

Safeguarding Reviews

The death of Baby Peter has highlighted that compliance alone does not protect children. This comes as no surprise to us in Reconstruct nor, I am sure, does it surprise you. Recent publications from Lord Laming, *Learning Lessons*, *Taking Actions* and *Learning Together to Safeguard Children* have highlighted the need for a new approach to analysing practice; a move away from audits to qualitative reviews.

In light of this, we have developed an innovative partnership approach that provides you with a comprehensive but practical and effective Safeguarding Review. Our team of senior practitioners, first-line and senior managers, and academics have solid experience of doing the job with various agencies as well as the specialist skills of reviewing the job.

From the outset, we agree with you the particular areas we will analyse, taking into account recent Serious Case Reviews, reports, publications, recognised best practice and your own audits. This joint planning stage is crucial to getting the best out of the review.

We then:

- interview staff
- observe practice
- analyse business plans, reports and case records
- develop questionnaires, and
- conduct focus groups

Finally, we provide you with a comprehensive report highlighting strengths and weaknesses and containing a practical action plan.

Prices range from £15,000 – £50,000 depending upon the size and depth of the work required. If you would like further information please contact Barry Raynes.

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