

Amir* became subject to a Child Protection (CP) plan and consideration was being given to the case going to court, with the matter also going into the public law outline (PLO) process for three months.

Concerns had been raised about Amir for some time, with a Young Carers support service becoming involved a year earlier, providing:

- parenting support,
- help with household routines, and
- help with decluttering the house, cleaning and decorating.

Amir's mother receives support from a charitable organisation for her anxiety and depression and the GP has arranged for her to have appropriate medication.

Amir and his mother also attend a family support group for hands on therapeutic sessions. The housing provider visits fortnightly and they undertook a 'deep clean' of the home.

The mother receives support from her parents, brother, and sister-in-law. A food bank has also provided the mother with food parcels.

Outcome

The PLO process ended after good progress was noted. A Review Child Protection Plan Conference (RCPC) was held, and the assessment evidenced significant improvements and progress against all of the aims and objectives of the CP Plan. The risks were clearly significantly reduced, and the mother had demonstrated a commitment to sustaining these changes and worked well to maintain the progress seen.

Amir is clearly presenting much more positively both at home and at school, and a Child in Need (CiN) plan was agreed at the most recent RCPC.

The planning process was truly multi-agency and the group worked very effectively together to support the family in achieving this very positive change.

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