**Pre-Birth Process flowchart**

If threshold met and decision made at Legal Gateway – Pre proceedings

Strategy meeting required - held at week 28 of the pregnancy to enable an effective pre-birth conference around week 30. *All pre births which identify the child may be at risk of significant harm should progress to strategy meeting/S47 enquiries/ICPC unless otherwise directed at Legal Gateway.*

Legal Gateway required - to have taken place by week 22 at the latest. Emergency slot or cancellation list to be utilised if the next available date isn’t suitable.

Comprehensive pre-birth assessment to be undertaken with a view to returning to LGW in 10 weeks’ time to enable a decision and outcome being provided to parents by week 35 of the pregnancy.

Birth Planning Meeting to discuss discharge planning.

Alongside statutory processes

Child Protection Plan

Child in Need Plan – with consideration to birth planning meeting included

Comprehensive pre-birth assessment completed

SW and Practice Manager to review assessment at day 15 day and consider whether a slot should be booked on Legal Gateway based on information gathered and available at this point. If LGW is considered necessary discussion to be had with SM to confirm this.

Consideration of early FGC referral/family meeting.

Comprehensive Pre-Birth assessment to be completed utilising tools, schedule, and planned sessions by working day 40, or if going to LGW assessment only to contain robust and through history and analysis if recommending comprehensive assessment is undertaken within pre-proceedings.

If threshold met for Children’s Social Care intervention refer to Duty and Assessment Team by week 12 (DAT) for Pre Birth C&F Assessment.

Close to Universal Services

Support from Early Help

Level 2 intervention and support

Bridge screening to determine threshold.

Refer to Strengthening Families if criteria met.

Referral to Bridge/MASH **as soon as parent is pregnant and concerns identified.**