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# **LSCP B Yearly Report**

Children, Young People and Education Scrutiny  
Commission

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Education

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### Useful information

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## 1. Summary

The Children, Young People and Education Scrutiny Commission will receive, at their 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023 meeting, the Leicester Safeguarding Children Partnership Board (LSCPb) 2022/23 Yearly Report which will be presented by the LSCPb Independent Chair.

The 2022/23 LSCPb Yearly Report was [published](#) on the LSCPb website on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023.

## 2. Recommended actions

The Children, Young People and Education Scrutiny Commission is invited to:

- Comment on how effective the LSCPb Yearly Report has been in setting out what safeguarding partners have done as a result of local arrangements, and to seek any further clarification needed on any areas.

## 3. Detailed report

The [Children and Social Work Act 2017](#) abolished Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs) and replaced them with 'local arrangements'. This means that safeguarding partners (the local authority, integrated care board (health) and chief officer of police) must make arrangements to work together to safeguard and promote the welfare of children in Leicester.

Statutory guidance ([Working Together 2018](#), para. 41) notes that *'In order to bring transparency for children, families and all practitioners about the activity undertaken, the safeguarding partners must publish a report at least once in every 12-month period. The report must set out what they have done as a result of the arrangements, including on child safeguarding practice reviews, and how effective these arrangements have been in practice.'*

The LSCPb Yearly Report presented to the Children, Young People and Education Scrutiny Commission provides an overview of work undertaken by the LSCPb including

- Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews
- Multi-Agency Safeguarding Procedures
- Multi-Agency Training
- Multi-Agency Audits and Assurance

It also outlines how the LSCPb priorities were met during 2022/23 business year and provides an overview of the priorities for 2023-25.

## **6. Financial, legal, equalities, climate emergency and other implications**

### 6.1 Financial implications

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report, as the report is providing updates on work completed by the LSCPb with no major changes proposed.

### 6.2 Legal implications

The relevant statutory requirements for the Safeguarding Partners to publish a report are stipulated within Working Together 2018 Chapter 3, paragraphs 41-46. There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

Pretty Patel, Head of Law, Social Care & Safeguarding 0116 454 1457

### 6.3 Equalities implications

Under the Equality Act 2010, public authorities have a Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) which means that, in carrying out their functions, they have a statutory duty to pay due regard to the need to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by the Act, to advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who don't and to foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who don't.

Protected Characteristics under the Equality Act 2010 are age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

The report looks at the LSCPb yearly report and how effective it has been in setting out what safeguarding partners have done as a result of local arrangements. The report will have an impact on children and young people from across a range of protected characteristics. The yearly report has focussed on a number of areas with priorities for 2023-25 including child mental health, emotional wellbeing and safeguarding and safeguarding children from diverse backgrounds. Going forward we need to ensure equality considerations continue to be a central theme for the board and any issues identified are addressed appropriately with relevant mitigating actions put in place.

Sukhi Biring, Equalities Officer, 454 4175

### 6.4 Climate Change and Carbon Reduction implications

There are limited climate emergency implications directly associated with this report.