**In the Family Court Case No: [*Case number*]**

**sitting at [*Court name*]**

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|  | **Order****Children Act 1989****Disclosure of Information Between Family and Criminal Agencies and Jurisdictions: 2024 Protocol** |
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|  | The full name(s) of the children | Boy or Girl | Date(s) of Birth |
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|  | [*insert*] | [*insert*] | [*insert*] |
|  | [*insert*] | [insert] | [*insert*] |
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Before [*name of judge*] in private on [*date*] at a [*type of hearing*].

**The parties:** The applicant is [*local authority*] represented by [*name*] [of counsel]

The 1st respondent is [*name*], the [*relationship to child*], represented by [*name*] [of counsel]

The 2nd respondent is [*name*], the [*relationship to child*], represented by [*name*] [of counsel]

The 3rd [[and] / [to][*insert* **(number so that each child is identified as a separate respondent)**] respondent[s] [is] / [are] the child[ren] (by their children’s guardian [*name*]) represented by [*name*] [of counsel]

The intervenor is [*name*] [in person] [represented by [*name*] [of counsel]]

**Important Notices**

## Confidentiality warnings

**During the proceedings and after they have concluded no person shall publish information related to the proceedings including accounts of what has gone on in front of the judge, documents filed in the proceedings, transcripts or notes of evidence and submissions, and transcripts and notes of judgments (including extracts, quotations, or summaries of such documents). Any person who does so may be in contempt of court.**

**Until the conclusion of the proceedings no person shall publish to the public at large or any section of the public without the court’s permission any material which is intended or likely to identify the child[ren] as being involved in these proceedings or an address or school as being that of the child[ren]. Any person who does so may be guilty of an offence.**

**The exceptions to this are in Rules 12.73 or 12.75 or Practice Direction 12G of the Family Procedure Rules 2010.**

**RECITALS**

1. [*Name*] has been charged with the following offences: [*insert*]
2. [*Name*] has pleaded [guilty] / [not guilty] on [*date*] and the proceedings with case number [*case number*] are listed for [trial] / [plea and case management] on [*date*] at [*name of court*].
3. [An Annex 1 request for disclosure of material from the police into these care proceedings was sent to the police on [*date*], [which was responded to on [*date*]] / [which is due to be responded to by [*date*]].] / [A police disclosure order has been made in these care proceedings on [*date*], [which was complied with on [*date*]] / [which is due to be complied with by [*date*]].]
4. [*Insert details of assessments etc. in the criminal proceedings*]
5. It is recognised that the CPS will seek disclosure of the papers from these proceedings [and from the previous proceedings] regarding [*name(s) of child(ren)*], the child[ren] of [*name*] and [*name*] [deceased] as well as documents held by the local authority on its Social Services files.

## Request

1. Pursuant to Part C of the Protocolthis court considers that a linked directions hearing is appropriate. This court by this order requests that the Resident Judge should nominate a judge to be responsible for the management of the criminal case with a view to listing a linked directions hearing at the [*name of court*] Crown Court before the nominated judge and the Allocated Case Management Judge in this case namely [*name of judge*].

**IT IS ORDERED [BY CONSENT] THAT:**

1. These proceedings and the criminal proceedings are listed for a linked directions hearing. The criminal proceedings have been listed at the Crown Court to be heard in public at [*time*] on [*date*] before [His] / [Her] Honour Judge [*name*] sitting at the [*name of court*] Crown Court, and the linked directions hearing in these care proceedings shall be listed to be heard in private immediately thereafter in the Family Court sitting at the same location at [*time*] on [*date*] before [His] / [Her] Honour Judge [*name*] allowing [*hours*]. The parties and advocates shall attend 1 hour prior to the listed time of the criminal proceedings for pre-hearing discussions. The advocates appearing in the criminal proceedings are permitted to remain during the directions hearing in these care proceedings.
2. The local authority shall by 4.00pm on [*date not less than 5 working days prior to the linked directions hearing*] serve on the Crown Court and the CPS a case summary as set out in paragraph 3.5 of the Protocol.
3. In accordance with para 3.6 of the Protocol the local authority and the CPS shall agree a schedule of issues, setting out those matters which are likely to be considered at the linked directions hearing and the local authority shall circulate the schedule to the solicitors for the other parties in the criminal and care proceedings by no later than 4.00pm on [*date not less than 2 working days prior to the linked directions hearing*].
4. The court office shall ensure that the court files in the criminal proceedings and care proceedings are cross referenced and clearly marked as “linked” cases.
5. [A separate production order has been made to facilitate the participation of [*name*] in the linked directions hearing.]
6. The local authority shall serve a copy of this order on the CPS prosecutor with conduct of the criminal proceedings and on the defence solicitor(s) (who shall provide copies to instructed counsel).

**SCHEDULE**

## Family Advocacy Scheme (FAS)

1. The court records the following information for the purposes of the Family Advocacy Scheme (FAS):
	1. the advocates met for pre-hearing discussions between [*time*] and [*time*];
	2. the hearing started at [*time*] and ended at [*time*];
	3. the court allowed 1 hour thereafter for preparation and agreement of the order between [*time*] and [*time*];
	4. [*name of advocate*] is entitled to a bolt on because they are representing a client who is facing allegations that they have caused significant harm to a child which have been made or adopted by the local authority and are a live issue in proceedings;
	5. [*name of advocate*] is entitled to a bolt on because they are representing a person who has difficulty in giving instructions or understanding advice;
	6. all advocates are entitled to a bolt on because an independent expert witness was cross-examined and substantially challenged by a party at the hearing; and
	7. the advocates’ bundle page count is [*insert*].

## Other Recitals

1. [*Insert* **(only strictly necessary recitals such as the agreed basis of an order, a concession, an issue resolved, an agreement, mechanical information, such as how an expert will be paid, by whom and what issues the expert should look at)**]

Dated [*date*]