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Report of Mark Peel, Independent Chair Leeds Safeguarding Children Board

Report to Scrutiny Board (Children's Services)

Date: 12 November 2015

Subject: Leeds Safeguarding Children Board – Annual Report 2014/15

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):		
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?		☐ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	☐ Yes	⊠ No

1.0 Purpose of this report

1.1 Leeds Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) is a statutory body established under the Children Act 2004 and 'Working Together to Safeguard Children (2010)'. It is independently chaired and consists of senior representatives of all the principle stakeholders working together to safeguard children and young people in the City.

Its statutory objectives are to:

- Co-ordinate local work to safeguard and promote the welfare of children
- To ensure the effectiveness of that work
- 1.2 Attached is the executive summary of the Leeds Safeguarding Children Annual Report 2014/2015 for consideration by the Scrutiny Board (Children's Services). The report, published on the 30.09.15. highlights the degree of progress made over 2014/15 and the challenges arising for 2015/16.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Scrutiny Board (Children's Services) is recommended to:
 - Consider and note the information contained within the LSCB Annual Report and make recommendations to support and challenge the children's safeguarding partnership in Leeds and LSCB as deemed appropriate.

3.0 Background documents¹

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¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website,

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