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| <b>Report to:</b>        | <b>RESILIENT COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY<br/>COMMITTEE</b>                       |
| <b>Relevant Officer:</b> | David Sanders, Chairman of the Blackpool Children's<br>Safeguarding Board |
| <b>Date of Meeting</b>   | 17 March 2016   |

## **BLACKPOOL CHILDREN'S SAFEGUARDING BOARD: BUSINESS PLAN**

### **1.0 Purpose of the report:**

1.1 Blackpool Safeguarding Children Board is required to ensure that multi-agency arrangements to safeguard children are co-ordinated and effective. To this end it has agreed a two year business plan which is at the midway point. The Scrutiny Committee is invited to offer their views as to progress made and priorities for the year ahead.

### **2.0 Recommendation:**

2.1 That the business plan is reviewed and comment offered as to progress made during the 2015/016 business year and the need for any additional priorities or actions during the final year of the plan.

### **3.0 Reasons for recommendation:**

3.1 Blackpool Safeguarding Children Board will review progress against the plan and its priorities for the forthcoming year at its Strategic Board meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup> March and is keen to hear the views of the Scrutiny Committee beforehand.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

n/a

**4.0 Council Priority:**

4.1 The relevant Council Priority is “Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience.”

**5.0 Background Information**

5.1 Blackpool Safeguarding Children Board agreed its 2015 – 2017 Business Plan in March 2015. It is based on four key safeguarding priorities: child sexual exploitation, neglect, early help and the toxic trio, together with objectives related to the development of the Board.

5.2 The plan is reviewed on a bi-monthly basis by the Board’s Business Management Group and will also be reviewed by the full Strategic Board later this month.

5.3 It is intended that the plan will be refreshed for the 2016 – 17 business year to reflect progress made, challenges that have been encountered and changes to the safeguarding landscape in Blackpool in the past year. The central government review of LSCB may require further change in year.

Does the information submitted include any exempt information?

No

**List of Appendices:**

Appendix 10(a) BSCB 2015 – 17 Business Plan with updates

**6.0 Legal considerations:**

6.1 n/a

**7.0 Human Resources considerations:**

7.1 n/a

**8.0 Equalities considerations:**

8.1 n/a

**9.0 Financial considerations:**

9.1 n/a

**10.0 Risk management considerations:**

10.1 n/a

**11.0 Ethical considerations:**

11.1 n/a

**12.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:**

12.1 n/a

**13.0 Background papers:**

13.1 n/a