

# **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

## **REPORT TO: Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

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**Date of Meeting:** 19 December 2016  
**Report of:** Director of Legal Services  
**Subject/Title:** Child Sexual Exploitation(CSE)  
**Portfolio Holder:** Councillor Liz Durham

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### **1.0 Report Summary**

- 1.1 This report introduces the CSE Task and Finish Group's (the Task Group) report on its findings, conclusions and recommendations following its review.

### **2.0 Recommendations**

- 2.1 That the Committee approves the Task Group's recommendations, which are contained in the attached report at page 17, section 16
- 2.2 That the Committee submit the Task Group's report to Cabinet for consideration and request a response to be received by this Committee on a date to be determined.

### **3.0 Reasons for Recommendations**

- 3.1 The Task Group was established to consider whether the Council's arrangements to safeguard children from CSE are adequate. The Task Group's findings and recommendations are provided to advise Cabinet and Officers in the development of future strategies and services.

### **4.0 Wards Affected**

- 4.1 All

### **5.0 Local Ward Members**

- 5.1 All

### **6.0 Background**

- 6.1 The Group's original scope for the review was to seek assurances about the Council's safeguarding arrangements in relation to CSE, to advise the Cabinet and the Council's partners on any improvements that are considered appropriate to local arrangements and to raise awareness of CSE across the whole community of Cheshire East.

6.2 The review was carried out in two distinct phases. The first phase looked at the various strategies and policies that the Council and partners had in place to protect children and young people from CSE. The second phase investigated how these strategies and policies were applied in practice.

6.3 The Group's report documents its findings, conclusions and recommendations.

## **11.0 Access to Information**

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer:

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