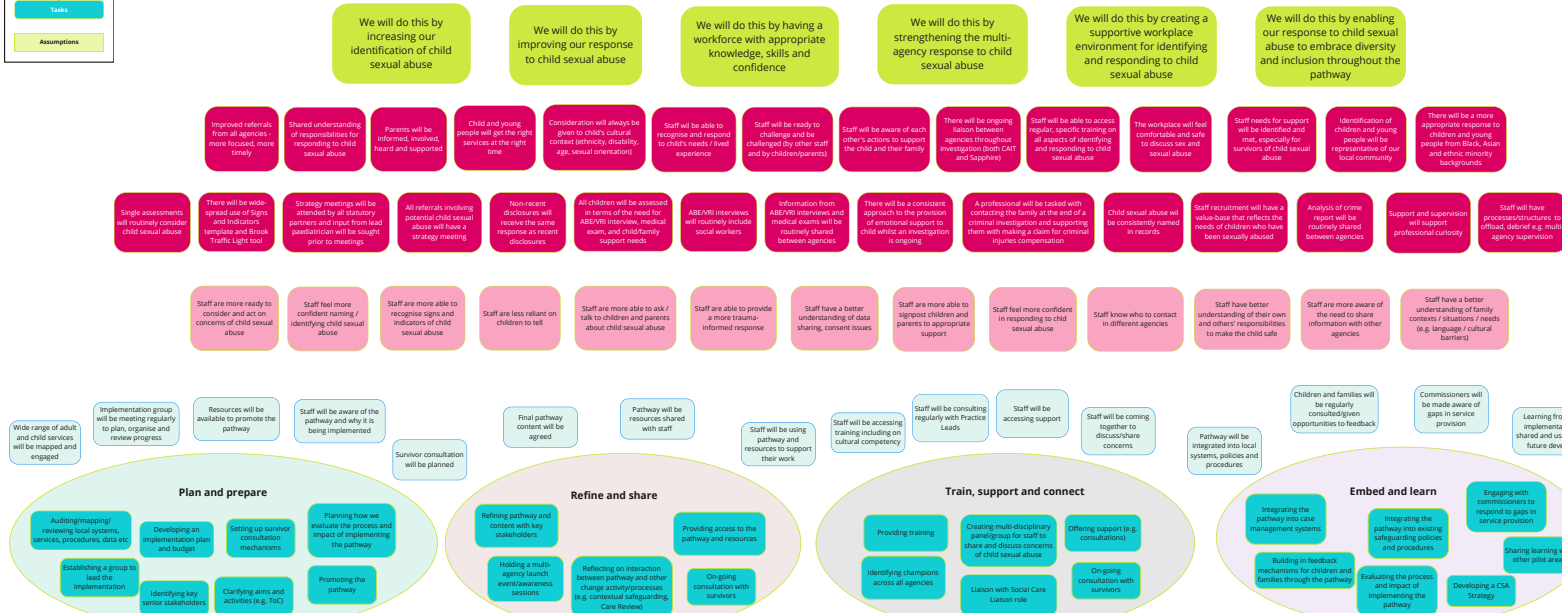


## Theory of change for the implementation of the CSA Centre's Child Sexual Abuse Response Pathway in Barking and Dagenham [draft 2112/21]

By implementing the Child Sexual Abuse Response Pathway, we want all children and young people who are being or have been sexually abused to get the support and protection they need



## IMPLEMENTING THE CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE RESPONSE PATHWAY IN BARKING & DAGENHAM

### Assumptions:

- we can get wider buy-in for the implementation of the pathway and the changes this brings
- staff have the time to engage with this
- agencies have the resources to support this
- pace of change doesn't increase further

## CONTEXT

### ***Identification and response***

- Child sexual abuse not always identified and when it is, not early enough.
- Criminal exploitation is a big issue, child sexual abuse surfacing later.
- Professionals rely too heavily on children to verbally disclose abuse.
- Medicals and interventions from likes of CSA hub is very low
- Children's experiences of the pathways are not fully understood
- Confused threshold application, referral pathway and intervention with children that have displayed harmful sexual behaviour (including sibling sexual abuse?)
- Strategy meeting evident on file - actions on ABE and medical aren't always recorded, difficult to see if they take place.
- Lack of conversations happening early enough between professionals and across agencies

### ***Multi-agency working***

- Health are not routinely invited to strategy meetings
- Specialist police / lost the expertise of CAIT. Sapphire don't work in partnership in same way as CAIT who are in MAS