

**APPENDIX 3: EXCERPT FROM  
GOOD PRACTICE BY LOCAL SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARDS**



1. In Southend, internal auditors from the various Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) partner bodies have applied their professional auditing skills to SCR processes. The internal auditors reviewed the entire Serious Case Review (SCR) process including the action plans. They used their professional expertise to examine the evidence from each agency to ensure that actions could be demonstrated to have been completed, rather than relying on the word of the agency representative. Evidence was scrutinised using professional auditing approaches. The process has led to recommendations being made in terms of future SCRs, especially in relation to ensuring that actions and targets can be measured and can be evidenced.

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