

**TO: HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD
4 JULY 2013**

LOCAL SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD - BUSINESS PLAN 2013/14

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The LSCB produces a Business Plan to ensure key safeguarding priorities are addressed by the LSCB, and partner organisations.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:

- 2.1 **Note the 2013/14 Business Plan attached as annex 1, and ensure that the priorities identified are addressed through the Health and Wellbeing Board Members as appropriate.**
- 2.2 **Ensure that the safeguarding priorities are incorporated as appropriate into the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.**

3 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 The LSCB Business Plan identifies the key priorities for safeguarding across partner agencies and the core business of the LSCB, as defined in the revised Department for Education Guidance Working Together to Safeguard Children (March 2013).
- 3.2. Section 14 of the Children Act 2004 sets out the objectives of the LSCB:
- (a) to coordinate what is done by each person or body represented on the Board for the purposes of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in each area
 - (b) to ensure the effectiveness of what is done by each such person or body for those purposes
- 3.3 To ensure the LSCB is able to deliver its core business as identified in Working Together 2013, the LSCB has five core business objectives:
- Maximise the effectiveness of arrangements to safeguard and protect children and young people.
 - Ensure clear governance arrangements are in place for safeguarding children and young people.
 - Oversee Serious Case Reviews [SCR`s] and ensure learning and actions are implemented as a result.
 - To ensure we have a safe workforce and that single-agency and multi-agency training is effective.
 - To raise awareness of the roles and responsibilities of the LSCB and promote agency and community roles and responsibilities in relation to safeguarding children and young people.

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- 3.4 In addition to the delivery of core priorities the LSCB has identified five targeted priorities on which to focus in the coming year. These targeted priorities are:
- TP 1
Reduce incidences of domestic abuse and the impact this has on children, young people and families.
- TP 2
Reduce the impact of substance and alcohol misuse on children, young people and families.
- TP 3
Develop and understanding of neglect and the impact this has on children, young people and families.
- TP 4
Develop and implement the framework for early help, and monitor the impact of this on children, young people and families
- TP 5
To work with partner agencies to develop a strategy for the coordination of and provision of support to young people at risk of child sexual exploitation
- 3.5 The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note the targeted priorities as they will all be relevant to the wider determinants of health, and working in partnership to address these will have a significant impact on the health and wellbeing of those living in Bracknell Forest.
- 3.6 Progress against the LSCB business Plan is monitored through the LSCB Executive, and reported to the Health and Wellbeing Board via an annual report. The 2012/13 Annual Report will be presented to the Health and Wellbeing Board in December 2013.

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