
MANAGED TEAM AND MULTI-AGENCY SAFEGUARDING HUB – PROGRESS
REPORT

Purpose of Report

1. The Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee has been informed of the progress being made on utilising the “Managed Team” and the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) during its monitoring of the performance of Children’s Services as well as during the Referrals Investigation undertaken in 2014.
2. The Committee requested a briefing paper on the lessons learnt from the work undertaken by the Managed Team and the exit strategy to ensure that the social worker caseloads are not impacted by the loss of the team. The Members had also requested during the Referrals Investigation further information on the development of its MASH. The Director has provided a report on the Managed Team (copy attached at **Appendix A**) and will provide a verbal update on the MASH at the meeting.

Way Forward

3. The Director of Social Services, Tony Young, has asked to attend Committee for this item and will give a presentation that takes Members through the plans and developments.
4. Members will have the opportunity to ask questions on the information provided in the progress report.

Financial Implications

5. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. However, financial implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications.

Legal Implications

6. The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters there are no direct legal implications. However, legal implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any legal implications arising from those recommendations. All decisions taken by or on behalf of the Council must (a) be within the legal powers of the Council; (b) comply with any procedural requirement imposed by law; (c) be within the powers of the body or person exercising powers on behalf of the Council; (d) be undertaken in accordance with the procedural requirements imposed by the Council e.g. Scrutiny Procedure Rules; (e) be fully and properly informed; (f) be properly motivated; (g) be taken having regard to the Council's fiduciary duty to its taxpayers; and (h) be reasonable and proper in all the circumstances.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is recommended to consider the information provided by the Director in the briefing report and presentation at Committee, and consider the future scrutiny of these areas.

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