

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting1st September 2016

1. Title of Item/Report

Safeguarding and Looked After Children Activity Performance Update

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report that provided an update on activity and performance and any associated workload pressures in relation to the Safeguarding and Looked After Children Service.

The report would also highlight any national changes in legislation, policy and guidance which were likely to have an impact on services within Stockton-on-Tees.

This report was based on the available data at the end of quarter 1 (30 June 2016).

This revised and simplified format for reporting to Cabinet focused on activity and performance within the Safeguarding and Looked After Children Service, which was established as part of the new structure arising from the children's services review which became operational on 1 September 2015.

The report focused on performance against a small number of key performance indicators.

In addition, the report would draw on a range of qualitative information in order to provide cabinet with a more rounded view of activity and performance within the Safeguarding and Looked After Children Service.

Finally, the report highlighted any key national changes in legislation, policy and guidance which were likely to have an impact on services to children and families in Stockton-on-Tees.

RESOLVED that

1. The current activity and performance within the Safeguarding and Looked After Children Service and impact of workload pressures be noted.

2. Further update reports on a quarterly basis in order to continue to monitor activity and performance be received.

3. Reasons for the Decision

The welfare of children and outcomes for looked after children were key council priorities and ongoing workload pressures could potentially impact on the council's ability to effectively safeguard children, fulfil statutory duties and remain within allocated budget.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

N/A

6. Details of any Dispensations

N/A

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight, 9th September 2016

Proper Officer
05 June 2016