



Derby City Council

## **MEETING Children and Young People Board Date 25 June 2013**

# **ITEM 8**

Report of the Strategic Director of Children and Young People

### **Report on the topic review into Residential Children's Homes 2012 to 2013: Are our Children's Homes fit for purpose now and in the future?**

#### **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 Following the completion of the Topic Review into Derby's Residential Children's Homes during 2012 to 2013 a report was presented to Council Cabinet on 17 April 2013 by the chair of Overview and Scrutiny Councillor John Whitby.
- 1.2 Cabinet were pleased to receive the report and accepted all of the reports recommendations.
- 1.3 At the 25 June 2013 Overview and Scrutiny Commission a presentation will be delivered that will identify how the service is taking forward the report's recommendations.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 To note Cabinet endorsement of the Topic Reviews recommendations
- 2.2 To note that a presentation will be delivered at the next meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission

#### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 To update the Commission on intended service actions following the Topic Reviews recommendations

#### **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 4.1 The topic review focussed on answering the question, are our children's homes fit for purpose now and in the future? The report made twenty separate recommendations and gave reasoning for each recommendation.

<b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED</b>
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5.1 None

**This report has been approved by the following officers:**

<b>Legal officer</b> <b>Financial officer</b> <b>Human Resources officer</b> <b>Service Director(s)</b> <b>Other(s)</b>	Mark Barratt Director of Specialist Services Hazel Lymbery: Head of CiC and Regulated Services Rod Jones: Lead Service Manager Regulated services
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<b>Background papers:</b>	None
<b>List of appendices:</b>	Appendix 1 – Implications

<b>IMPLICATIONS</b>
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**Financial and Value for Money**

- 1.1 None arising from this report

**Legal**

- 2.1 None arising from this report

**Personnel**

- 3.1 None arising from this report

**Equalities Impact**

- 4.1 None arising from this report

**Health and Safety**

- 5.1 None arising from this report

**Environmental Sustainability**

- 6.1 None arising from this report

**Asset Management**

- 7.1 None arising from this report

**Risk Management**

- 8.1 None arising from this report

**Corporate objectives and priorities for change**

- 9.1 The report contributes to the following Council objectives:  
Good quality services that meet local needs

