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Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board Adult Social Care

Date: 7th October 2009

Subject: Independence Wellbeing and Choice Inspection Action Plan: August 2009

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:
	Equality and Diversity
	Community Cohesion
Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Narrowing the Gap

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board with information relating to the performance of Adult Social Services against the action plan, formulated from the findings of the Independence Wellbeing and Choice review undertaken by CSCI.
- 1.2 On the 3rd of December the Executive Board received the Independence, Wellbeing and Choice report. Associated with the reports is an action plan defining targets for improvement by Adult Social Services in order to resolve the problems raised by the inspector. In response the Executive Board resolved that the report and associated plan be referred to Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Care) for their oversight of performance against the targets set out in the action plan.
- 1.3 This matter was brought to the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board on the 10th of December 2008 for discussion. The board recommending that the Proposals Working Group (ASC) meet on a monthly basis to monitor overall progress of Adult Social Services performance against the objectives set out in the action plan and report directly to the Scrutiny Board. The Independence Wellbeing and Choice summary and progress reports were brought before the Proposals Working Group on the 29th September 2009.
- 1.4 One representative from the Health Scrutiny Board was initially invited to sit on the Proposals Working Group. A nominee was not present at the working group meeting.

- 1.5 Draft minutes from the Proposals Working Group 29 September 2009 are to follow as appendix 1.
- 1.6 The Independence Wellbeing and Choice Progress Report August 2009 is attached as appendix 2.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board is asked to note the draft minutes from the Proposals Working Group and the summary and progress report for August 2009.
- 2.2 In addition, the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board is specifically asked to:
 - 2.2.1 Consider the outcome of the August 2009 summary and progress report, commenting on any specific aspects included.
 - 2.2.2 Determine if there are any specific / further areas that require additional scrutiny by the Proposals Working Group.

3.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.