## Actions where there are concerns about a child

school/ college action Staff have concerns about a child and take immediate action. Staff follow their child protection policy and speak to designated safeguarding lead (1) Other agency action Referral (3) Referral not required, Designated school/ college takes safeguarding lead or made if relevant action, staff make a referral concerns possibly including escalate (3) to children's social pastoral support and care (and call the /or early help (2) and police if appropriate) monitors locally Within 1 working day, a social worker makes a decision about the type of response that is required **Section 17 (4)** Section 47 (4) Child in need No formal enquiries enquiries of immediate assessment appropriate: appropriate: protection: required: referrer referrer referrer referrer informed informed informed informed School/ college Identify child at Identify child in Appropriate considers risk of significant need (4) and emergency pastoral support harm (4): identify action taken and/or early help possible child by a social appropriate assessment (2) worker, police protection plan support accessing or NSPCC (5) universal services and other support

Staff should do everything they can to support social workers.

At all stages, staff should keep the child's circumstances under review (involving the designated safeguarding lead (or deputies, as required), and re-refer is appropriate, to ensure the child's circumstances improve - the child's best interests must always come first