CHILDREN AND EDUCATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 5
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# CAMBRIDGESHIRE & PETERBOROUGH SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18

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It is recommended that the Children and Education Scrutiny Committee receive and note the content of the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report 2017-18.

## 1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

The report is submitted to the Children and Education Scrutiny Committee following sign off and publication of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report 17/18 in July 2018.

There is a statutory requirement under Working Together 2015 that Safeguarding Children's Boards publish an annual report detailing the work of the Board.

#### 2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 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 Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board.

The report covers the period from April 2017-March 2018 and was published in July 2018.

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

- a) Social Care of Children;
- b) Safeguarding; and
- c) Children's Health.

- 2.3 This report links directly with the Corporate Priority: Safeguarding vulnerable children. The extent to which Safeguarding is delivered effectively will have an impact on:
  - The capacity of families to meet their own needs independently
  - The long term health of children and young people
- 2.4 This report links in to the Children in Care Pledge in that it covers the safeguarding of children and young people. It contributes to establishing how far the Council meets its statutory responsibilities towards safeguarding looked after children.

#### 3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy	NO	If yes, date for	N/A
Item/Statutory Plan?		Cabinet meeting	

#### 4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

4.1 The annual report includes information on the work that has been undertaken by the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board in the period April 2017- March 2018.

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

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

The annual report was approved by the Safeguarding Children Board in July 2018 and was subsequently published on the Boards website (www.safeguardingpeterborough.org.uk) and shared on social media.

Members are requested to note the contents of the report

#### 5. CONSULTATION

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

## 6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

The annual report highlights the significant events during the last year, summarises both the work of the Safeguarding Children Board and the work of the 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 was no reason to consider alternative options. It is a statutory responsibility of the Safeguarding Children Board to produce 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

## **Children and Young People**

9.5 This report summarises the work undertaken by the Safeguarding Board in relation to keeping children and young people of Peterborough safe from Abuse and Neglect

#### 10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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

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

Partners provided information (including data) from their agencies which was used to formulate the annual report.

## 11. APPENDICES

11.1 Appendix 1- Annual Report of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board 2017-18

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