



1. HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

1.1. ISLE OF WIGHT SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD (IOWSCB) 2016/17 ANNUAL REPORT, AND, IOWSCB PROTOCOL WITH THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD.

1.2 This paper and both attached documents are for general publication.

1.3 **19 OCTOBER 2017**

1.4 **SOPHIE BUTT, STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP MANAGER, IOWSCB AND HSCB ON BEHALF OF DEREK BENSON, INDEPENDENT CHAIR OF IOWSCB.**

2. Summary

2.1 This attached annual report from the Isle of Wight Safeguarding Children Board (IOWSCB) provides an independent analysis of the safeguarding services provided to the Island's children and young people over 2016/17, and provides a summary of the work undertaken to deliver the IOWSCB's Business Plan. The final section of the report outlines the priorities over the next year.

In addition, a protocol has been developed to formalise the relationship between IOWSCB and the IOW Health and Wellbeing Board. It outlines the inter-relationship that should exist between the two Boards, including how information shall be shared between the two Board's to inform their respective work, and the presentation of the IOWSCB Annual Report going forward.

The Health and Wellbeing Board may be aware that during 2016/17 the IOWSCB appointed a new Independent Chair. The previous Independent Chair, Maggie Blyth, stood down in October 2016 and the incoming Independent Chair, Derek Benson, joined in December 2016. Derek is also Independent Chair of the Hampshire Local Safeguarding Children Board and holds Independent roles elsewhere. Derek recently retired as the Deputy Chief Constable for Essex Police.

3. Decisions, recommendations and any options

3.1 The Board is asked to:

- Note that the child protection partnership is working effectively across IOW but there are pressure points in relation to the increased complexity of cases and volume of activity in the system.
- Ensure that learning from SCRs is embedded in respective agencies and leads to effective information sharing between organisations
- Approve the Protocol between the IOWSCB and IOW Health and Wellbeing Board and agree to the principles of information sharing between the two Board's.

3.2 Relevant information

The IOWSCB had three strategic priorities during 2016/17. Highlights of achievements include:

1. Leadership and Governance:

- 100% of IOW Taxi Drivers now DBS checked and undertaken mandatory training on Child Sexual Exploitation
- Increase in numbers of privately fostered children registered with the Local Authority

2. Scrutiny, Performance and Assurance

- 100% response rate to Section 175/157 Education Audits and 9 school visits completed
- Updated Section 11 multi-agency audit tool with follow up Scrutiny Panels
- IOW Child Death Overview Panel established and embedded
- Joint Hampshire and IOW Neglect Strategy published and launched at IOWSCB multi-agency conference.
- Range of multi-agency audits completed on thematic issues.

3. Improving Quality and Practice

- Review of the 4LSCB Joint Working Protocol
- IOWSCB Multi-agency training events attended by 600 professionals across IOW
- 'In the Net' and 'Chelsea's Choice' dramas watched by over 2,500 children / teachers / parents and carers.
- Learning Lessons workshops delivered to disseminate themes and learning arising from Serious Case Reviews (SCRs) and audits.

The IOWLSCBs priorities for 2017/18 include:

- Child Neglect
- A Family Approach
- Safeguarding Children from Sexual Abuse

A full overview of the work of the IOWSCB during this period, as well as an independent analysis of the safeguarding services provided to the Island's children will be provided to the Health and Wellbeing Board in Autumn 2018.

4. Important considerations and implications

4.6 The IOWSCB is constituted of membership of a range of partner agencies including Children Social Care, Health (CCG / Provider / Public Health), the Police, Probation, Youth Offending Team, Education and the voluntary sector. The annual business plan and work programme is developed in partnership with all agencies.

4 Supporting documents and information

APENDICIES

- [APPENDIX 1](#) - IOWSCB 2016/17 Annual Report
- [APPENDIX 2](#) – Protocol between IOWSCB and IOW Health and Wellbeing Board

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