



Child Yvonne

Local Child Safeguarding Practice Review



Wednesday, 5th
November 2025



Registration and
coffee 9.00 am
Event closes 1.00 pm



Buile Hill Park Hall,
Eccles Old Road,
Salford M6 8GL

Learning Event



What is it about?

Take part in a powerful learning event with colleagues, exploring the lived experiences of Yvonne, a much-loved child with complex needs and disabilities, and her mother.

Explore how Yvonne and her mother's lived experiences were recognised systemically.

Learn about the increased risks of mental health challenges for parent carers, and how these can affect the safety and well-being of both the child and the adult.

Opportunities to reflect and learn

Please join Suzy Kitching MBE, the independent reviewer, who will share key learning and reflect on what you and Partner agencies across adult and children's services can do to take forward the learning and recommendations.

We are privileged to be joined by Dr Siobhan O'Dwyer, Associate Professor of Social Care at the University of Birmingham. Cited in the review, she has led research on suicide and homicide in family carers for the last 15 years, including studies in Australia, the UK, the USA, and the Netherlands. She will be sharing her insights into the factors that drive these deaths and what can be done to prevent them.

Outcomes

Reflect on Yvonne and her mother's life systemically.

Strengthened collaboration and communication between adult mental health services and children's services.

Improved understanding of the factors that influence suicide and homicide in family carers and what can be done preventatively.

Improved parent-carer assessments that work across adult and children's services, which fully appreciate the emotional impact of caring for children with long-term complex needs.



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