

**To the Chair and Members of the  
SCHOOLS CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE’S OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY PANEL**

**Doncaster Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report**

| <b>Relevant Cabinet Member(s)</b>   | <b>Wards Affected</b> | <b>Key Decision</b> |
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| Councillor Nuala Fennelly<br>Cabinet Member for education and Skills and<br>Lead Member for Children’s Services<br><br>Councillor Tony Corden,<br>Cabinet Member for Children’s Safeguarding<br>and Services to Families and support to Lead<br>Member for Children’s Services) | All                   | None                |

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1. This report presents the Doncaster Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report.

**EXEMPT INFORMATION**

2. Not exempt

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

3. The Panel is asked to consider and comment on the Annual Report.

**BACKGROUND**

4. Roger Thompson the independent Chair of the Doncaster Safeguarding Children Board will provide an update and present the Board’s Annual Report, attached at appendix A.

5. 'Working Together to Safeguard Children', (guide to inter-agency working to safeguard and promote the welfare of Children), published in March 2013, requires the Chair of the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) to publish an Annual Report on the effectiveness of child safeguarding in the area served by the Board. The report outline details of the Board's activities but more importantly it provides an opportunity to deliver a statement about the position of safeguarding in Doncaster.

## **OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

6. There are no specific options to consider within this report as it provides an opportunity for the Panel to discuss the Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report.

## **IMPACT ON COUNCIL'S KEY OBJECTIVES**

|    | <b>Priority Outcome</b>   | <b>Implications of this initiative</b>   |
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| 1. | Doncaster's economy develops and thrives, underpinned by effective education and skills   | The Overview and Scrutiny function has the potential to impact upon all of the council's key objectives by holding decision makers to account, reviewing performance and developing policy through robust recommendations, monitoring performance of council and external partners services and reviewing issues outside the remit of the council that have an impact on the residents of the borough. |
| 2. | Children are safe   |  |
| 3. | Stronger families and stronger communities  |  |
| 4. | Modernised and sustainable Adult Social Care Services with increased choice and control   |  |
| 5. | Effective arrangements are in place to deliver a clean, safe and attractive local environment   |  |
| 6. | The Council is operating effectively, with change embedded and sustained with robust plans in place to operate within future resource allocations |  |

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

7. There are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

8. There are no specific financial implications arising from this report.

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### **Background Papers:**

Doncaster Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report – Attached.

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