

Derby Safeguarding Children Board – Annual Report

SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Derby Safeguarding Children Board (DSCB) is made up of senior people from the key agencies that work with children, young people and their families. Their aim is to 'work together to keep children and young people in Derby safe from abuse or harm at home and in our communities.'
- 1.2 The Chair of the DSCB, Christine Cassell has been invited to attend this Scrutiny Board meeting to discuss the work of the DSCB and to present their annual report.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note the presentation
- 2.2 To consider the DSCB Annual Report
- 2.3 To consider how the Children and Young People Board could develop links with the DSCB to ensure that the DSCB is effectively scrutinised in future.

Supporting Information

- 3.1 In December 2009, the Centre for Public Scrutiny and IDeA published a Safeguarding Children Scrutiny Guide which states: 'OSCs should, as a minimum, expect to review the annual report of the LSCB, and the performance data collected by Children's Services and by the LSCB. In addition, given the increasingly sharp focus by Ofsted on safeguarding practice, OSCs may wish to review Ofsted Reports received in the area in particular the reports of the inspections of duty and assessment services and the full inspections of safeguarding and services for looked after children.'
- 3.2 The Safeguarding Children Scrutiny Guide can be found on the following link:
http://www.local.gov.uk/c/document_library/get_file?uuid=7672e279-f584-4b42-ba7c-039e9d94d8e7&groupId=10171

The paper provides useful background information on Safeguarding and how an Overview and Scrutiny Board may wish to tackle this important subject.

This report has been approved by the following officers:

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IMPLICATIONS

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 This report contributes to the following Council objectives:
- Feeling safe and being safe
 - A strong community
 - Good health and well-being