

Report to: **CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE**

Relevant Officer: Vicky Gent, Director of Children's Services, Blackpool Council

Date of Meeting: 9 November 2023

CHILDREN'S SAFEGUARDING ASSURANCE PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider the Children's Safeguarding Assurance Partnership Annual Report to year end 31 March 2023.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To consider the contents of the report, provide challenge and identify any issues for further scrutiny.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 To allow Members of the Scrutiny Committee to be fully informed of the work of the Children's Safeguarding Assurance Partnership.

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 This is the annual report of the Children’s Safeguarding Assurance Partnership (CSAP), covering the period 1 October 2021 – 31 March 2023.
- 6.2 The annual report provides the CSAP with an opportunity to celebrate what has been achieved during the reporting period, reflect on what could have been done better and identify what can be done in future years.
- 6.3 The forthcoming year will be a period of change for the partnership, moving from Pan-Lancashire arrangements to place-based models and a briefing has been arranged for Members to receive additional information on the new arrangements on 21 November 2023.

6.4 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

7.0 List of Appendices:

7.1 Appendix 10(a) – Children's Safeguarding Assurance Partnership Annual Report

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 and the impact of this decision for our children and young people:

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