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| REPORT FOR: | HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD | |
| Date of Meeting: | 24.11.20 | |
| Subject: | Harrow Safeguarding Partners’ Safeguarding Children Annual Report | |
| Responsible Officer: | Produced on behalf of the Safeguarding Partners and presented by the Independent Chair of HSCB, Chris Miller | |
| Public: | Yes | |
| Wards affected: | Not applicable | |
| Enclosures: | Annual Report | |

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| Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations |
| This is the first annual report compiled by the Harrow Statutory Safeguarding Partners (the Partners) following legal changes to the arrangements for safeguarding children which took effect in June 2019. Previously the HSCB was required to publish and share its annual report with specified bodies and persons – one of which was the Health and Wellbeing Board. The new arrangements require the Partners to produce an annual report which is then disseminated widely. The report is to describe the activities of the Partners and the effectiveness of the partnership arrangements. This presentation of the report concludes the HSCB’s role in this respect.Recommendations: This Annual report does not make recommendations, but it is shared to disseminate information about the Partner’s arrangements and their effectiveness. |

# Section 2 – Report

**Ward Councillors’ comments**

## Financial Implications/Comments

The Harrow Safeguarding Partnership budget is included in the appendices of the annual report. There are no financial implications arising as a result of this report.

**Legal Implications/Comments**

None

## Risk Management Implications

None

## Equalities implications / Public Sector Equality Duty

None – The Statutory Safeguarding Partnership set of arrangements is not a separate public body

## Council Priorities - The Partners work to agreed multi-agency priorities and this report describes how they work together to help children thrive and to keep them safe from harm

Please identify how the decision sought delivers these priorities.

1. **Building a Better Harrow**

* Create a thriving modern, inclusive and vibrant Harrow that people can be proud to call home
* Increase the supply of genuinely affordable and quality housing for Harrow residents
* Ensure every Harrow child has a school place
* Keep Harrow clean
* More people are actively engaged in sporting, artistic and cultural activities in ways that improve physical and mental health and community cohesion

1. **Supporting Those Most in Need**

* Reduce levels of homelessness in the borough
* Empower residents to maintain their well-being and independence
* Children and young people are given the opportunities to have the best start in life and families can thrive
* Reduce the gap in life expectancy in the borough

1. **Protecting Vital Public Services**

* Harrow has a transport infrastructure that supports economic growth, improves accessibility and supports healthy lifestyles
* Healthcare services meet the needs of Harrow residents
* Everyone has access to high quality education
* A strong and resourceful community sector, able to come together to deal with local issues
* Harrow continues to be one of the safest boroughs in London

1. **Delivering a Strong local Economy for All**

* A strong, vibrant local economy where local businesses and thrive and grow
* Reduce levels of in-work poverty and improve people’s job opportunities
* Harrow is a place where people and businesses invest

1. **Modernising Harrow Council**

* Deliver excellent value for money services
* Reduce the borough’s carbon footprint
* Use technology and innovation to modernise how the Council works
* Improving access to digital services

 Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance (Council and Joint Reports)

[Note: If the report is for information only, it is the author’s responsibility to decide whether legal and / or financial / Corporate Director clearances are necessary.  If not, the report can be submitted without these consents.]

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| Name: Jo Frost |  |  | Chief Financial Officer | |
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| Name: Sharon Clarke |  |  | | on behalf of Monitoring Officer | |
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| Name: Paul Hewitt |  |  | Corporate Director |
| Date: 20/11/2020 |  |  |  |

# Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

**Contact:** Coral McGookin, Business Manager, Harrow Safeguarding Children Board / Safeguarding Partnership

**Background Papers**: N/A