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| Report to: | CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE |
| Relevant Officer: | Victoria Gent, Director of Children's Services |
| Date of Meeting: | 30 June 2022 |

CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE IMPROVEMENT UPDATE

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To receive a verbal update on the number of children and young people who are re-referred back into the social care system following discharge.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 That the Committee consider the update and identify any areas for further scrutiny.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 To ensure ongoing scrutiny of the improvement to Children's Social Care services.

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

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

4.0 Other alternative options to be considered:

4.1 None.

5.0 Council priority:

5.1 The relevant Council priority is

- "Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience"

6.0 Background information

6.1 At its January 2022 meeting the Committee agreed that as part of its regular update on Children's Social Care (CSC) Improvement that a report should be brought back with details of on the number of children and young people who are re-referred back into the social care system following discharge. This was to allow scrutiny on the numbers re-entering CSC and the reasons for their occurrence.

6.2 Ms Victoria Gent, Director of Children’s Services, will be in attendance at the meeting and will provide a verbal update on this issue to the Committee.

6.3 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

7.0 List of Appendices:

7.1 None

8.0 Financial considerations:

8.1 None

9.0 Legal considerations:

9.1 None

10.0 Risk management considerations:

10.1 None

11.0 Equalities considerations:

11.1 None

12.0 Sustainability, climate change and environmental considerations:

12.1 None

13.0 Internal/external consultation undertaken:

13.1 None.

14.0 Background papers:

14.1 None.