

## **FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO:** SOCIAL & HEALTH CARE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

**DATE:** THURSDAY, 24 JANUARY 2013

**REPORT BY:** DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

**SUBJECT:** SAFEGUARDING AND CHILD PROTECTION (JOINT REPORT FROM SAFEGUARDING UNIT )

### **1.00 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.01 To provide Members with information in relation to Child Protection and Safeguarding within the county boundaries.

### **2.00 BACKGROUND**

2.01 In line with the County Council's strategy for developing a systematic Performance Management Framework, Social Services for Children routinely collate safeguarding activity for children in need and those children whose names are included on Flintshire's Child Protection Register.

### **3.00 CONSIDERATIONS**

3.01 This report informs Members of key statistical and performance related information about children for whom the Authority has significant safeguarding responsibilities.

3.02 This report covers the period from 1 October 2011 to 30 September 2012.

3.03 Management and performance data and commentary about safeguarding are presented as Appendix 1.0.

3.04 Reports analysing child protection case conference feedback are presented as Appendix 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3.

3.05 Reports analysing staff availability and unmet need are presented as Appendices 3.1 and 3.2.

### **4.00 RECOMMENDATIONS**

4.01 That Members accept this report as information in relation to Child Protection and Safeguarding for the period 1 October 2011 to 30

September 2012.

**5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.01 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

**6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT**

6.01 Services to children in need are effectively managed to ensure that the needs of vulnerable children are appropriately met.

**7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

7.01 No direct impact.

**8.00 EQUALITIES IMPACT**

8.01 The provision of targeted services for children in need and their families contributes to the safeguarding and welfare of vulnerable children.

**9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

9.01 None

**10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED**

10.01 None

**11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN**

11.01 None

**12.00 APPENDICES**

12.01 1.0 Statistical and performance related information about children for whom the Authority has significant safeguarding responsibilities.

2.1 Child Protection Case Conference feedback analysis October 2011 to March 2012.

2.2 Child Protection Case Conference feedback analysis (Child/Young Person) April 2012 to September 2012.

3.1 Staff Availability Report.

3.2 Unmet Need Report.

**BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985**

Social Services for Children Quarterly Performance Reports

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