

Executive Board – 15th December 2020

Subject:	Nottingham City Safeguarding Children Partnership: Annual Report 2019/20
Corporate Director(s)/Director(s):	Catherine Underwood, Corporate Director for People Helen Blackman Director for Childrens Integrated Services
Portfolio Holder(s):	Councillor Cheryl Barnard, Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People
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Other colleagues who have provided input:	All partner agency representatives who submitted reports regarding their respective agencies
Subject to call-in: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Key Decision: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Criteria for Key Decision:	
(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Expenditure <input type="checkbox"/> Income <input type="checkbox"/> Savings of £1,000,000 or more taking account of the overall impact of the decision	
and/or	
(b) Significant impact on communities living or working in two or more wards in the City <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Type of expenditure: <input type="checkbox"/> Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Capital	
Total value of the decision: N/A	
Wards affected: All	
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s):	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:	
Nottingham People	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Living in Nottingham	<input type="checkbox"/>
Growing Nottingham	<input type="checkbox"/>
Respect for Nottingham	<input type="checkbox"/>
Serving Nottingham Better	<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizen's/service users):	
<p>This is the first annual report of the Nottingham City Safeguarding Children Partnership; it covers the period from 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020. It is a statutory requirement that the Partnership publish a report each year.</p> <p>The strategic lead responsibility for safeguarding is now shared between the three statutory partners of Local Authority, Police and Health (Clinical Commissioning Groups), as set out in Working Together 2018.</p> <p>The Partnership exists as a statutory body and has a range of roles including reviewing child deaths, undertaking Serious Case Reviews, developing policies and procedures and scrutinising and challenging local safeguarding practice.</p> <p>Section 14 of the Children Act 2004 sets out the objectives for the Local Safeguarding Children Partnership (LSCP) as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To coordinate what is done by each person or body represented on the Partnership for the purposes of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in the area and; • To ensure the effectiveness of what is done by each such person or body for these purposes. <p>The Nottingham City Safeguarding Children Partnership (NCSCP) is established in accordance with the Children and Social Work Act 2017 and Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018. The NCSCP provides the safeguarding arrangements under which the safeguarding partners and</p>	

relevant agencies work together to coordinate their safeguarding services, identify and respond to the needs of children in Nottingham City, commission and publish local child safeguarding practice reviews and provide scrutiny to ensure the effectiveness of the arrangements.

The new safeguarding arrangements have been developed to build on the strengths of the previous arrangements under the Nottingham City Safeguarding Children Board. Accountability for the effectiveness of safeguarding rests with the safeguarding partners through a new Strategic Leadership Group.

Exempt information:

None

Recommendation(s):

1 To approve the 2019/20 Nottingham City Safeguarding Children Partnership annual report

1 Reasons for recommendations

- 1.1 It is a statutory requirement that Nottingham City Safeguarding Children Partnership must publish an annual report detailing what the NCSCP has done during the year to achieve its main objectives and implement its strategic plan.
- 1.2 This report is put forward for scrutiny and approval as an accurate record of activity undertaken by the Partnership and its partners during the 2019/20 financial year to assure itself that the NCSCP and its partners have acted to help and protect children.

2 Background (including outcomes of consultation)

- 2.1 The Nottingham City Safeguarding Children Partnership (NCSCP) is established in accordance with the Children and Social Work Act 2017 and Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018.

3 Other options considered in making recommendations

- 3.1 The alternative option would have been not to produce an annual report. However, as it is a statutory requirement to do so, this option was not considered.

4 Finance colleague comments (including implications and value for money/VAT)

- 4.1 None

5 Legal and Procurement colleague comments (including risk management issues, and legal, Crime and Disorder Act and procurement implications)

- 5.1 There are no legal implications.

Natalie Grant,
Team Leader- Legal Services
24/11/20

6 Strategic Assets & Property colleague comments (for decisions relating to all property assets and associated infrastructure)

- 6.1 Not applicable

7 Social value considerations

7.1 Not applicable

8 Regard to the NHS Constitution

8.1 Not applicable

9 Equality Impact Assessment (EIA)

9.1 Has the equality impact of the proposals in this report been assessed?

No



An EIA is not required because: Although many of the Partnerships members are 'public authorities' as understood by the 2010 Equalities Act, the NCSCP itself is not, so any requirement to undertake an EIA does not apply. Furthermore, the report presented does not propose any actions but rather summarises activity already undertaken.

10 List of background papers relied upon in writing this report (not including published documents or confidential or exempt information)

10.1 None

11 Published documents referred to in this report

11.1 NCSCP annual report 2019/20