

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Slough Wellbeing Board **DATE:** 15th November 2017

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PART I

FOR INFORMATION

TERMS OF REFERENCE – EARLY HELP BOARD

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The Early Help Board (EHB) is a multi-agency forum, which held its inaugural meeting on 18 September 2017. At this meeting, Terms of Reference (ToR) were discussed and agreed, specifically that the EHB is accountable to the Slough Wellbeing Board (SWB) for escalation of partnership issues and reporting progress on implementation of the Early Help Strategy.

2. Recommendation(s)/Proposed Action

2.1 The Board is requested to note the report.

3. The Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy, the JSNA and the Five-Year Plan

3a Early Help is about providing proactive support as soon as a problem emerges, at any point in a child's life – from pre-birth, the foundation years through to teenage years. Early Help directly links to the Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy (SJWS) Priority "Protecting Vulnerable Children", Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA), and the Council's Five Year Plan Priority "Our children and young people will have the best start in life and opportunities to give them positive lives".

4. Other Implications

- (a) Financial – None
- (b) Risk Management – None
- (c) Human Rights Act and Other Legal Implications – None
- (d) Equalities Impact Assessment – None
- (e) Workforce – None

5. Supporting Information

5.1 Refer to Appendix (Terms of Reference – Early Help Board).

6. Comments of Other Committees

6.1 Not Applicable.

7. Conclusion

7.1 Committee is requested to note the Terms of Reference for the Early Help Board and the accountability of the EHB to the SWB in the context of escalation of partnership issues and reporting progress on implementation of the Early Help Strategy.

8. **Appendix**

8.1 Terms of Reference – Early Help Board

9. **Background Papers**

9.1 None.