**In the Family Court Case No: [*Case number*]**



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

**The Children Act 1989**

**The child[ren]**

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

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

**DIRECTIONS ON ISSUE AND ALLOCATION MADE BY [*NAME OF JUDGE*] SITTING IN PRIVATE [WITH LEGAL ADVISER [*NAME*] ON [*DATE*]**

**The parties**

1. The applicant is[*name*], the [*relationship to child*]

The [first] respondent is [*name*], the [*relationship to child*]

[The second respondent is[*name*], the [*relationship to child*]]

**Allocation**

1. The application is transferred to the Family Court at [*place*]. The reason for transfer is [*insert*].
2. The application is [allocated to the [legal adviser and lay justices] / [district judge] / [circuit judge]] / [reserved to [*name of judge*]].

**Hearings**

1. A[n] [first hearing dispute resolution appointment (FHDRA)] / [directions hearing] / urgent hearing] will take place at [*time*] on [*date*] allowing [*hours*].
2. The hearing is urgent because [*insert*]. At that hearing the court will consider [*insert*]. Time for service of the application is shortened to [*days*] which means that the application and notice of hearing must be served by [*date*].
3. The application for an urgent hearing is refused because [*insert*].
4. The parties must attend court by [*time*] to give an opportunity for discussions before the hearing.

**Safeguarding and other information**

1. Cafcass must send a safeguarding letter to the court by no later than [*date*].
2. Cafcass must undertake the following additional safeguarding checks: [*insert*].
3. [*Name of local authority*] Council must by 4.00pm on [*date*] send to the court a report dealing with its involvement with the family, any concerns the local authority has regarding any parent or any other relevant adult, any current [work] / [child] protection plans being undertaken, together with any recommendations regarding arrangements for the child[ren].

The child[ren]’s social worker must attend the next hearing.

This order shall be served on the local authority by the court.

**Attendance at MIAM**

1. The court does not consider that a MIAM exemption has been validly claimed. Accordingly, [*name*] must attend a mediation information and assessment meeting before the next hearing and must at the hearing provide evidence of attendance.

**Domestic abuse issues**

1. [*Name*] has raised issues of domestic abuse which may be relevant to the court’s determination. The following directions therefore apply:
   1. The issue of domestic abuse will be considered at the FHDRA.
   2. In the meantime the parties are not expected to engage in mediation or other forms of dispute resolution.
   3. **(where a party or cafcass has requested special measures or safety arrangements)**The court will make enquiries of the [applicant] / [respondent] to find out how they wish to participate in the hearing and to make arrangements to ensure their safety when attending the hearing.

**Participation directions**

1. The following directions apply to the next hearing:
2. [*Name*] shall attend the hearing by way of live link. The following arrangements shall be made: [*insert*].
3. The proceedings are transferred to the Family Court sitting at [*place*] for the next hearing [and all future hearings].
4. The next hearing [and all future hearings] shall be held at the Family Court sitting at [*place*].
5. The court office shall ensure that separate [entrance and] waiting arrangements are made available for [*name*].
6. The court office shall liaise with [*name*] to find out the party’s views as to any further arrangements necessary to enable [him] / [her] to participate in the hearing.
7. Once the party’s views are known the court will consider what further directions should be made.
8. [*Insert other participation directions*].
9. The reasons for giving participation directions are as follows: [*insert*].

**Interpreters**

1. The court shall arrange an interpreter for [*name*] for all future hearings in the following languages (and dialect if necessary): [*insert*].

**Applications for permission for experts**

1. Any party intending at the FHDRA to apply for permission to instruct an expert must first comply fully with the requirements of Practice Direction 25C of the Family Procedure Rules.

**Production order**

1. The Governor of any institution in which [*name*] is detained is asked to produce [him] / [her] to the court [by video link] for the next hearing so as to arrive at court by [*time and date*].

**Other directions**

1. The following additional directions apply:
2. The applicant must by 4.00pm on [*date*] provide a current address for the respondent or give reasons why the respondent’s address is not known;
3. [*Insert*].

Dated [*date*]