

	<u>Agenda Item: 15</u>
Report to:	Birmingham Health & Wellbeing Board
Date:	28th March 2024
TITLE:	Birmingham and Solihull Child Death Review Team and Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP) Annual Report 2022-23
Organisation	Birmingham & Solihull Integrated Care System
Presenting Officer	Mel McKenzie

Report Type:	Information
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1. Purpose:
1.1. To note the Birmingham and Solihull CDOP Annual Report for 2022-23.

2. Implications (tick all that apply):		
Creating a Bolder, Healthier, City (2022-2030) – Strategic Priorities	Closing the Gap (Inequalities)	X
	Theme 1: Healthy and Affordable Food	
	Theme 2: Mental Wellness and Balance	
	Theme 3: Active at Every Age and Ability	
	Theme 4: Contributing to a Green and Sustainable Future	
	Theme 5: Protect and Detect	
	Getting the Best Start in Life	X
	Living, Working and Learning Well	
	Ageing and Dying Well	
Joint Strategic Needs Assessment		

3. Recommendation

- 3.1. For Health and Wellbeing Board members to note the Annual Report for 2022-23 for the Birmingham and Solihull CDOP.

4. Report Body

- 4.1. The Child Death Review Team (CDRT) is a multi-professional group that is part of the wider Safeguarding Team at NHS Birmingham and Solihull Integrated Care Board (ICB).
- 4.2. They are responsible for the co-ordination of a joint agency response (JAR) in the case of unexpected child deaths. They are also responsible for convening the Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP). This panel is a multi-agency, independent panel which reviews the circumstances of the child's death.
- 4.3. In the period from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023, there 45 child deaths subject to a JAR; 36 children were resident in Birmingham and 9 children were resident in Solihull.
- 4.4. 27 child deaths requiring a JAR were reviewed and closed at CDOP during this period. 19 of these child deaths were male and 8 child deaths were female. 22 deaths had modifiable factors involved (e.g. substance misuse, self-harm, poor home accommodation) and 5 deaths did not include modifiable factors.
- 4.5. 140 deaths in total were reviewed by Birmingham CDOP in 2022-23. The majority of these deaths are in infants under the age of 1 year.
- 4.6. The recommendations in this annual report for next year (2023/24) were:
- 4.6.1. To ensure BCH implements joint Child Death Review Meetings (CDRM) for all deaths.**
 - 4.6.2. Continued close working with Public Health. Thematic analysis of consanguinity and the impact on infant mortality.**
 - 4.6.3. Gain a greater understanding of parent/carer experience of the JAR process by collecting their feedback and using this to inform/improve service provision.**

5. Compliance Issues

- 5.1. HWBB Forum Responsibility and Board Update

The Birmingham & Solihull Child Death Review Team will provide the Health and Wellbeing Board with its annual report as an update on an annual basis.

- 5.2. Management Responsibility

Birmingham & Solihull Child Death Review Team

- 5.3. Finance Implications

N/a

5.4. Legal Implications

N/a

5.5. Equalities Implications (Public Sector Equality Duty)

N/a

6. Risk Analysis

Identified Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Actions to Manage Risk
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None identified			
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Appendices

Appx 1 – Child Death Overview Panel Annual Report 2022-23

Background Papers

The following people have been involved in the preparation of this board paper:

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