

Subject: Axel update FYI

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Following a call with Emma Lambert at Lancashire LEA the other day I have now spoken with Matthew Hall a 'Children's Champion' also with Lancashire LEA. Emma had asked him to contact me.

I know one of you has a review tomorrow at 1.30 for Axel as it is on the calendar.

I have expressed our concerns again about the vulnerability of Axel and his school attendance of 7.3% with unauthorised absences of 81.8%.

I have shared concerns that he has not been seen by staff despite our best efforts since 25th May . I have been clear that we have tried everything possible to engage him but have not been able to even complete a welfare home visit. He suggested we send police! I explained this is not appropriate and that we do not have specific safeguarding concerns which warrant a social care referral hence the early help one for support.

The upshot is that he will now check their system to see where Gayle Lavelle (SEN) is up to . I have also given him Samantha Steed's name at CAMHS .

I explained Sefton's FDR system including home visits and Matthew informed me Lancashire do not do this. He said if Axel was more local he would pop out but he lives 90 minutes away and it is not a good use of his time.

Hayley I shared your view that year 12 may not be a viable option for him as we cannot meet need nor engage Axel to attend.

Karen Gray has completed the early help and put that in today.

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