

CHILDREN AND EDUCATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 5
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PETERBOROUGH SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD 2016-17

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM: Dr Russell Wate QPM Chair of the Cambridge & Peterborough Adult & Children's Safeguarding Boards	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that the Children and Education Scrutiny Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Note the content of the Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report 2016-17. 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 The report is submitted to the Children and Education Scrutiny Committee following sign off and publication of the Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report 16/17 in July 2017.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 There is a statutory requirement under Section 14A of the Children Act 2004 that Safeguarding Children Boards publish an annual report detailing the work of the Board.

The purpose of the report being brought to the Children and Education Scrutiny Committee is to ensure members are fully aware of the work and progress of the Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board.

The report covers the period from April 2016- March 2017 and was published in July 2017.

2.2 This report is for the Children and Education Scrutiny Committee to consider under its Terms of Reference Part 3, Section 4 - Overview and Scrutiny Functions, paragraph No. 2.1 Functions determined by Council :

- Children's Services including
- Social Care of Children;
 - Safeguarding; and
 - Children's Health.

- 2.3 This report links directly with the Corporate Priority: Safeguarding vulnerable children..
- 2.4 The report links into the Children in care Pledge and there is a specific section within the report that addresses children in care.

3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 4.1 The annual report includes information on the work that has been undertaken by the Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board in the period April 2016- March 2017. Members are requested to note the content of the report.

5. CONSULTATION

- 5.1 Partner agencies including Peterborough City Council, contributed to the information contained within the annual report.

The annual report was approved by the Safeguarding Children Board in July 2017 and was subsequently published on the Boards website (www.safeguardingpeterborough.org.uk) and shared on social media.

The Board have also produced a young person's version of the report. This is web based and can be found the Boards website.

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

- 6.1 The annual report highlights the significant events during the last year. It summarises both the work of the Safeguarding Children Board and its sub committees. It highlights areas of good practice and presents statistical information about safeguarding performance.

The report has been brought to the Children and Education Scrutiny Committee for information purposes.

7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 7.1 There are no recommendations for the Committee to consider - the report is for information only.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 8.1 There were no alternative options - it is a statutory responsibility of the Board to produce and publish an annual report.

9. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

- 9.1 There are no financial implications.

Legal Implications

- 9.2 There are no legal implications.

Equalities Implications

9.3 There are no equalities implications.

Rural Implications

9.4 There are no rural implications.

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

10.1 The majority of the statistics contained within the annual report are from the Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board dataset.

Partners provided information from their agencies which was used to formulate the annual report.

11. APPENDICES

11.1 Appendix 1 - Annual Report of Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board 2016-17

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