

A warm Hello from the project team! 🙌☀️

With the arrival of spring and the clocks moving forward, we are thrilled to share the latest developments in our mission to transform the front door of children's services.

Mission Control: Latest Update! 🤖🚀

What has been happening in The Front Door Project?

➤ The DASU Test

We have finished testing whether pre-triaging at the Domestic Abuse Support Unit can reduce incoming referrals to the MASH and the results indicate this has been proven. We understand the skill set needed to do this valuable work and we will be taking the case to senior managers to further explore this approach. A big shout out and **Thank You** to all colleagues involved in testing and our Police colleagues for their support and engagement. Your efforts exemplify the true spirit of collaboration within our multi-agency team.

➤ MASH Training Programme Roll-out

Training workshop sessions are currently underway! We are enhancing our training package to better support MASH colleagues. This initiative includes Defensible Decision-Making Workshops and Strengths-Based Approach sessions, ensuring our team continues to build on their existing skills and knowledge. In addition, Family Network training will start soon, focusing on supporting referrers to explore family networks with families and having valuable coaching conversations.

➤ Alternatively Qualified Practitioner

We have finished testing an alternatively qualified practitioner (AQP) role triaging referrals that do not require an urgent response, with the support and supervision from a social work-qualified Advanced Practitioner. Moving forward, we will explore how this role can be integrated into the MASH framework to enhance its effectiveness in providing families with the right support at the right time.

➤ Families First Partnership Programme (FFPP)

The Department for Education have now published the FFPP guide ([The families first partnership programme guide](#)). It's very early in the programme's establishment but it's incredibly positive to see that the work we've done so far towards our needs-led approach aligns fully with the programme's focus on providing the right help at the right time for families, with a focus on prevention and relationship-based work. More on this to follow.

➤ Diamond Timeline for Project

Our Diamond colleagues and Project Team have met to create a timeline of the Front Door Project milestones and are working hard to map out our next steps for the new financial year.

➤ Next Show and Tell

We know it's been a while since our last Show-and-tell sessions. We're currently reviewing our communication strategies and hope to send out an invite for May. Stay tuned!

All Ears, Always! 🎧

If you have any questions, comments, or ideas regarding the front door project, please don't hesitate to reach out to us via our group mailbox: childrens.frontdoorproject@nottscc.gov.uk We're always here to listen!

Spread the Word! 🗣️

Do you know someone who would love to stay updated with our progress? Share the news and let us know – we'd be thrilled to add them to our mailing list! Remember, you can always catch up on our previous Weeknotes and updates on our website: [Needs-led Front Door Project \(nottinghamshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/Needs-led-Front-Door-Project)

We hope you have an Eggs-cellent Easter break 🐣 🐰

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