

## **Report to HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**

# **Local Safeguarding Children's Board Annual Report 2017-18 and Business Plan 2018-19**

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### **Purpose of the Report**

The purpose of the report is to present the Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB) annual report 2017-18 and 2018-19 Business Plan to the Health and Wellbeing Board for information.

### **Executive Summary**

The Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB) has a statutory responsibility under Section 14 of the Children's Act 2004 to co-ordinate the safeguarding activity of agencies within the local area and to ensure the effectiveness of this activity for the purposes of promoting the safety and wellbeing of children and young people.

### Annual report 2017-18

Working Together 2015 requires that LSCBs must publish an annual report which provides an assessment of the performance and effectiveness of local services in their safeguarding activity.

Within this 2017-18 annual report the LSCB details the partnership's safeguarding activity over the 12 month period and assesses the impact of this activity against the LSCB's strategic plan for 2015-2018.

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The report concludes by identifying the strategic safeguarding priorities for the next three year period 2019-2021. These are:

1. Domestic Abuse
2. Complex and Contextual Safeguarding
3. Children not accessing education including elective home education
4. Transitions
5. Understanding the impact of trauma on children and young people
6. Child's lived experience

### Business Plan 2018-19

Guided by the priorities outlined in the Strategic Plan 2019-2021 the LSCB produces an annual business plan that defines the actions to be undertaken in year one to support the achievement of our aims by the end of year three.

The attached business plan is the Q4 version highlighting the activity undertaken in each of the priority areas.

It is worthy of note that the LSCB has commissioned a large number of Serious Case Reviews during this 12 month period which has impacted, in terms of capacity, on the ability to progress some of the actions to the desired stages. As such the LSCB has agreed to carry some of the actions over into the 2019-20 business plan, which is due to be signed off by the Board on 21 March 2019.

### **Recommendations/Requirement from the Health and Wellbeing Board**

To note the annual report 2017-18 and Business Plan 2018-19 and provide appropriate challenge where required.