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Derby Safeguarding Children Board Children at Risk of Exploitation (CRE) Annual Report

Purpose

1.1 The Derby Children at Risk of Exploitation (CRE) annual report builds on previous work that has been developed across the multi-agency partnership of previous years. It provides strong evidence that children within the City who are affected by exploitation are safeguarded from harm.

Over this reporting period there has been immense work undertaken to recognise that child sexual exploitation has developed and children are now exposed to other forms of exploitation. This includes child criminal exploitation; organised crime and gangs; modern slavery and Human Trafficking. To this end the CRE strategy which has been developed jointly with Derbyshire children social care serves to recognise this and provides a strong framework.

The work has been driven through the Vulnerable Young People's Sub Group which connects the various elements of exploitation and links this to the priority areas of the strategy.

There is evidence of direct impact of the work undertaken to both children and families in the City who are affected by CRE. In addition to the training that has been undertaken to ensure that the partnership maintains up to date knowledge of the type of exploitation children face.

1.2 The annual report for 2018 to 2019 is attached as appendix two and provides a comprehensive account of the work and activity that has been undertaken during this period to prevent, protect and support children and families in the City.

Recommendation

2.1 To note the Children at Risk of Exploitation report and the work of the Derby Safeguarding Children Board.

Reason

3.1 There continues to be heightened media and political interest on the issue of CSE and CRE. Derby has reviewed its own practice and has revised its action plan accordingly. Derby remains very alert to the issue of CRE for Derby's children and young people.

and partners work hard to protect them.

Supporting information

- 4.1 The strategy is delivered through the 5 'P's approach of:
 - Prevent
 - Protect
 - Pursue
 - Prepare and Provide
 - Partnership
- 4.2 The report demonstrated strong multi agency evidence of impact of intervention and what children , their parents along with professionals say about their experience of CRE work being undertaken by the partnership.

Public/stakeholder engagement

- 5.1 The CRE annual report was circulated to the VYP Subgroup for their feedback. The Partnership has contributed to the report in relation to how they have impacted on CRE work in their organisation.
- 5.2 The challenge remains in the service to develop CRE children champions

Other options

6.1 None considered.

Financial and value for money issues

7.1 Services supporting vulnerable children and young people are provided by a range of partners on behalf of the DSCB and Council.

Legal implications

8.1 None arising from this report.

Other significant implications

9.1 None arising from this report.

This report has been approved by the following people:

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| Background papers: List of appendices: | None. Appendix 1 - Annual Report | |