

Meeting: Council

Date: 22 September 2016

Wards Affected: All

Report Title: Establishment of a Children's Services Monitoring Working Party

Is the decision a key decision? No

When does the decision need to be implemented? As soon as possible

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1. Proposal and Introduction

1.1 To establish a Children's Services Monitoring Working Party.

2. Reason for Proposal

2.1 To formalise current informal arrangement to strengthen the governance of Children's Services monitoring arrangements by elected members.

3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision

3.1 That a Children's Services Monitoring Working Party be established comprising the Executive Lead for Adults and Children, plus 5 members (to be politically balanced) with terms of reference as follows:

- (i) to provide strategic political interface between elected members and the Director of Children's Services;
- (ii) to understand the key priorities for Children's Services;
- (iii) to be fully briefed on progress of improvements within Children's Services; and
- (iv) to understand the financial situation and plans for recovery of Children's Services.

Appendices

None

Background Documents

None