

Case No. LS25P20195

Reference

MCHALE AND CO SOLICITORS
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Altrincham
Cheshire
WA14 1QP

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In the Family Court at LEEDS



Case Number: LS25P20195

Order Children Act 1989

The full name(s) of the child	Boy or Girl	Date(s) of Birth
Natasha Anastazja Junker	Girl	17th June 2022

The Parties

The applicant is Marius Jan Junker who is the father to the child and represented by Lindsey Britland of McHale and Co Solicitors.

The first respondent is Urszula Cholewinska who is the mother to the child.

This is an initial gatekeeping order made by Justices' Legal Adviser Mr Lynas on 4th August 2025

Confidentiality warning

The names of the children and the parties are not to be publicly disclosed without the Court's permission.

Right to apply

As this order has been made without a hearing any party may ask the Court to reconsider this order. You must do that within seven days of receiving this order by writing to the court and asking the Court to reconsider. You must tell the person who applied for the order that you are asking the Court to reconsider it.

Resolution

The Court is a place of last resort for solving family disputes. The Court will only ever make orders if it really needs to in the best interests of the child or children. It is often the case that disputes would be better resolved through mediation. The Court can put proceedings 'on hold' to allow you to attend mediation or other forms of non-court resolution and you are strongly encouraged to attempt this as soon as possible. You must understand that before the start of proceedings, except in very limited circumstances, you are required to attend a Mediation Information and Assessment Meeting (a MIAM) [or other forms of non-court resolution]. You may be eligible for a £500 voucher towards the costs of mediation under the Family Mediation Voucher Scheme. The following link will take you to information about mediation and how to apply for a voucher to cover all or part of your mediation costs.

<https://intranet.justice.gov.uk/documents/2022/10/mediation-voucher-notice-to-parties.docx/>

Recitals

- A. This case is being dealt with in accordance with the Pathfinder Private Law Reforms and Practice Direction 36Z Family Procedure Rules 2010.**
- B. This is an application for a Child Arrangements (Live With) and/or Prohibited Steps Order(s) and has been considered on the papers.**
- C. The application is not accompanied by a form C1A and, based on the information currently available to the court, domestic abuse is not raised as an issue.**
- D. The Court has considered whether there are any safeguarding concerns raised in the application.**
- E. The Court has considered whether it needs further information to enable it to make any decisions in this matter and whether a Child Impact Report is required.**

The Court makes the following orders:

Allocation

1. Allocation will be considered in these proceedings at the Safeguarding Gatekeeping Appointment upon receipt of the Child Impact Report.

Interpreter

2. For all future hearings, the Court shall arrange an interpreter for the applicant in the following language/dialect: POLISH. NOTE – The Court shall ONLY direct an interpreter where (i) the litigant is not represented or (ii) if the litigant is represented, when evidence is to be given.

Directions to Cafcass / the Local Authority to file a Child Impact Report

3. Cafcass are requested to undertake information gathering and assessment and to send to the court and to the parties a Child Impact Report by 30th September 2025 which shall include:

- a. Any safeguarding information that can be obtained in time for the hearing.
- b. Information obtained from each party and the child/ren in respect of their circumstances, background, wishes and other relevant information.
- c. Any urgent recommendation that can be made based on available information.
- d. Any recommendations that can be made based on available information.
- e. The status of the children and, if the child is subject to a child protection or child in need plan, the content of the plan.
- f. Insert any other information requested

4. If Cafcass identify, and the local authority agree, that information-gathering and assessment should be undertaken by the local authority, the directions given above in respect of the preparation of the Child Impact Report shall apply to that local authority.

5. Where the local authority is to complete the Child Impact Report Cafcass shall by no later than 4pm on date in 7 days send to the authority safeguarding information to include:

- g. Police checks;
 - h. Details of any involvement by CAFCASS in previous proceedings;
 - i. Details of any linked cases.
6. Any request for an extension of time to produce the Child Impact Report, whether in full or limited format, will be considered on its merits.
7. The Child Impact Report filed will be considered at a safeguarding gatekeeping appointment by a District Judge and a Justices' Legal Adviser who shall issue an order setting out how the case will progress **or make a final order based upon the information in the papers**. It shall not be necessary for any party to attend that appointment or to send any documents to the court in advance of it unless a separate order has been made ordering you to do so. At this stage, consideration shall be given to whether parties are directed to attend "Planning Together for Children".
8. If the Child Impact Report has not been sent to the parties in advance of the second gatekeeping appointment, the court will consider at that appointment whether it should be disclosed to them.

Safeguarding Gatekeeping Appointment on the Papers Only

- 9. There shall be a safeguarding gatekeeping appointment listed on 8th October 2025
- 10. It shall be undertaken by a District Judge and / or a Justices' Legal Adviser upon consideration of the papers only **with no one in attendance**.
- 11. A further order shall be issued following that hearing in which either further directions shall be given, or a final order made.

Dated 4th August 2025

Contacting the court

Unless the parties are notified to the contrary, the court office may be contacted at wypathfinder@justice.gov.uk or by telephone to the contact centre on 0300 123 5577.

Ordered by Assistant Justices' Clerk J Lynas

on 4th August 2025