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# Adoption Inspection 2008

## December 8 – 11

### **Key Components**

- Preparation of written materials
- Questionnaire circulation
- Timetable Organisation
- Inspection week



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## Preparation of Written Materials

1. Self assessment
2. Evidential documents
3. Data sets
4. Children's files
5. Adopters files
6. Staff files
7. Panel Members files
8. Disaster Recovery Plan



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## Interviews

1. Adoption staff
2. Adoption Panel , Chair and ADM
3. Children's social workers
4. Key Professionals
5. Adopters
6. Birth Families



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## Key Areas Identified for scrutiny

- Life story work **Files**
- Attempts to involve birth families prior to order and post order, support, letter box **Files**
- Up to date CRB's in all staff, panel members and adopters files **Files**
- Counselling pathways
- Support to adopters including multi-agency



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- Key area requiring addressing is the closure of adoption files on children now with Adoption Order demonstrating later life letter and contact arrangements
- Any of these files can be called upon to satisfy aspects of the adoption process. during the inspection.





## Comments from last inspection 2004/5

- ❖ *Standards met in all areas*

### Summary of Last Inspection

- ❖ *A mature respected service doing most things well with the capacity to do some things really well.*

### Commended Areas

- ❖ *Quality of Information packs to Adoption Panel members*
- ❖ *Welcome gift to the adoption service once Adoption Order is made*
- ❖ *Information pack to potential Adopters*

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