

DOG BITES FLOWCHART

Any dog believed to be prohibited or deemed to present a significant risk to children needs to be reported immediately to the Police or Social Care.



Injured Child

Following questions need to be considered & clearly documented

- Nature of the injury
- The circumstances of the attack or the incident
- Whether medical attention has been sought
- Whether previous incidents have occurred or whether the dog has shown previous aggression
- Action taken by responsible adults/parents to prevent further attacks

A clinical decision needs to be made & documented as to whether the injury warrants Police referral at time of presentation.

OUTCOMES

1 – Logged for information only. No significant or continuous risk noted. Dog destroyed or rehomed to a house where no children live.

2 - Guidance/leaflet provided to family

3 – Serious injury
Strategy discussion and joint section 47 investigation
Home visits