

SAFEGUARDING LEVELS OF NEED

Level 1	represents children with no identified additional needs. Their needs are met through universal services
Level 2	represents children with additional needs that can be met by targeted support by a single agency or practitioner with consent
Level 3	(Team Around the Family, TAF) represents children with additional needs that can be met by targeted support by a multi-agency support package with consent
Level 4	(Child in Need, CIN) represents children with significant needs that persist and have not been met by targeted support. The Local Authority has specific roles and responsibilities in respect of Children in Need (section 17, Children Act 1989) for instance to lead a statutory assessment of the child with consent
Level 5	(Safeguarding/Children Looked After) represents children with complex and enduring needs at the highest level of vulnerability that will be met by multi-agency support from specialist services led by Social Care. Supported by partners, the Local Authority will lead Child Protection Enquiries (section 47, Children Act 1989)