

		AGENDA ITEM 4
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<p><b><u>Update on the work of the Essex Safeguarding Children Board</u></b></p> <p><u>Purpose/action required:</u></p> <p>Members may wish to consider:</p> <p>The assurance from and robustness of new governance arrangements resulting from the new statutory guidance.</p> <p>The assurance from the work undertaken by the Board in the past year and future priorities and objectives for children’s safeguarding in Essex.</p> <p>Issues arising and any further work to be scoped</p> <p><u>Background:</u></p> <p>The committee has agreed to review the work of the Essex Safeguarding Children Board on an annual basis and last did this in September 2018 (extract copy of the minutes attached in <b>Appendix 1</b>).</p> <p>An overview of the recently published annual report for the Board is attached as <b>Appendix 2</b> with the full ESCB Annual Report 2018-19 attached as <b>Appendix 3</b>. New statutory guidance has removed the statutory framework for local safeguarding children boards. The guidance stipulates three statutory local partners (Upper Tier Council, Police and Health) who will determine the local governance structure in future for safeguarding children. Within the overview report in Appendix 2 is a summary of the new statutory guidance. The proposed new Essex Multi-Agency Safeguarding Arrangements arising from the new guidance is attached as <b>Appendix 4</b>. To support discussion on the new governance arrangements representatives from the NHS and the Police will also be in attendance.</p> <p>cont...</p>		

Background reading:

Healthwatch Essex have recommended reading their recent Sweet!2 and Sweet!3 reports which involved a detailed consultation of young people's experiences of health and social care in Essex (links below).

<https://healthwatchessex.org.uk/library/#gallery-9> and

<https://healthwatchessex.org.uk/library/#gallery-1>

