STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting12th March 2015

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

CSC Activity and Performance 2014-15

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report on Children's Social Care Activity and Performance.

In light of the Ofsted inspection of child protection in January 2013, it had been decided to review the content and format of future children's social care reports to Cabinet.

In addition to a range of measures to illustrate the pressures experienced by the service, a number of performance indicators would also be included so that Cabinet could more closely monitor the impact of these pressures on performance and outcomes for children.

As a way of achieving this, the use of a 'process model' was approved by Cabinet on 13 June 2013.

Given the importance and profile of these issues it had been agreed that the new activity and performance reports are brought to Cabinet on a bimonthly basis ie every alternate Cabinet.

The report was based on the available data at the end of quarter 3 (31 December 2014).

RESOLVED that:-

- 1. The continued workload pressures and associated activity in the children's social care system and the consequent impact this is having on both performance and budget be noted.
- 2. Further update reports be received on a quarterly basis in order to continue to monitor children's social care activity and performance.

3. Reasons for the Decision

There are significant and continuing pressures in the children's social care system which could potentially impact on the Council's ability to effectively safeguard children, fulfil statutory duties and remain within allocated budget.

4. <u>Alternative Options Considered and Rejected</u>

None

5. <u>Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest</u>

None

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

N/A

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

Midnight on Friday, 20th March 2015

Proper Officer 16 March 2015