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Identified Area Of Concern:	Actions to reduce risk:	Identified Level of risk and how will it be monitored:
Safeguarding:		
<p>What Guidance has been taken to ensure location of the home is safe for young people in the home?</p>	<p>Police Support: We have worked in close partnership with the Carlisle Police Force to establish a mutually supportive relationship. We have specifically appointed Community Police Officers who work with us and the young people to ensure we keep the home safe and have any issues and or concerns dealt with. We work in partnership with the PCSO's via phone, e-mail and through them visiting the home regularly. They will look to spend time building up positive relationships with the young people, and thus reduce their anxieties surrounding the police and building more positive relationships and or opinions of the police and the services they can offer. Our assigned PCSO is Gareth Jones (Officer Number 5358).</p> <p>Accessing the Cumbria Police Website, Facebook or Twitter accounts, (www.cumbria.police.uk) (www.facebook.com/cumbriapolice) (www.twitter.com/cumbriapolice).</p> <p>Here we can find links to monitor the different areas and the types of crimes/trends and or issues that are occurring locally at present and or specific to those areas, how many have occurred and exactly where. This website also lists all the initiatives that the community policing are working on, and provides working documents for this</p> <p>Homes Identified Actions: We have assessed the immediate location of the home, analysing areas of possible risk and concerns, be it local B & B's, bars, restaurants, hostels, children's homes, homeless shelters, offender shelters etc. and by beginning to build up positive relationships with local residents which have been put under strain at times in the past. Young people continue to complete on-going training courses regarding progression to independence and Internet safety to alert them to areas of concern to which</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 48px; font-weight: bold; color: #4F7942;">Low</p> <p>Through close working relationships with the local Police Force and more specifically the Community Police Officers to monitor local trends of crime and provisions and schemes to reduce these we will have an up to date insight into the most pressing safeguarding concerns affecting our young people. This will be supplemented with direct and hands on staff support for all young people making them aware of these risks and support and training them in the best ways to keep themselves safe.</p>

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	<p>they may previously have been oblivious or had limited knowledge.</p> <p>We have looked to access the facilities available in the immediate vicinity and how these resources can best be accessed by the young people. This has been included as part of their PATHWAYS planning with staff working with them to teach them how to access this information and support themselves independently. Assessing the community resources such as health, educational, health and leisure resources and thus assessing if the area will be beneficial to the young people.</p> <p>Current young people have a good knowledge of the Carlisle area, and staff from the home initially completed walks into town to mark out safe and direct routes as a starting point to them finding their way around and will continue to do so with any future residents of the home. This also serves to provide a starting point for any searches which may need to be conducted should any of the young people go missing at any point. There is a strong chance that through habit or a lack of other possible routes, young people may take the direction previously shown to them. These routes are identified on a map in each of the young people's files in the 'Keeping Myself Safe' Section. During the course of the placement other routes to activities such as the local gym and cinema will be added to demonstrate the young person's ever increasing knowledge and understanding of their local area.</p>	
<p>Does the location of the home, influence already vulnerable young person to be a victim of crime such as being targeted for sexual exploitation.</p>	<p>The location of Warwick House is in a mixed area which comprises of shops, office buildings, student accommodation, B and B's, Sporting clubs, and a large amount of low budget rented accommodation.</p> <p>Over the last 2 years there has been an increase in children homes being opened in our immediate location. We have also</p>	

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	<p>had concerns with the impact of the sheltered housing previous issues around our young people associating with young adults who have had similar back grounds did result increased levels of risk around drug and alcohol abuse . Due to the concerns presented by the location of the home our service has made major changes around the statement purpose to reduce the risk. The home has a clear placement assessment.</p> <p>Although this is not ideal, there is still a community feel to the area and the level of sexual offences are relatively low. There are many families living within the immediate area and the house itself backs onto a large secondary school and a walled garden area which adds to this community feel.</p> <p>One of our appointed PCSO's is also a CSE Champion for Carlisle, it is possible to arrange for them to attend the home and give a presentation should it be required on Child Sexual Exploitation to the staff and provide material on Child Sexual exploitation which can be given to the young people for reference, with some of these materials being modern and child-friendly. This is on top of training already supplied to both young people and care staff highlighting the risks of CSE and using the internet safely.</p> <p>It is also planned for the PCSO's to spend some time specifically with the young people during one of their visits to give them the opportunity to approach the subject of keeping themselves safe, and talking about and highlighting exploitation, grooming and the dangers of CSE and what they need to do to ask for help, support and who they can talk with about it.</p> <p>We also work closely with the young people to monitor their social media interaction, phones and all forms of media that they use so we can establish if they are managing this safely themselves and whether there may be any concerns over them being approached by strangers and or potential persons whom may try and exploit them. It also allows us to monitor if any of our</p>	<h1>Medium</h1> <p>Working with the community policing, as well as directly with the young people, monitoring their media devices but also talking with them and highlighting the dangers of exploitation, solvent or drug abuse and what they should do should it become an issue for them and in how to keep themselves safe.</p>
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	<p>young people are or have the potential to exploit other vulnerable people.</p> <p>There is also the potential to have an “information sharing agreement” with the police by where they can then share with the registered manager if there are any persons within the local area who would pose a risk to the young people, this agreement would need to be signed and agreed by an Inspector at Durrhill Police Station and in agreement with the registered manager. This would be under a strict confidentiality agreement and has not been confirmed at the present time however In having this agreement it would allow appropriate risk reduction measures to be implemented to adequately reduce the risk level posed by any potential offender, specifically an offender that could sexually exploit the young people.</p> <p>We have developed clear safety skills to help develop our young person’s knowledge as part of their development prior to have structured free time. We have also clear age and ability assessment prior to our young people access free time.</p>	
<p>Is there a likelihood of young people placed at the home becoming drawn into gang crime or anti-social behaviour in the local area?</p>	<p>Gang crime is not a specific and or significant risk in the immediate area of Warwick House, and or Warwick Road, however with a youth club located 200 yards away and access to local parks and many of the City’s amenities there is a degree of risk relating to possible anti-social behaviour. There are also two other residential care homes within 500 yards of the property. Initial contact has been made with these homes following young people from both homes beginning to form fledgling friendships through the local youth club. The risk level for this area is therefore identified as Medium.</p> <p>PCSO’s are active within the local area at selected times to disperse any “groups of youths” that are congregating in areas so as to reduce the opportunities for groups to form.</p> <p>In relation to possible Anti-Social behaviour, after liaising with the Community Police Officers appointed for our service, they report</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Medium</p> <p>This can be and is monitored through working with the community policing and also monitoring the Cumbria Policing Website.</p>

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	<p>that they are on occasion called to issues within the immediate location of Warwick House, however this is hardly surprising given our proximity to a school, the local football and Rugby clubs and a number of public houses. They have advised us to monitor the Cumbria Police Website which clearly details all the specific crimes for the specific area, and this will therefore detail what anti-social crimes are relevant to the immediate locality.</p>	
<p>The suitability of the local neighbourhood as a location for young people who have already been victims of abuse and neglect</p>	<p>Safe community environment, in a residential area, no hostels within the immediate vicinity. A number of B and B's but all respectable establishments. There are a number of student houses and low priced rental accommodation however. The road is the main thoroughfare directly into the City Centre which has both positive and negative connotations. It provides good transport routes for young people to be able to get around the local area by bus, however this also provides a quicker route to go missing from the placement should they be unsettled. The situation of the property provides the young people with a huge amount of opportunities locally to develop and further themselves but due to a number of risks which go hand in hand with this and living in a city centre location the level of staff support will be high whilst support and education work is carried out with the young people. This level of staff support should allow a slow and structured transition to a new and potentially risky environment with all possible safeguards put in place to ensure that the safety of the young person is paramount at all times. There is a public house within close walking distance and two other bars which are linked in to the local football and rugby clubs, however both are part of a city wide network of bars orchestrated by the police called Pub-watch. Primarily this ensures that repeat offenders of drunken, abusive or violent behaviour are not able to get in any establishment that serves alcohol, however it is an effective system for passing information between the establishments regarding underage young people attempting to enter a pub or buy drink. This system is also linked</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Medium</p> <p>City centre location and the proximity of the local amenities make it difficult to classify this area of concern as anything other than medium risk. Again continued correspondence with the local community police officers and use of the pub/shop watch system limit the risk to young people and provide a degree of support in ensuring their safety.</p>

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	in to the central CCTV office in the city centre and this system can be used to monitor the whereabouts of missing young people or for a call to be put out for information across the city wide network of pubs, bars and shops.	
Environment:		
What surrounding services could represent a hazard to young people in the home	Please find map attached which details all of these possible risks to young people within the immediate area. Pubs, Social clubs, B and B's, Hotels etc. Also other care homes and residential schools within the local vicinity to be monitored. Initial links already made with these organisations following contact being made by young people. No concerns over possible gang related issues etc, but mixed sex homes are bringing boys and girls together.	<h1>High</h1> <p>As with any City centre location, the amount of risk increases accordingly. However through positive and supportive relationships with staff, continued involvement with the local Police force and in educating the young people as to the specific risks that are prominent in the local area, the level of concern in this respect can be significantly reduced.</p>
What are the local environmental factors that would represent a hazard to young people in the home such as locations near level crossings or busy roads.	Busy road right outside the front door but appropriate road safety measures are in place with all young people having undertaken training in road safety. There is a river which runs through the local park less than half a mile away. There is also a bridge across the river but all young people have completed walks around the local area with staff and are aware of the dangers that this can represent.	<h1>Low</h1> <p>All potential risks have been identified through existing risk assessments and procedures with young people having already carried out the appropriate level of training required to reduce these risks.</p>
Accessibility of Local Services:		
Identified Local Services and distance and accessibility i.e. Health, Therapeutic, support services	Health & Support Services: Brampton Medical Practice	With our young people currently all accessing their education in the Brampton area, many of the services we use require them to attend

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	<p>4 Market Place Brampton CA8 1NL</p> <p>Good Teeth Dental Surgery 9 Market Place Brampton CA8 1NL</p> <p>Eric Hagans Opticians 3 Market Place Brampton CA8 1RW</p> <p>Sexual Health and Drug and Alcohol Support: INSPIRA Lowther Street Carlisle</p> <p>Mental Health Specialists: CAHMS Fairfield Centre 12 Portland Place Carlisle CA1 1PY</p> <p>Cumbria Youth Offending Service: Carlisle East Community Fire Station Eastern Way Carlisle CA1 1PB</p>	<p>appointments throughout the school day. As a result of this they have remained registered in the Brampton area which is 8 miles away from the home but approximately half a mile from the schools.</p>
<p>Access to quality Education</p>	<p>Kirby Moor School is the primary provider of education for North Lakes Children's Services, however one of our existing young people attend 'William Howard' Secondary school in Brampton which was rated as Outstanding at the most recent OFSTED inspection. System training offers a choice of work placement and training to young people at school leaver age with course in brick laying and car mechanics just two of the options available. There</p>	

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	<p>are a variety of other training opportunities locally which will be identified over the coming months with the location assessment then updated accordingly.</p> <p>Carlisle College provides a number of foundation courses which cater to many of the needs of our young people and act as access courses should they wish to continue on to further education after this.</p>	
<p>Positive features in the local community that would benefit to the young person placed at the home. I.e. Opportunities to participate in leisure, sporting or cultural activities or links that could benefit a young person ethnic and religious identity.</p>	<p>Gyms, Cinema, Shopping Centre, Library, Rugby and Football Clubs, Squash club, Local park for walking, football etc. There are numerous religious denominations which practice in the local area and offer support directly to people within the community should a young person wish to access this as a part of their religious beliefs.</p> <p>Local Rugby and Football clubs have all been vetted by the local Police to ensure that all staff and helpers are DBS checked.</p>	
<p>Views of current young people regarding whether they feel safe in the local area. (allviews need to be responded too)</p>	<p>As and when the young people are settled into the home there response will be sought and recorded.</p>	
<p>Actions to outline Measures taken to Manage risks.</p>	<p>Home response of actions to reduce risks.</p>	
<p>Convening multi-agency risk management meetings, involving local services, placing authorities and individual children to develop strategies for managing and minimising the risks faced by the children;</p>	<p>PCSO meetings.....CSE training, meeting the young people and getting to know them and their interests and finding ways to help them reduce the risks. NSPCC meetings on keeping safe and on reducing exploitation Lac/tac/pep meetings</p>	
<p>Educating the children in the home about risks, and supporting them in developing skills and strategies for managing those risks;</p>	<p>Keyworker sessions, daily engagement through talking , posters, notice board information, Young Person's meetings, risk assessments that they sign for and contracts and agreements that are put in place relating to free-time etc.</p>	
<p>Providing children with access to relevant support services to make them more aware of risks and to build their resilience</p>	<p>PCSO's, LGBT services, NSPCC, groups, clubs, advocacy, support, talking, PAC, CAHMS etc Distances to these services etc.....</p>	

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Ensuring that children have access to sources of confidential advice and advocacy so that they feel safe to disclose any risks they face;	Nyas, nspcc, sexual health, dash, cadas.....
Recording evidence of children's vulnerability to sexual exploitation that could be used by the police as the basis for taking enforcement action against predatory adults or by probation service providers in connection with the management of offenders.	Facebook and media checking, logging information, emailing PCSO's for advice, schedule 5 documentation, safeguarding and welfare documentation, information sheets, serious incident notifications.
Improving security for the home so that individuals or vehicles approaching the home can be recorded, acting as a deterrent to potential predators.	CCTV on all entrances to the site, including the yard, signing in, door alarms on all young person's rooms, nightly checks by designated waking watchers for each home.
Whenever a new placement is planned, it is good practice for managers of children's home to make the authority aware of any identified concerns by the location assessment and actions taken to reduce risk's.	Admission matching process and SOP

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