

Salford City Council

Emergency Request to approve a distant or an out of borough placement for a looked after child

There will be some circumstances where a distant or out of authority placement has been assessed to best meet a child's needs and to ensure they are effectively safeguarded. Under the Children's Homes and Looked after Children (Miscellaneous Amendments) (England) Regulations 2013, a **distant placement** is outside the area of the responsible authority and an **out of borough placement (OOB)** is within an adjoining local authority. This request should be completed for all proposed distant and out of borough placements with the exception of a placement with the parent, a connected person or a foster carer approved by Salford.

The request for an OOB placement needs to be approved by the **Assistant Director**.

The request for a distant placement needs to be approved by the **Strategic Director for Children and Adult Services**.

Background information should be completed by the child's social worker and request authorised by the relevant Head of Service.

Child's name:	D.O.B:
Care First Number:	Allocated Social Worker:
Legal status:	Details of current placement:
Team Manager:	Team and contact details:
Service Manager:	Child's Independent Reviewing Officer:
Details of proposed placement (e.g. foster home, children's home, specialist unit etc):	Date of notification / consultation with the area authority for the child's proposed placement:

Reasons for proposal for child being placed in a in a distant or OOB placement, including how the proposed placement is the most appropriate placement available consistent with the child's care plan:

Child's wishes and feelings in relation to the child's proposed placement and date when these were obtained:

Recommendation of Head of Service

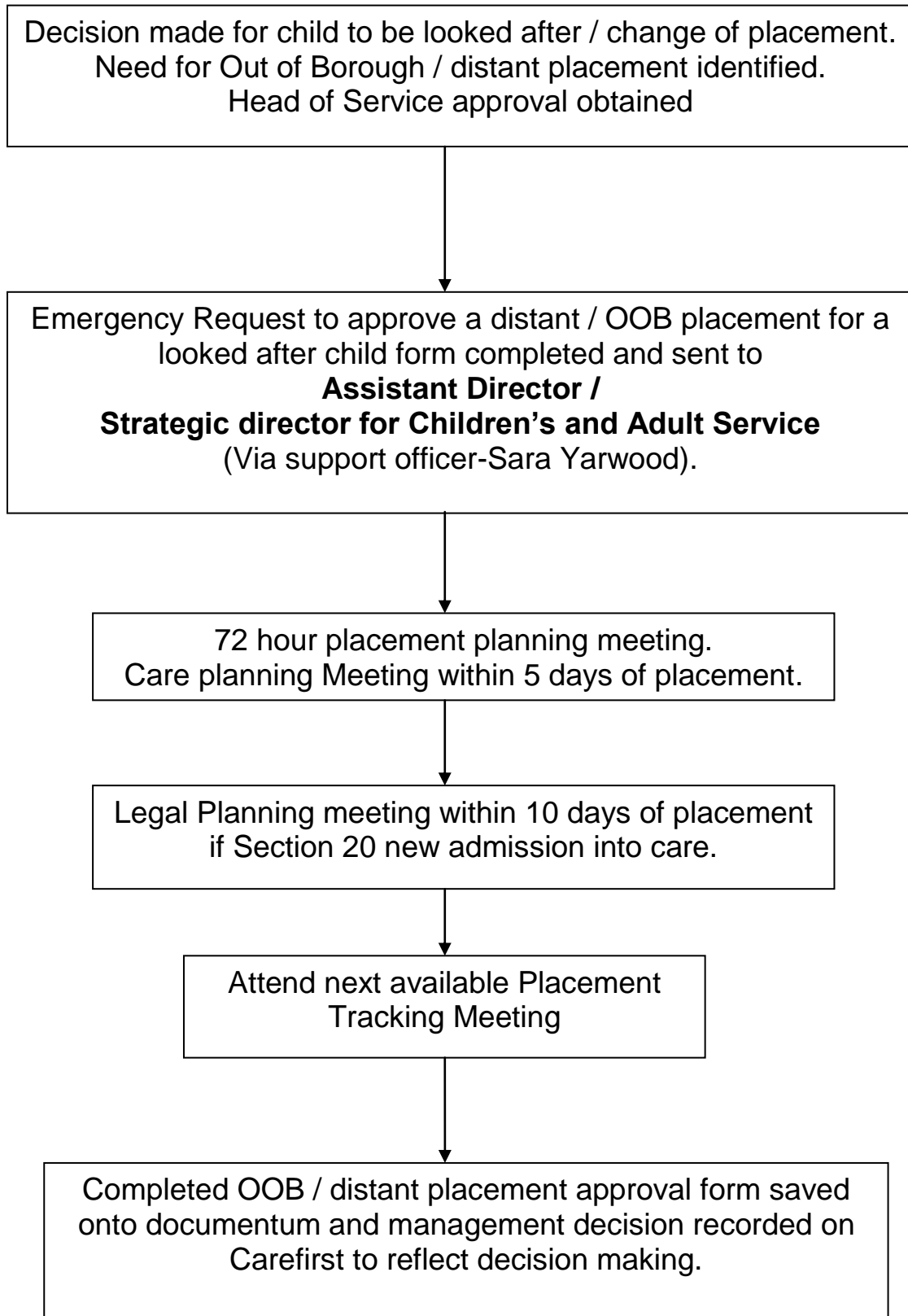
Decision and any comments by the Assistant Director (OOB Placement) or Strategic Director for Children and Adult Services (distant placements)

Signed:

Date:

**Process for approving emergency placements
out of the authority's area**

Placement Request form completed



Consultation the Family Placement Team

