

## **Safeguarding Policy and Procedures**

### **Appendix: What can we do if a DBS check result hasn't come back but we have a shortage of host families?**

#### **Solution routes to mitigate the risk:**

Run a List 99 check to ensure that the applicants are not included on the children's barring register.

Use only families that are well known to us all year round.

Use only families that have already been DBS checked but the certificate is now out of date.

Don't place students who are really young in these families - try to place our oldest juniors in these families.

Ensure that a declaration of suitability has been signed by all members of the host family who are older than 18.

Do not place only one junior student in the family.

If possible take up references either written or verbal and record this in the host family file.