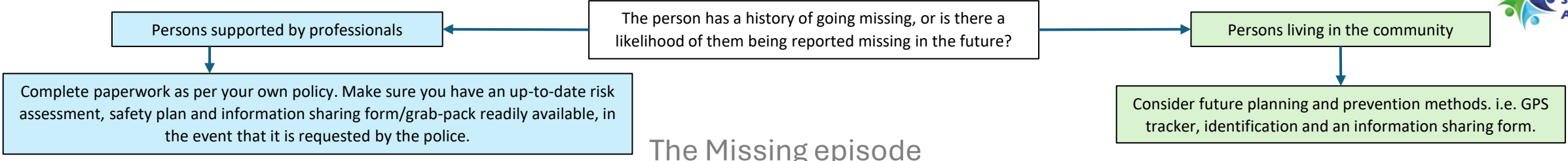
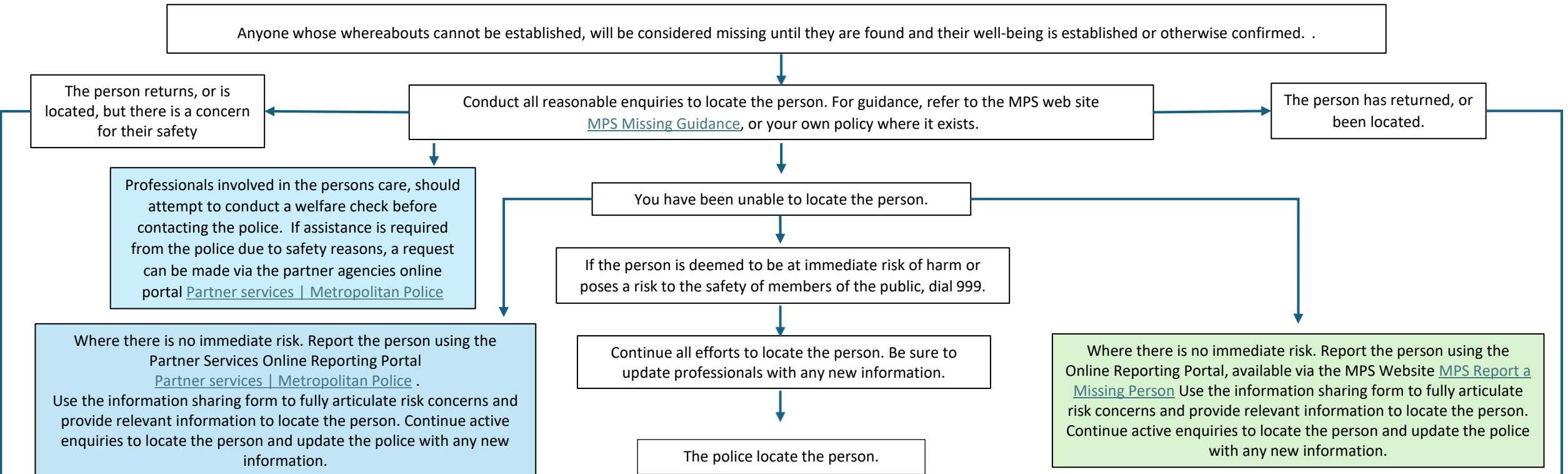


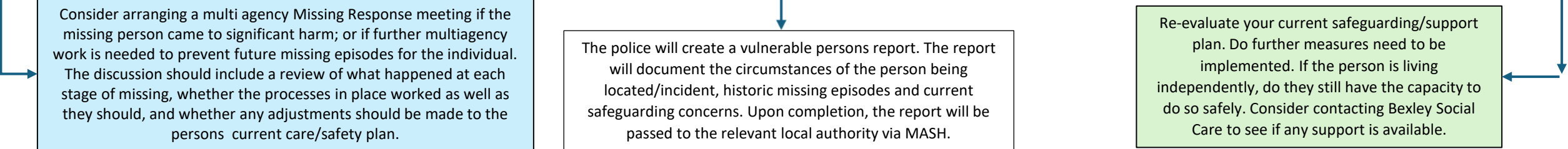
Planning and Prevention



The Missing episode



Safeguarding Evaluation



Planning and Prevention

- Does the person have a history of going missing, or is there a likelihood of them being reported missing in the future?
- Consider what you have in place now to ensure an adult at risk is safeguarded.
- Do you have Risk Assessment and Safety Plan in place with regular usage, review and updates?
- Do you share 'missing' risks with other partners for continuity of care?
- Do you have 'technology' risk assessments in place?
- Is the responsible person 'competent' or 'capable' of executing the action plan?

The Missing Episode

- If the adult at risk has gone 'missing' then all relevant enquiries must be made - i.e. looking for them yourselves, report via 101 or 999 if there is an immediate threat to life, notify the Local Authority.
- If the LA is made aware first, then, they must also notify the Police to trigger the Missing Persons escalation with the Police.
- You do not require 'consent' nor a 'DOLS' to report someone as 'missing.'

Safeguarding Evaluation

- You do not require 'consent' nor to report someone as 'missing' for a safeguarding concern to be raised.
- The Local Authority must have a Missing Persons plan for each vulnerable adult - this includes BexleyCare section 75 agreed services.
- Not instigating a section 42 for Safeguarding must be overseen by a Senior Manager for all Missing Person alerts regardless of whom is the notifier and ensure that the Police have been notified (if not already known).
- Re-evaluate your current safeguarding/support plan. Do further measures need to be implemented. If the person is living independently or with another vulnerable person - do they still have the capacity to do so safely.