

Ending Child Protection Plans outside of a Child Protection Conference

Northamptonshire Children's Trust guidance is to be read in conjunction with guidance on Local Safeguarding Partnership website. [Welcome to the Northamptonshire Safeguarding Children Board Procedures Manual](#)



Ending CP plans when child is 18 years

When a young person reaches 18 years of age, they are no longer a child and will not require a Child Protection Plan. This can be discussed at a Child Protection Conference prior to their 18th birthday and the outcome of ending the Child Protection Plan on their 18th birthday can be agreed. Alternatively, if this has not been previously discussed, once a young person turns 18 years old the Child Protection Chairperson should hold a conversation with the relevant Team Manager for the child (this should be recorded) and then the Chairperson with support from conference administrators will end the Child Protection Plan, the family and all involved agencies should be advised of this by letter.

Ending CP plan when child CIC (Child In Care)

Where a Care order or Interim Care Order is in place the child/young person will no longer require a Child Protection Plan. The Child Protection Chairperson will end the CP plan after they have spoken with the Independent Reviewing Officer and updated them. Then the Chairperson with support from conference administrators can end the Child Protection Plan, the family and all involved agencies should be advised of this by letter.

Where the child or young person is looked after under a voluntary section 20 arrangement then the Child Protection Plan should remain in place until the 1st CLA review where the care plan will be ratified. Immediately after the 1st CLA review the Conference Chairperson with support from conference administrators will end the Child Protection Plan, the family and all involved agencies should be advised of this by letter.

Ending CP plan when Interim Supervision Order/Supervision Order in place

Children on Interim Supervision Order/Supervision Order will not require a Child Protection Plan. Where a Supervision Order or Interim Supervision Order is in place, the Child Protection Chairperson will end the CP plan after a conversation is held with the child's social work Team Manager. Then the Chairperson with support from conference administrators can end the Child Protection Plan, the family and all involved agencies should be advised of this by letter.

Ending CP plan when in Care proceedings

Where an application has been made to the court, but no order has been made, the CP plan will continue unless the child becomes S20 where the CLA review meeting as above would be the end point of the plan. Immediately after the 1st CLA review the Conference Chairperson with support from conference administrators will end the Child Protection Plan, the family and all involved agencies should be advised of this by letter.

Ending CP Plan and Public Law Outline (PLO) Pre proceedings process

Where a child is subject of the PLO process it will not be appropriate to end a Child Protection Plan. The PLO process must be finalised before a recommendation to step down to CIN is taken to a review conference. An early conference meeting can be requested once the PLO process is ended and the core group feel it is appropriate to do so, so that consideration can be given to ending the CP plan due to the progress made. The electronic case file should be up to date and there should be a manager's footprint that highlights the PLO process has come to an end. The Child Protection Plan will remain in place until a decision to end the plan is made at a review Child protection Conference.