The FGB Chair, CEO, and Group Director of Governance have been given delegated authority by FGB to review confidential minutes on an annual basis. The following minute was released for publication following the review panel meeting held on 7 September 2026.

FGB Meeting of 3 October 2025 Confidential Part A Number 9 – Safeguarding Update

	ITEM	COMMENTS	ACTION
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