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CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & FAMILIES

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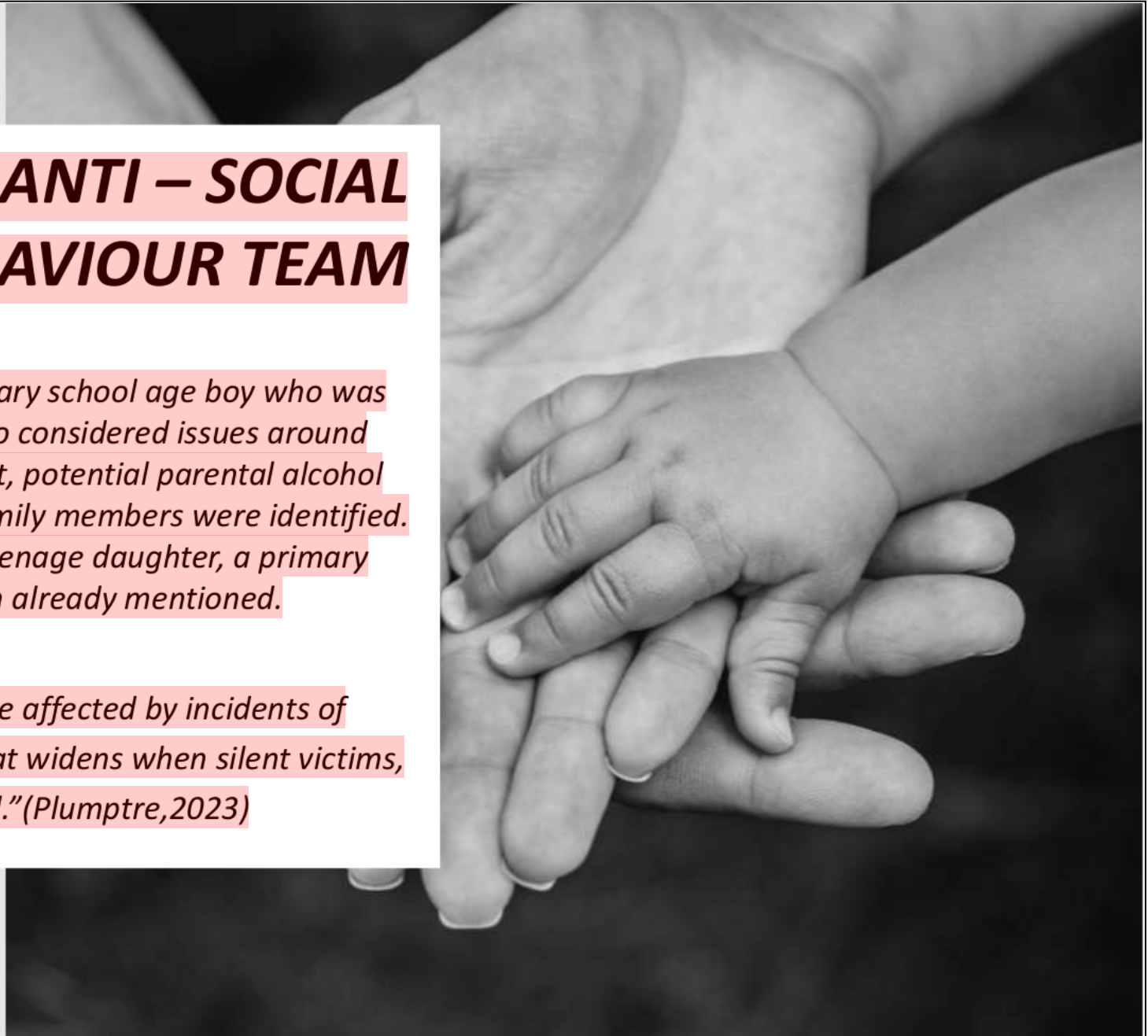
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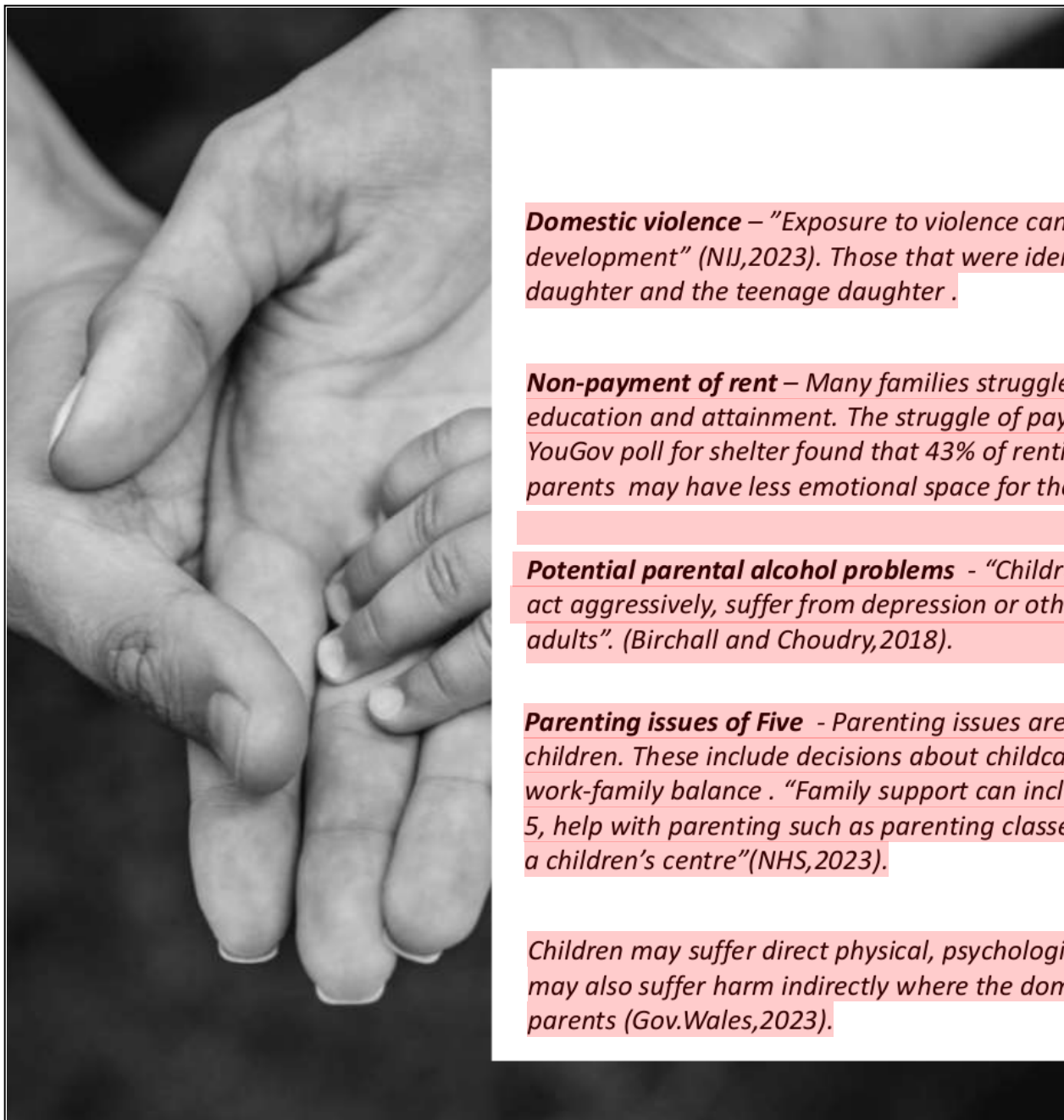
ANTI – SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR TEAM

Family A

The anti-social behaviour team. A primary school age boy who was viewed to be behaving disruptively. Also considered issues around domestic violence, non-payment of rent, potential parental alcohol problems and parenting issues five. Family members were identified. These were the mother and father, a teenage daughter, a primary school age daughter and the young son already mentioned.

“An estimated 10 million people are affected by incidents of domestic abuse annually, a number that widens when silent victims, like children, are considered.”(Plumptre,2023)





WHAT ARE THE IMPACTS?

Domestic violence – “Exposure to violence can harm a child's emotional, psychological and even physical development” (NIJ,2023). Those that were identified is the young primary school age son, primary school age daughter and the teenage daughter .

Non-payment of rent – Many families struggle to find affordable housing , moving houses can disrupt a child's education and attainment. The struggle of payment of rent can lead to more stress and anxiety for parents. “A YouGov poll for shelter found that 43% of renting families were worried about losing their home. Stressed out parents may have less emotional space for their children”. (Darlington,2023).

Potential parental alcohol problems - “Children exposed to violence are more likely to have difficulty in school, act aggressively, suffer from depression or other mental health problems and engage in criminal behaviour as adults”. (Birchall and Choudry,2018).

Parenting issues of Five - Parenting issues are any difficulties or concerns that parents may face in raising their children. These include decisions about childcare, schooling, discipline, household chores, daily routines, finances, work-family balance . “Family support can include help looking after your child , such as; day care for children under 5, help with parenting such as parenting classes, courses or family support workers, practical home help or access to a children's centre”(NHS,2023).

Children may suffer direct physical, psychological and / or emotional harm from living with domestic abuse and may also suffer harm indirectly where the domestic abuse impairs the parenting capacity of either or both of their parents (Gov.Wales,2023).

WHAT ARE THE IMPLICATIONS?

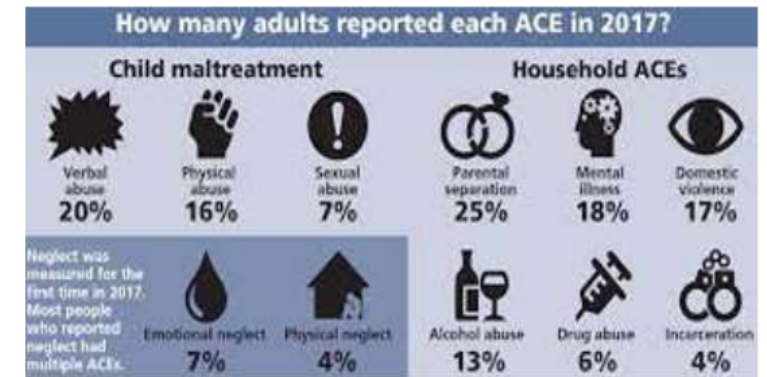
The three identified children, including the young boy may experience some devastating effects of domestic violence such as post-traumatic stress disorder which can cause dangerous changes in the developing brains of children. According to a medical report these “changes may cause nightmares, changes in sleep patterns, anger, irritability, difficulty concentrating, and children may sometimes have the ability to re-enact aspects of the traumatising abuse observed”(Plumptre,2023).

Physical challenges such as stomach pains and headaches would affect the children’s learning and development as school-I aged children and teens can tend to act out in reaction showing aggressive behaviour and physical abuse.

The risks of harm to children caused by domestic violence have now been recognised. An amendment to the definition of harm in the Children Act 1989 now includes ‘impairment suffered from seeing or hearing the ill treatment of another’ (Adoption and Children Act, 2002). Research with children suggests it has implications for education, health, welfare, civil and criminal justice. This will mean that when a referral or initial assessment is made in relation to a child abuse concern, questions about domestic violence are asked. Recording and monitoring systems also need to be in place at every stage of intervention so that the extent of domestic violence can be assessed for planning and strategic purposes.

Evaluation:

- The non-payment of rent would lead to debt; eviction and you may be considered homeless
- Children social services will need to be involved for the need of extra support



HOW WILL IT AFFECT THE CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT?

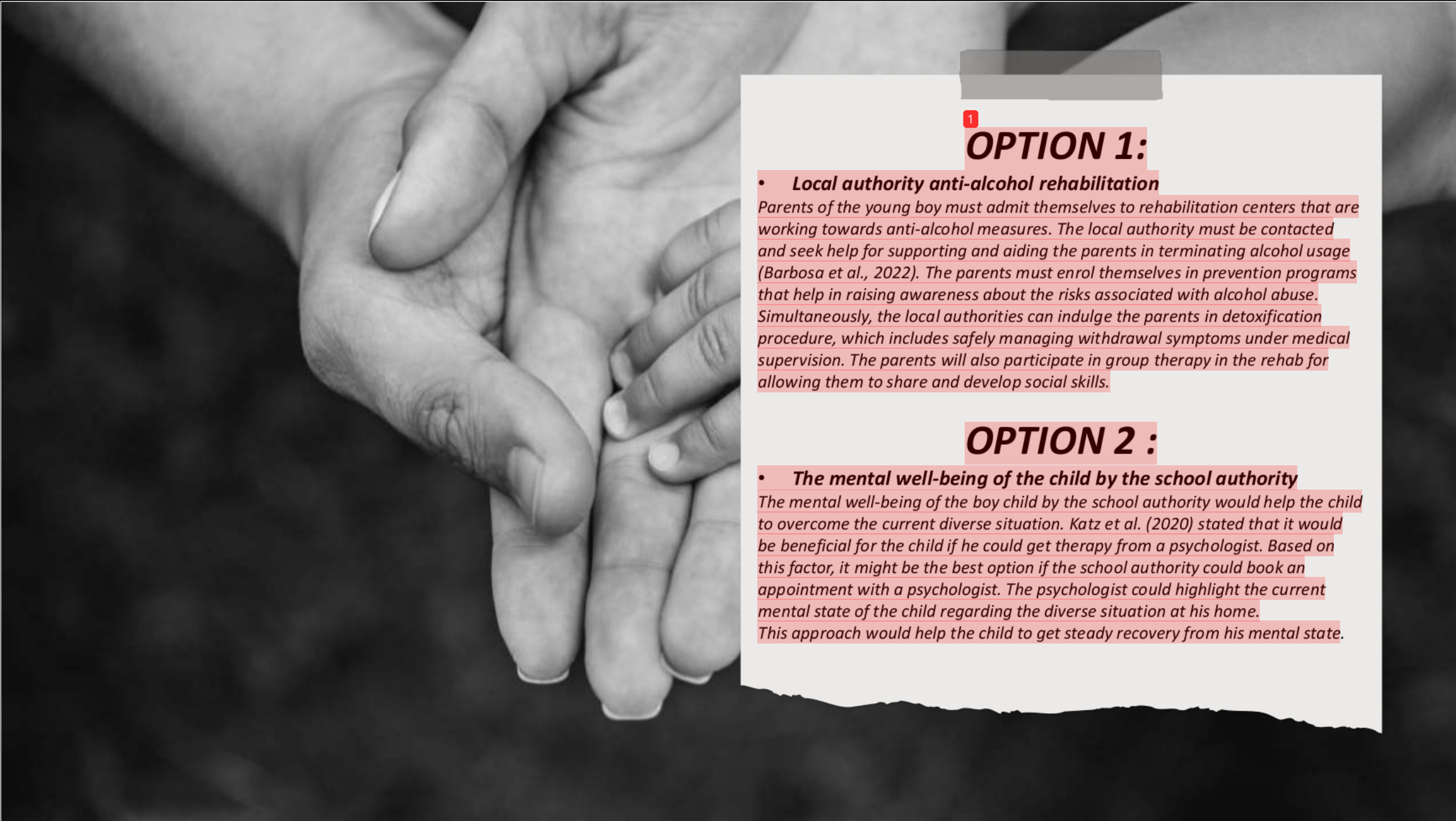
The environments they are raised in, affects the children development and mental health by various factors, including the relationships they build and the experience that have in that environment. Child development refers to:

- **Physical**
- **Emotional**
- **Social**
- **Mentally**
- **Trauma**
- **Abuse**
- **Neglect**

"Children are individuals and may respond to witnessing abuse in different ways". (Royal College of Psychiatrist ,2004).

- *They may become anxious or depressed .*
- *They may have difficulty sleeping.*
- *They have nightmares or flashbacks.*
- *They can be easily startled*
- *They may have temper tantrums and problems with school.*
- *They may have a lower sense of self-worth*





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OPTION 1:

- **Local authority anti-alcohol rehabilitation**

Parents of the young boy must admit themselves to rehabilitation centers that are working towards anti-alcohol measures. The local authority must be contacted and seek help for supporting and aiding the parents in terminating alcohol usage (Barbosa et al., 2022). The parents must enrol themselves in prevention programs that help in raising awareness about the risks associated with alcohol abuse. Simultaneously, the local authorities can indulge the parents in detoxification procedure, which includes safely managing withdrawal symptoms under medical supervision. The parents will also participate in group therapy in the rehab for allowing them to share and develop social skills.

OPTION 2 :

- **The mental well-being of the child by the school authority**

The mental well-being of the boy child by the school authority would help the child to overcome the current diverse situation. Katz et al. (2020) stated that it would be beneficial for the child if he could get therapy from a psychologist. Based on this factor, it might be the best option if the school authority could book an appointment with a psychologist. The psychologist could highlight the current mental state of the child regarding the diverse situation at his home. This approach would help the child to get steady recovery from his mental state.

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What teams/services should be involved in this case?

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Partnership with:

- The Child
- Anti-social behaviour team
- General Practitioner
- UNCRC
- Local Authority
 - Children Social Services
 - School/Education Department
 - Counselling/Mentoring
 - Family therapy)

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Partnership with:

- Spouse/Partner
- Police
- Local Authority
 - Adult Social Services
 - Housing
 - Counselling
- Woman's Aid/Domestic Abuse Charities or Organisations

NON-PAYMENT OF RENT

Partnership with:

- Local Authority
- Landlord



*"A home that is constantly filled with stressful incidents, domestic violence, unstable conditions or generally lacking a feeling of calm and safety."
(Parenting first cry.com, 2020)*

(Bham City Council, 2016)



PARENTAL ALCOHOL PROBLEM

Partnership with:

- Partner/Spouse
- General Practitioner
- Alcohol support groups
- Rehab Centre
- Local Authority
 - Social Worker
 - Alcohol Counsellor

PARENTING ISSUES

Partnership with:

- Partner/Spouse
- Local Authority
 - School/Education Department
 - Social Worker
 - Counselling
- General Practitioner
- NSPCC – help for parents
- NHS – Advice for parents

WHAT ACTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD YOU SUGGEST FOR THE ADULTS IN THE FAMILY? AND WHY?

- Get help for their young son
- Improve home environment
- Seek Counselling
- Live separately due to Domestic Violence
- Sort their rent arrears out
- Go to Rehab for alcohol problem
- Get help with parenting issues
- Keep problems away from the children

**WHAT ACTIONS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD YOU
SUGGEST FOR THE CHILDREN? AND WHY?**

- See General Practitioner
- Get counselling
- Improve home environment
- Give the children TLC
- Need a loving home and family
- Attend Youth Centre
- Look into new sports/hobbies

RECOMMENDATION :

Draw up a plan in partnership with the relevant teams/ services and work together by setting goals to get to the bottom of the family's problems.

Early intervention would have been better and most likely, would have prevented the numerous problems within this unique family.

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