

# **“Neglect Matters”**



**HERTFORDSHIRE SAFEGUARDING  
CHILDREN PARTNERSHIP**

**NEGLECT STRATEGY 2021-2024**

# **The Way We Work**

## **Working Together**

**Developing quality connections,  
conversations, and relationships with  
children, families, and professionals is  
how we work in Hertfordshire**



## **Valuing Families**

**Children live in families  
Families create communities  
Communities create protection from  
harm**

## **Behaviours**

**Listening to the voice of the child  
Working restoratively: doing things with  
families instead of to them, for them or  
doing nothing  
Using outcome-based accountability to  
measure our progress and challenge  
whether anyone is better off  
We support and prioritise children and  
young people to grow up in safety and  
achieve their potential**



## **Constant Focus**

**And a constant focus on the  
question...  
What is it like to be a child or young  
person growing up in Hertfordshire  
and how do we make it better?**

# Hertfordshire Neglect Strategy

## What We'll Do

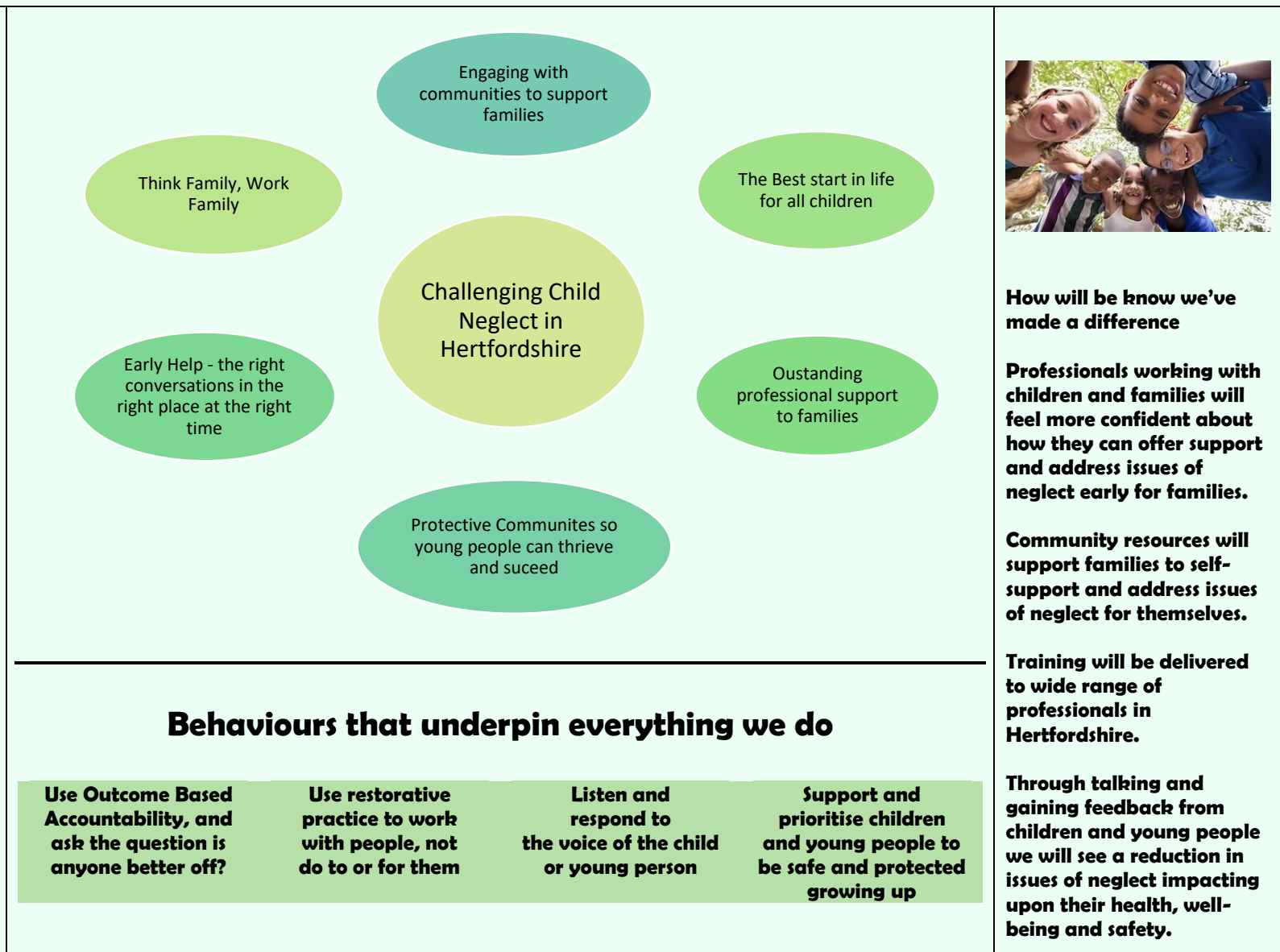
**Our vision is for Hertfordshire to be the best county in the UK for children and young people to grow up in. Through our vision and focus we invest in children and young people to help build an increasingly safe place for growth and development. We aim to improve outcomes for all our children whilst recognising the need for outcomes to improve faster for children and young people from vulnerable and deprived backgrounds.**

## Outcomes for children and young people

1. **Be Safe**
2. **Be Healthy**
3. **Be Resilient**
4. **Be Happy**
5. **Be Ambitious**
6. **Be Independent**

## Priorities

1. **Help children and parents live in safe, supportive and loving families**
2. **Ensure the most vulnerable are protected**
3. **Support families to give children the best start in life**
4. **Support young people to make good choices and minimise risk taking behaviour**



# Working together

**The Child Neglect Strategy's ambition is to make Hertfordshire the best place in the UK for children and young people to grow up in. To help us make this happen we have a Hertfordshire Safeguarding Children Partnership. This brings senior people together from the main organisations working with children and young people to make sure the work we do keeps children safe and has a positive impact on improving outcomes. We work with children's services, schools, governors, police, YC Herts, the youth offending service, children's centres, housing services, third sector, health, and local councillors, amongst others, to help make a difference to the lives of children and young people who live in Hertfordshire.**

## **To Find Out More:**

**Visit the [HSCP website](#) for more information about our work and about how we work together to keep children and young people safe.**

**See the [HSCP Neglect Hub](#) - HSCP Practice Guidance for a list of available family and professional resources**

**NSPCC Guidance for parents, carers and professionals [Neglect Matters](#)**

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