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| DECISION-MAKER: | HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD | | |
| SUBJECT: | LOCAL SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 2014/15 | | |
| DATE OF DECISION: | 27 JANUARY 2016 | | |
| REPORT OF: | INDEPENDENT CHAIR OF THE LSCB, KEITH MAKIN | | |
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| STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY | | | |
| None. | | | |

BRIEF SUMMARY

'Working Together to Safeguard Children and Young People 2015' statutory guidance directs that the LSCB produces an annual report providing a "rigorous and transparent assessment of the performance and effectiveness of local [Safeguarding] services". The report attached provides this assessment. Working Together requires that this report is submitted to the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (i) To reflect on the key issues identified in the opening statement of the LSCB Annual Report (Appendix 1, page 4) from the Chair in relation to 'How safe are children in Southampton?'
- (ii) To receive the full LSCB Report and utilise the information contained within it to inform the health and Wellbeing Board's future work.

REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The LSCB Annual Report contains significant information in relation to the local profile of children and young people and the outcomes for them. This is taken from analysis of local data compared to national and benchmarking data as well as details gained during the year from the LSCB Quality Assurance activities. As the Board will be aware, the LSCB gains themes for learning from case reviews and audits of cases as part of its statutory functions, as summarised in the report. This should be used as relevant by the HWBB to inform its future work.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

2. None.

DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)

3. Ofsted reflected that the previous LSCB annual report did not meet their requirement, as part of its judgement that the LSCB 'requires improvement' to be good. Since the time of the review by Ofsted the LSCB has made improvements to its systems for gaining assurance from local services including in the way that information and data is reported to the Board. This is now more effective in informing the boards work, which is reflected in the Annual Report. In September 2015, the LSCB approved this report alongside its Business Plan for 2015-18 and the Summary Documents all of which are attached and

are published online at (www.southamptonlscb.co.uk).

4. The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to particularly reflect on the key issues identified in the opening statement within the report which is made by the Independent Chair, Keith Makin and to utilise this information in the development of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and other issues it considers as part of its duties.
5. This statement is based on the finding within the report which include learning from case reviews and audits, and from the Ofsted inspection.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital/Revenue

6. None.

Property/Other

7. None.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

8. None.

Other Legal Implications:

9. None.

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

10. None.

KEY DECISION? No

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| WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED: | All |
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices

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| 1. | LSCB Annual Report |
| 2. | LSCB Annual Report Summary Sheet |
| 3. | LSCB Business Plan 2015-18. |

Documents In Members' Rooms

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| 1. | None. |
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Equality Impact Assessment

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| Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be carried out. | Yes/No |
| Privacy Impact Assessment | |

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| Do the implications/subject of the report require a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) to be carried out. | Yes/No |
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Other Background Documents

Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:

Title of Background Paper(s)

Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)

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