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To: Children's, Young People and Education Cabinet Committee
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Subject: **OFSTED PRACTICE DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

Classification: Unrestricted

Electoral Divisions: All

Summary: Kent County Council's services for children in need of help and protection, children looked after and care leavers were inspected over the course of March 2017. A series of ten recommendations were made in the report and a Practice Development Plan has been compiled to show how the Council is responding to them

Recommendation(s): Members of the Children's, Young People and Education Cabinet Committee are asked to **NOTE** the contents of the Practice Development Plan.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 In accordance with the Ofsted Single Inspection Framework Evaluation Schedule, every Local Authority must produce an action plan of how it intends to respond to the recommendations raised in the report. This applies regardless of the judgement that Authorities receive. The local authority must send a copy of their plans for development, in line with recommendations, within 70 working days of receiving their final report.
- 1.2 An Ofsted Practice Development Plan (attached as appendix 1) has accordingly been compiled to address actions arising from the ten recommendations made in the Ofsted report, together with other issues identified over the course of the inspection. This includes details of arrangements for monitoring progress against the agreed actions.
- 1.3 Following discussion with the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Education, a draft copy of the Practice Development Plan has been submitted to Ofsted for comment.

2. Recommendations

2.1 Recommendation: Members of the Children's, Young People and Education Cabinet Committee are asked to **NOTE** the contents of the Practice Development Plan.

3. Background Documents

None

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