

Children and Families Committee

Date of Meeting:	14 November 2022
Report Title:	Cheshire East Safeguarding Childrens Partnership Annual Report 2021-22
Report of:	Deborah Woodcock, Executive Director of Children's Services
Report Reference No:	CF/19/22-23
Ward(s) Affected:	All

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The statutory guidance Working Together 2018 requires each area to produce and publish an Annual Report on the effectiveness of the arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people in their local area. This contributes to the strategic aims and objectives of the corporate plan to protect and support our communities and safeguard children, adults at risk and families from abuse, neglect and exploitation.

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 This report will provide the Children and Families Committee with an update on progress against the Cheshire East Safeguarding Children's Partnership priorities and is planned for 2022/23 to make Cheshire East a safer place for children and young people

3. Recommendations

- 3.1. The Children and Families Committee is recommended to scrutinise the progress to by Cheshire East Safeguarding Children's Partnership, and the impact for children and young people, recognising the achievements and

progress made, and to seek assurance around ongoing areas for further development.

4. Reasons for Recommendations

- 4.1. The Cheshire East Safeguarding Children's Partnership priorities contribute to the Councils Corporate Plan aimed to protect and support our communities and safeguard children from abuse, neglect and exploitation. This includes protecting adults at risk and families from abuse and the objective that children receive the right support, by the right people, at the right time, so they are effectively protected from harm, and are supported to stay within their families and communities.

5. Other Options Considered

- 5.1. This section is not applicable

6. Background

- 6.1. The statutory guidance Working Together 2018 requires each area to produce and publish an Annual Report on the effectiveness of the arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people in their local area. The report has been scrutinised by the Cheshire East Safeguarding Children's Partnership statutory representatives from Cheshire East council, Cheshire Police and Cheshire NHS Clinical Commissioning Group

7. Implications

7.1. Legal

- 7.1.1. The Council is defined by Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018 and the Children Act 2004 (as amended by the Children and Social Work Act, 2017) as a safeguarding partner in partnership with the Cheshire NHS clinical commissioning group and chief officer of police for Cheshire. This partnership operates within that legal guidance.

7.2. Finance

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7.3. Policy

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7.4. Equality

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7.5. Human Resources

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7.6. Risk Management

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7.7. Rural Communities

- 7.7.1. The Council is defined by Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018 and the Children Act 2004 (as amended by the Children and Social Work Act, 2017) as a safeguarding partner in partnership with the Cheshire NHS clinical commissioning group and chief officer of police for Cheshire. This partnership operates within that legal guidance.

7.8. Children and Young People/Cared for Children

- 7.8.1. The Council is defined by Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018 and the Children Act 2004 (as amended by the Children and Social Work Act, 2017) as a safeguarding partner in partnership with the Cheshire NHS clinical commissioning group and chief officer of police for Cheshire. This partnership operates within that legal guidance.

7.9. Public Health

- 7.9.1. The Council is defined by Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018 and the Children Act 2004 (as amended by the Children and Social Work Act, 2017) as a safeguarding partner in partnership with the Cheshire NHS clinical commissioning group and chief officer of police for Cheshire. This partnership operates within that legal guidance.

7.10. Climate Change

- 7.10.1. The Council is defined by Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018 and the Children Act 2004 (as amended by the Children and Social Work Act, 2017) as a safeguarding partner in partnership with the Cheshire NHS clinical commissioning group and chief officer of police for Cheshire. This partnership operates within that legal guidance.

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