

## **SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO:** Slough Wellbeing Board    **DATE:** 17th July 2019  
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### **PART I** **DISCUSSION**

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SAFEGUARDING EXECUTIVE**

##### 1. **Purpose of Report**

1.1 To review the work undertaken by the Slough Safeguarding Boards to align priorities and governance arrangements.

##### 2. **Recommendation(s)/Proposed Action**

2.1 The Board is recommended to:

- a) Discuss the recommendations from the Slough Safeguarding Boards;
- b) Consider these in the context of the Board's recent conversations about improving partnership working in Slough and the role it can play to lead this.

##### 3. **The Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy, the JSNA and the Council's Five Year Plan**

###### 3a. **Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy Priorities**

The Slough Wellbeing Strategy 2016-2020 was launched at the Board's partnership conference in September 2016. It explains the role of the Board and how it has set itself an ambition to set strategic direction for partnership working in Slough. The Strategy describes the relationship between the Board and the wider partnership network in Slough and how it hold the 'hold the ring', by coordinating activity to make the best use of resources in achieving common outcomes. The Wellbeing Strategy includes four priorities:

- 1. Protecting vulnerable children
- 2. Increasing life expectancy by focusing on inequalities
- 3. Improving mental health and wellbeing
- 4. Housing

###### 3b. **Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)**

The priorities in the Wellbeing Strategy are informed by evidence of need contained in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment.

### 3c. **Council's Five Year Plan Outcomes**

The work of the Board and the Wellbeing Strategy contributes to the five priority outcomes in the Council's Five Year Plan:

- Outcome 1: Slough children will grow up to be happy, healthy and successful
- Outcome 2: Our people will be healthier and manage their own care needs
- Outcome 3: Slough will be an attractive place where people choose to live, work and stay
- Outcome 4: Our residents will live in good quality homes
- Outcome 5: Slough will attract, retain and grow businesses and investment to provide opportunities for our residents

### 4. **Other Implications**

- (a) Financial – There are no financial implications directly resulting from the recommendations of this report.
- (b) Risk Management - There are no identified risks associated with the proposed actions.
- (c) Human Rights Act and Other Legal Implications - There are no direct legal implications. The specific activity in the Wellbeing Strategy and other plans may have legal implications which will be brought to the attention of the Council's Cabinet separately. There are no Human Rights Act Implications.
- (d) Equalities Impact Assessment - There is no requirement to complete an Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA) in relation to this report. EIAs will however be completed on individual aspects of any actions produced to sit underneath the Wellbeing Strategy, as required.

### 5. **Summary**

*This report refers to recent work undertaken by Slough's Safeguarding Boards to align priorities and governance – a presentation will be delivered at the meeting.*

*The Board agreed at its last meeting to ask the recently established Slough Safeguarding Executive Board to consider ways in which the Wellbeing Board can add further value as part of its work to review and strengthen partnership working.*

### 6. **Supporting Information**

- 6.1 Terms of Reference and membership of the Board were agreed at the last meeting on 8 May 2019.
- 6.2 The recently established Slough Safeguarding Executive Board (SSEB) brings together senior managers from the core agencies, Slough Borough Council, Thames Valley Police and the Clinical Commissioning Group to ensure common and coordinated approaches. Given the overlap in membership it is proposed that the SSEB be asked to consider the role of the Wellbeing Board and how it can add further value.

- 6.3 The issues the Safeguarding Boards have been considering reflect those of the Wellbeing Board. They have addressed the need to maintain strategic focus over operational detail; partner involvement; and developing more workshops to tackle agreed priorities instead of regular fixed meetings.

7. **Comments of Other Committees**

- 7.1 While not a Committee of the Council, the Health and Social Care Partnership Board will be engaged with next steps to strengthen partnership working in Slough.

8. **Conclusion and next steps**

- 8.1 Subject to the views of the Board the recommendations from the Slough Safeguarding Executive Board will be developed to improve the Board's governance arrangements.

9. **Appendices**

A – None

10. **Background Papers**

Safeguarding partnership arrangements and terms of reference

<https://www.sloughsafeguardingboards.org.uk/lscb/lscb/about-the-lscb/what-we-do-working-together-to-safeguard-children>