**In the Family Court Case no. [*Case number*]**



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

**The Children Act 1989**

**The Adoption and Children Act 2002**

**The child[ren]**

**[*Name of child*] [Girl] / [Boy] [*dob dd/mm/yy*]**

**[*Name of child*] [Girl] / [Boy] [*dob dd/mm/yy*]**

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER MADE BY [*NAME OF JUDGE*] AT AN ISSUES RESOLUTION HEARING ON [*DATE*]**

**CMO NO. [*NUMBER*] AT TIMETABLE WEEK NO. [*NUMBER*]**

**The parties and representation at this hearing**

1. The applicant is[*name of local authority*], represented by [*barrister/solicitor name*] [instructed by [*solicitor firm name*]] whose contact details are [*chambers/firm name*], [*phone number*], [*email*]

The first respondent is [*name*], the [*relationship to child*], [in person], represented by [*barrister/solicitor name*] [instructed by [*solicitor firm name*]] whose contact details are [*chambers/firm name*], [*phone number*], [*email*]

The second respondent is [*name*], the [*relationship to child*], [in person], represented by [*barrister/solicitor name*] [instructed by [*solicitor firm name*]] whose contact details are [*chambers/firm name*], [*phone number*], [*email*]

The third respondent[s] [is] / [are] the child[ren] (by their children’s guardian [*guardian name*], represented by [*barrister/solicitor name*] [instructed by [*solicitor firm name*]] whose contact details are [*chambers/firm name*], [*phone number*], [*email*]

The intervener is [*name*], the [*relationship to child*], [in person], represented by [*barrister/solicitor name*] [instructed by [*solicitor firm name*]] whose contact details are [*chambers/firm name*], [*phone number*], [*email*]

**Important notices**



**(note: the second and third warnings may appear at the start of the order, as shown here, or at the end)**

**Confidentiality warning**

**The names of the family and the child[ren] are not to be disclosed in public without the court’s permission.**

**Compliance warnings**

**All parties must immediately inform the allocated judge as soon as they become aware that any direction given by the court cannot be complied with and to seek in advance an extension of time to comply.**

**In the event that a party fails to comply with directions and/or fails to attend any hearing without good reason the court may make final orders including care orders and placement orders at that hearing.**

**THE COURT ORDERS**

**Jurisdiction**

1. The court declares it is satisfied it has jurisdiction in relation to the child[ren] based on habitual residence.

**Final evidence**

1. The parent[s] must by 4.00pm on [*date*] send their final statements of evidence to the court and to the other parties.
2. The children’s guardian must by 4.00pm on [*date*] send a final case analysis to the court and to the other parties.

**Final hearing**

1. There will be a final hearing starting at [*time*] on [*date*] allowing [*time estimate*]. If the parent[s] fail to attend the hearing without good reason the court may make final orders in their absence including care [and placement] orders.
2. The following directions are given in relation to the [timing] / [attendance] of witnesses: [*insert*].
3. The local authority must by 11.00am on [*date*] send to the court and to the parties:
   1. their written opening of the case cross-referenced to the evidence in the bundle;
   2. the final hearing template (to include judicial reading and judgment time);
   3. an updated case summary.

**Attendance at hearings**

1. The parents must attend all hearings and their travel expenses to and from court shall be a reasonable and necessary disbursement on their public funding certificates.

**Documents/Bundles**

1. No document other than a document specified in an order or filed in accordance with the Rules of any Practice Direction shall be filed without the court’s permission.
2. Court bundles must be prepared and lodged at court in accordance with Practice Direction 27A.
3. Permission is [not] given for the court bundle to exceed 350 pages [limited to [*number*] pages].
4. The local authority must provide a witness bundle for any hearing at which evidence is to be called.

**Variation of orders**

1. Any application to vary this or any other order is to be made to the allocated judge on notice to all parties.
2. An application to vary this or any other order may be made by email to the allocated judge provided the party seeking variation seeks the prior agreement of the other parties and when seeking the variation must submit a draft order and confirm whether:
   1. the proposed variation is agreed; and, if so
   2. to what extent the proposed variation would affect the timetable for the proceedings.

Dated [*date*]

**SCHEDULE**

**Child[ren]’s current arrangements**

1. The child[ren] [is] / [are] living with [*name(s)*] and [is] / [are] having contact with the parent[s] [*name(s)*]

**Allocation**

1. The proceedings are allocated to [*name of judge*].

**Separate orders made**

1. Direction to DWP for disclosure of party’s address.
2. Police disclosure in form Annex H.
3. Linked care and criminal proceedings Annex I.
4. Declaration of parentage.
5. Production order.

**Timetable for the proceedings**

1. 26 weeks from the date of issue of these proceedings will expire on [*date*].
2. The timetable cannot be completed within 26 weeks, but is expected to be completed by [*date*], because:
   1. it is necessary to extend the timetable in order to resolve the case justly because [*insert reasons*];
   2. the nature of the proceedings has changed in that [*insert*];
   3. progress of the case has been delayed by litigation failure by one or more of the parties, namely [*name*].
   4. the impact on the welfare of the child[ren] of such delay is [*insert*];
   5. [*other*].

**Timetable for evidence**

1. [*Dates evidence is/was due to be filed with date of actual filing where applicable*].

**Timetable for the child[ren]**

1. The key dates for the child[ren] are as follows:
   1. [*Date child was placed/accommodated*]
   2. [*Date(s) of moves of foster placement*]
   3. [Moves of school] / [Start of new [school term] / [academic year]: [*dates*]
   4. [Medical] /[Psychological] treatment: [*dates*]
   5. LAC reviews: [*dates*

**Threshold**

1. The threshold criteria are [agreed] / [in dispute] / [in dispute subject to concessions made].

**The key issues in the case are**:

* 1. [*Insert*]

**The parties’ positions are**:

* 1. [*Insert*]

**Other relevant matters:**

1. [*Insert*]