situations where there is actual or suspected harm. For more information, please visit www.wolverhamptonsafeguarding.org.uk.