

**From: Kent Safeguarding Children Multiagency Partnership (KSCMP)**  
**To: Children's and Young People's Cabinet Committee – 11 January 2022**  
**Subject: KSCMP Annual Report 2020-2021**  
**Classification: Unrestricted**

**Past Pathway of report: N/A**

**Future Pathway of report: N/A**

**Electoral Division: ALL**

**Summary:** In September 2019 the Kent Safeguarding Children Multi-Agency Partnership arrangements commenced, replacing the previous Safeguarding Children Board. The Partnership is led by the Executive Board which is made up of the three safeguarding partners, as defined in 'Working Together 2018' – Kent County Council, Kent and Medway Clinical Commissioning Group and Kent Police. KCC's Executive Board member is the Corporate Director for Children, Young People and Education. The Partnership Scrutiny and Challenge Group, which leads the system of challenge and holding partners to account, is chaired by the KCC Cabinet Member for Integrated Children's Services.

**Recommendation(s):**

The Children's, Young People and Education Cabinet Committee is asked to note and comment the KSCMP Annual Report 2020-2021

**1. Introduction**

1.1 This paper summarises the requirements of and approach taken to the KSCMP Annual Report 2020-2021.

**2. Context**

2.1 Working Together 2018 requires that Safeguarding Children's Partnerships produce an annual report which covers;

- I. What has happened on local partnership arrangements, how effective they have been, and any updates to the published arrangements in this year, with proposed timescale for implementation.
- II. Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews, including recording decisions and actions from recommendations of practice reviews and resulting improvements.

- III. Evidence on impact on outcomes for children and families from early help to looked-after children.
- IV. Analysis of areas where there is little or no evidence of progress on priorities.
- V. Ways in which partners have sought and utilised feedback from children and families to inform local activity.
- VI. In the writing of the annual report consideration has been given to the Analysis of Safeguarding Partners annual reports published on behalf of the National Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel in May 2021. For the KSCMP report we have aimed to keep the report succinct, focusing on key areas of activity and learning.

### **3. Key Points**

- 3.1 The KSCMP Annual Report was agreed by the KSCMP Executive Board on 2nd December 2021.
- 3.2 The report includes an overview of the key activities undertaken during the period September 2020 to September 2021, alongside ambitions for the next 12 months. It also includes an evaluation from the KSCMP Independent Scrutineer.
- 3.3 The report particularly highlights several key pieces of work:
  - I. KSCMP Architecture Review
  - II. KSCMP Practice Review Project
  - III. KSCMP Education Project
  - IV. Non-Accidental Injury in Under Ones Deep Dive Study.

### **4 NEXT STEPS**

- 4.1 The report is presented for the information of the KCC CYPE Cabinet Committee.
- 4.2 The report will be published on the KSCMP website before the end of January 2022.

### **5 Recommendation(s)**

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### **10. Background Documents**

None

### **11. Contact details**

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