

MINUTE EXTRACT

POLICY AND PERFORMANCE - FAMILIES AND WELLBEING COMMITTEE (19 JANUARY 2016)

44 SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN SCRUTINY REVIEW

The Committee considered the report of the Members of the Safeguarding Children Task & Finish Group providing background information regarding the Final Report.

The Chair and Members of the Panel expressed their thanks to all those who had assisted the review by so readily giving their time, experience and suggestions in particular Alan Veitch, Scrutiny Support Officer and Simon Garner, Corporate Safeguarding Manager. The Chair gave her personal thanks to the members of the Panel who had also given up their time and had made an excellent contribution to the review and the Final Report.

The Final Report, 'safeguarding Children in Wirral' was attached as an appendix to the report.

The Members echoed the Chair in thanking those officers who worked tirelessly to keep Wirral's children safe.

A Member commented that in relation to Recommendation 9 detailed within the report she felt it was important that Special Guardians undertook the same robust training that was given to foster carers and adoptive parents.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the contents and recommendations of the Safeguarding Children in Wirral Scrutiny Review be noted.**
- (2) the Safeguarding Children in Wirral Scrutiny Report be referred to the next appropriate Cabinet meeting;**
- (3) an update report regarding the progress being made towards the implementation of the recommendations be presented to this Committee in six months' time; and**
- (4) Alan Veitch, Scrutiny Support Officer and Simon Garner, Corporate Safeguarding Manager be thanked for all their support and guidance in completing the review.**