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Dear colleagues

WSCP -Initial Response to CHSPR – Child Q

Child Q’s harrowing account of what has happened to her and how she now feels is central to how we all feel about this tragic episode. We have heard the voices of her mother and aunt and how they are also feeling and struggling to come to terms with what happened to child Q. We have heard and seen the voices of the community coming together to stand collectively to say, “enough is enough”.

There will be time to reflect on what happened and what changes are needed but now is not the time to draw conclusions. We as Wandsworth’s Safeguarding Childrens’ Partners, acknowledge the avalanche of feelings and to listen carefully to all voices.

The indignities that Child Q suffered at the hands of the state reminds us of the many other injustices including racism black people have had to withstand and suffer not just in recent times but over the course of history.

We know that many of our colleagues have signed petitions, gathered in solidarity over the weekend and rallied together, in a call for justice.

We want to assure all children, community and staff that we are listening and encourage you to come forward in speaking up, calling out injustices wherever, whenever and to work together to ensure that this never happens in Wandsworth. Whist we all feel frightened and angered let’s condemn and champion justice, in each action and in a harmonious and united voice of reason and cohesion.

Yours sincerely

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