

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

**SUNDERLAND SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN LEARNING AND IMPROVEMENT
PLAN 2018**

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To receive a report on the on the Sunderland Safeguarding Children Learning and Improvement Plan 2018.

2. Background

- 2.1 A Learning and Improvement Plan has developed in response to the areas of improvement highlighted by the recent Ofsted Inspection Report (July 2018). A copy of the Plan is attached as an appendix.
- 2.2 The Learning and Improvement Plan has been developed around 15 key priorities for improvement. Specific actions to achieve improved outcomes for children and young people are set out under each of the recommendations. Each action includes the timescales by which the improvement should be delivered alongside a lead. For each recommendation there is a clear indication of how success will be measured and evidenced. Progress against each action will be RAG-rated.
- 2.3 The Learning and Improvement Plan will be overseen by the Quality and Improvement Committee, a sub group to the TfC board. The Committee will meet bi-monthly and will monitor the delivery of actions and success measures to demonstrate improvement to the Department for Education, the Council and the wider community. The Committee will be chaired by the TfC Board Chair. Monitoring updates will be provided to the Children, Education & Skills Scrutiny Committee as part of the 2018/19 work programme

3. Progress on priorities of the Learning and Improvement Plan

- 3.1 Jill Colbert (Chief Executive - Sunderland Director of Children Services) will be in attendance to introduce and answer questions on the Improvement Plan.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 The Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the Improvement Plan.