



**Safe Sleep Serious Case Reviews – Billy and Reece  
Co sleeping Thematic Overview Serious Case Review Report**

Keith Makin, Independent Chair of the Southampton Local Safeguarding Children Board, said:

“Every child’s death is a tragedy. On behalf of the Southampton Local Safeguarding Children Board, along with colleagues from the council, police and health services in the City, I would like to send our deepest condolences to the families of the children who have tragically died.

“This review provides key learning around safe sleep advice, which is highlighted in the learning and improvement plan that will be published. The Overview Report identifies learning which agencies can use for continuous improvement, some of which has already been implemented. Southampton Local Safeguarding Children Board is committed to working alongside partners in order to ensure that the recommendations are adopted by agencies and understood by practitioners.”

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The overview SCR reports for Billy, Reece and Co sleeping as well as learning briefings are available online at [www.southamptonlscb.co.uk](http://www.southamptonlscb.co.uk)

Keith Makin was appointed as the Independent Chair of the Southampton Local Safeguarding Children Board in October 2013. He is a qualified social worker and has held senior positions in social care services for over 30 years. He has worked as a Director of Social Services and as Chief Executive of an independent childcare organisation.