

Meeting of the Full Council – 13 October 2016

Report on the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee meeting on the 7 September 2016

Chair: County Councillor Gina Dowding

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Lancashire Safeguarding Children's Board

Jane Booth, Independent Chair of the Lancashire Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB), presented the Committee with the Annual Report for 2015/16 which set out the priorities for the LSCB and areas identified for future work.

Resolved: The Committee:

- i. Considered and commented on the content of the Annual Report and identified actions to take.
- ii. At the January 2017 meeting, consider what information to be received around children and young people's health for the meeting in April.

Fostering and Adoption

Barbara Bath, Head of Service Fostering, Adoption and Residential YOT presented the Committee with a report detailing the background to the Fostering and Adoption Service.

The report outlined the services delivered by Fostering and Adoption in Lancashire and provided information on the challenges faced by the service.

Resolved: The Committee:

- i. Considered and agreed areas for review within the Fostering and Adoption Service
- ii. Confirmed work to be completed by the sub groups on the marketing of foster carer recruitment and to review possible complementary services such as a respite model
- iii. To confirm nominations for the sub groups with Wendy Broadley

Youth Offending Team - Sub Group Update

The Committee were presented with the final draft report of the YOT sub group.

Resolved: The Committee approved the recommendations outlined in the YOT sub group report – scrutiny spotlight review.

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities - Sub Group Update

County Councillor Susie Charles provided the Committee with a verbal update on the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) sub group progress.

Resolved: The Committee noted that a further update will be provided to the January meeting and subsequently on a quarterly basis until the review is concluded.