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Report of Director of Children's Services

Report to West Yorkshire Adoption Joint Committee

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Subject: Performance Report

Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, access to information procedure rule number: Appendix number:	Yes	⊠ No

Summary of main issues

1. This report sets out the second quarterly performance report of the new regional agency.

Recommendations

- 2. The Joint Committee is requested to:
 - a) note the proposed performance report format and information; and
 - b) support the development of this work.

1. Purpose of this report

1.1 This report sets out the first quarterly performance report of the new regional agency.

2. Background information

- 2.1 Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield adoption functions as specified in the partnership agreement were delegated on the 1st April 2017 to Leeds City Council. One Adoption West Yorkshire formally opened.
- 2.2 The partnership agreement is clear that One Adoption West Yorkshire will develop a performance management framework and will comply with the key performance indicators set and report upon performance in relation to these to the Management Board of the Regional Adoption Agency (RAA), the Adoption Leadership board and any other statutory body as required.
- 2.3 This is the format of the quarterly report and the second quarter performance information.

3. Main issues

- 3.1 Work has been undertaken to establish the key performance criteria which will form the basis for practice improvement for the agency and this has been built upon since the first quarter report.
- 3.2 Adoption Support is one area that requires more detailed consideration. There are a number of discussions nationally about the data requirements that will assist in measuring performance and the adopter voice forum is working closely with us in developing this. This work has been delayed at a national level and we are to be involved in piloting a dataset from April 2018 to take this forward.

4. Corporate considerations

4.1 Consultation and engagement

4.1.1 There has been ongoing consultation and engagement with other local authorities and with adoptive parents about the practice improvement framework and performance measures.

4.2 Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

4.2.1 There are no implications for this report.

4.3 Resources and value for money

4.3.1 There are no implications for this report.

4.4 Legal implications and access to information

4.4.1 There are no implications for this report.

4.5 Risk management

4.5.1 There are no implications for this report.

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 The Joint Committee is requested to:
 - a) note the proposed performance report format and information; and
 - b) support the development of this work.

6. Background documents¹

6.1 None

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 published works.