

**SAFEGUARDING PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT**

Report of the Director of Children's Services

**1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 The report gives an overview of partnership activity in the children and adult safeguarding partnerships. The focus of the report is on the business plan priorities and progress made in 2022-2023

**2. INFORMATION**

- 2.1 The key messages from the report are:-

- Ensuring we have increased awareness of equality, diversity and inclusion issues affecting the people of Stockport. This includes developing robust strategies to address issues as a result of our changing population.
- Making sure our business plan objectives are delivered through strengthened monitoring arrangements and the right support from our multi-agency governance structure.
- Developing our scrutiny and assurance of multi-agency performance data to make sure both Partnerships have the right information to seek assurance and identify appropriate areas for development.
- Making sure that we hear the voice and lived experience of all children, adults and families who access safeguarding services in Stockport.
- Having full and meaningful attendance and engagement at all of our Safeguarding Partnership meetings by all partner agencies.
- Make sure that we consider the impact of our work as a Partnership on the people of Stockport.
- Maintaining strong and supportive links with other partnerships, including the One Stockport Safety Partnership, ensuring we collaborate instead of duplicate in our work.

**3. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 The Scrutiny Committee is recommended to comment on and note the report.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

There are none

Anyone wishing to inspect the above background papers or requiring further information should contact Katie Bates on 0161 474 6828 or by email on [katie.bates@stockport.gov.uk](mailto:katie.bates@stockport.gov.uk)