



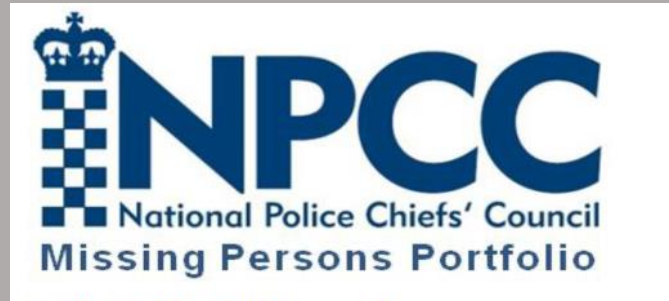
Missing People

ACC Catherine Hankinson

NPCC Lead for Missing People



Children Missing from Care Framework





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Under Recording

Unnecessary Reporting

Philomena Protocol

Levels of Intervention Model

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No Immediate Intervention Required

Parental/ Care Intervention

Police Intervention



This is not a Return to the Concept of Absent!

“Under the controversial new police recording system, introduced in 2013, children began to be classed as either ‘missing’ or ‘absent’... We heard evidence that children reported as absent – for whom the police decided there was ‘no apparent risk’ ended up falling through the safety net, exploited by adults for sex or criminal activity such as running drugs across county lines.”

All Party Parliamentary Group 2016



**National Protocol on
reducing the
unnecessary
criminalisation of
looked after children
and care leavers (2018)**

**Howard League for
Penal Reform Report
'Know your Numbers'
(2019)**

"Police callouts to children's homes have been a concern for some years across the UK.

The police are always there in cases of emergencies, but too often we are called for incidents which are not appropriate for the police to be involved with...

Missing incidents can contribute to unnecessary criminalisation."

Missing People Consultation of Young People

I am just having a good time with my friends and then they ask my friends if they have seen me. It is embarrassing!

It creeps me out, as soon as I see a cop car, I leg it. It makes me paranoid.

Calling police is not giving young people a chance to cool off. Keep lines of communication open and do your best to find them yourself.

It looks really bad when you are at a friend's house and the police come. How is that normal?

Philomena Protocol

Risk
Assessment

Prevention
Plan

Information
about the
Child

Actions the
Carer Takes

When to
Inform the
Police

How to Identify Risk

Antecedent Behaviour

Trigger Incidents

Out of Character Behaviour

Post Incident Behaviour



Next Steps

Pilot in West Yorkshire.

Evaluate the pilot.

The ADCS and LGA interest.

Promote the framework nationally.

ICHA and Keys Group also intend to adopt the framework.