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To: Cabinet Scrutiny Committee – 8 December 2010

Subject: Inspection of Safeguarding and Looked After Children Services

(Cabinet Decision)

Background

(1) Members would like more information on the Inspection of Safeguarding and Looked After Children Services, including why the risk of the judgement had not been identified earlier.

(2) The Cabinet report and appendix are attached for Members' information, along with a copy of the Ofsted report and the Ofsted grade criteria and inspection framework. Comparative data on the Ofsted judgements of other councils is being collated and will follow shortly.

Guests

(1) Mrs S Hohler, Cabinet Member, Children, Families and Education, and Ms R Turner, Managing Director, Children, Families and Education have been invited to attend the meeting between 9.40am and 10.25am to answer Members' questions on this item.

Options for the Cabinet Scrutiny Committee

- (1) The Cabinet Scrutiny Committee may:
 - (a) make no comments
 - (b) express comments but not require reconsideration of the decision
 - (c) require implementation of the decision to be postponed pending reconsideration of the matter in the light of the Committee's comments by whoever took the decision or
 - (d) require implementation of the decision to be postponed pending consideration of the matter by the full Council.

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