STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting17th May 2012

1. <u>Title of Item/Report</u>

Statutory Guidance onn the Role of Director of Children's Services

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report relating to statutory guidance issued in relation to the roles and responsibilities of the Director of Children's Services and the Lead Member of Children's Services

It was explained that Local authorities in England had to have regard to it in relation to the appointment of the Director of Children's Services and the designation of the Lead Member for Children's Services. The new guidance replaced the previous two versions issued in 2005 and 2009 and was intended to be reviewed on an annual basis.

Members were provided with details of the revised guidance.

An assessment of compliance with the statutory guidance in relation to the organisational structure had been carried out and the required assurances made using the council's risk assessment methodology.

RESOLVED that the revised statutory guidance and the fact that the necessary assurances had been conducted be noted.

3. Reasons for the Decision

To inform cabinet of the revised statutory guidelines and that the necessary assurances had been conducted.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Harrington declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in the item entitled Statutory Guidance on the Role of Director of Children's

Services and the Lead Member for Children's Services as he was a member of the Children's Trust Board.

6. <u>Details of any Dispensations</u>

None

7. <u>Date and Time by which Call In must be executed</u>

By no later than midnight on Friday 25 May 2012

Proper Officer 21 May 2012