

Report of Mark Peel, Independent Chair Leeds Safeguarding Children Board

Report to Scrutiny Board (Children's Services)

Date: 10th November 2016

Subject: Leeds Safeguarding Children Board – Annual Report 2015/16

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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 full Leeds Safeguarding Children Annual Report 2015/2016 for consideration by the Scrutiny Board (Children's Services). The report, published on the 1 November 2016, highlights the degree of progress made over 2015/16 and the challenges arising for 2016/17.

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

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include

None