

Report of the Cabinet Member for Services for Children & Young People

Scrutiny Programme Committee – 13 June 2016

CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING ANNUAL REPORT 2014/15 AND ADDENDUM FOR 2015/16

Purpose	To present an overview of the work of the Corporate Safeguarding People Steering Group by providing the Annual Report for the period 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015 with an updated addendum to reflect progress as at 31st March 2016
Content	This report includes the Safeguarding Annual Report, an addendum and Action Plan
Councillors are being asked to	Endorse the actions being taken by the Corporate Safeguarding Group in response to the Welsh Audit Office review of Local Authority arrangements to Support the Safeguarding of Children
Lead Councillor(s)	Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Christine Richards
Lead Officer(s)	Dave Howes, Chief Social Services Officer
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 Safeguarding Vulnerable People is one of the Council's main five priorities and in response to the Welsh Audit Office review of Local Authority arrangements to Support the Safeguarding of Children a Corporate Safeguarding Group was set up in April 2014.
- 1.2 The Group has looked at the findings of the Audit and the five proposals for improvement have formed the core work of the Group. The membership of the Group is drawn from departments from across the Council.
- 1.3 The attached report, Corporate Safeguarding Group Action Plan (**Appendix 1**) and addendum (**Appendix 2**) provide an update on the work undertaken to date and the key actions to be completed during 2016/17 by the Corporate Safeguarding Group.

2. Reporting

- 2.1 Reporting the Annual Report to Scrutiny will provide Members with an overview of the progress to date of the work of the Corporate Safeguarding Group.

3. Legal Implications

- 3.1 There are no specific legal implications raised by this report.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no specific financial implications raised by this report.

Appendices:

Appendix 1 - Corporate Safeguarding Steering Group Annual Report 2014/15
and Action Plan

Appendix 2 - Addendum

Background Papers: None

Legal Officer: Stephen Holland / Lucy Moore

Finance Officer: Chris Davies