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Safeguarding Sub Committee Community and Children Services	08/02/2019 08/03/2019
Subject: CHSCB Annual Report 2017/18	Public (the main CHSCB report is currently embargoed)
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Summary

The City & Hackney Safeguarding Board (CHSCB) annual report for 2017/18 is a transparent assessment on the effectiveness of safeguarding and the promotion of child welfare across the City of London and the London Borough of Hackney.

- The report describes the **governance and accountability** arrangements for the CHSCB, outlining the structures in place that support the CHSCB to do its work effectively.
- It sets the **context for safeguarding children and young people** in the City of London, highlighting the **progress made by the City partnership** and the challenges going forward.
- It sets out the lessons that the CHSCB has identified through its **Learning & Improvement Framework** and the actions taken to improve child safeguarding.
- The report also describes the range and impact of the **multi-agency safeguarding training** delivered by the CHSCB and a brief account of the single agency training delivered by partners.
- It sets out the **priorities going forward** and the **key messages** from the Independent Chair of the CHSCB to key people involved in the safeguarding of children and young people.

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

- Note the draft report which remains embargoed until the final version is formatted and published on the CHSCB website. *NB this is a very large document and will be circulated to Members separately.*

Background

The publication of an annual report by the CHSCB is a requirement set out in the statutory guidance Working Together 2015.

Its purpose is to provide a transparent account of the strength and weaknesses of local child safeguarding practice – as determined by the Independent Chair and the Board itself.

The report sets the context for child safeguarding activity over 2017/18. It builds on the positive findings set out by Ofsted through its inspection of the City of London Corporation and the CHSCB in the preceeding year.

The final report is being formatted, with copies likley to be available prior to the Safeguarding Sub Committee meeting scheduled for 5 February 2018. Previous versions are available:

[2016/17](#)

[2015/16](#)

[2014/15](#)

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