CHILDREN EDUCATION AND SKILLS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

JOINT TARGETED AREA INSPECTION (JTAI) OF THE MULTI-AGENCY RESPONSE TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WHO NEED HELP

1. **Purpose of the Report**

1.1 To report on the progress being made following the Joint Targeted Area inspection (JTAI) of the multi-agency response to children and families who need help.

2. Background

- 2.1 In January 2023, a Joint Targeted Area inspection (JTAI) of the multi-agency response to children and families who need help was carried out by inspectors from Ofsted, the Care Quality Commission (CQC) and His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS).
- 2.2 A report setting out the findings of the inspection was published in March 2023.
- 2.3 In response to the findings of the inspection, an action plan has been developed. A copy of the inspection letter and the action plan are attached as an appendix.

3. Current Position

- 3.1 Karen Davison (Director of Early Help) will be in attendance to report on the outcome and progress made since the inspection.
- 3.2 It is noted that this was a partnership inspection and the Committee may wish to consider inviting other partners for any future updates.

4. Recommendations

4.1 The Scrutiny Committee is requested to consider and comment on the report.

5 Background Papers

Letter Regarding Joint Targeted Area inspection (JTAI) of the multi-agency response to children and families who need help.