

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
PEOPLE IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**25 September 2015**

**Report of the Vice Chair of People Improvement and Scrutiny Committee**

**CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION: UPDATE ON PROGRESS**

**1. Purpose of the report**

To update the Committee on the progress of the working group's review of child sexual exploitation (CSE).

**2. Information**

The review of how the authority is working to deter child sexual exploitation was agreed by the Committee on 1 July 2015 and it to be undertaking by the standing safeguarding working group. Lines of inquiry have been established which will encompass service provision (including with victims), partnership working, youth consultation and risk assessment.

Members have held an initial meeting with senior officers who provided an overview of how the authority works to respond to CSE. Members have also been briefed on the CSE strategy and action plan. A summary of the current and historic international research and practice and associated recommendations has also been produced.

Evidence gathering sessions have been arranged with officers and partners, including the police, organisations that support victims and CSE training providers. A full consultation plan has been developed to understand the views and awareness of young people, parent/carers and organisations that support CSE victims and their families.

**3. Considerations (to be specified individually where appropriate)**

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: financial, legal, prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, human resources, environmental, health, property and transport considerations.

#### **4. Recommendation**

That the Committee notes the progress made in the review of CSE.

**Councillor John Frudd**

**Vice-Chair of the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee – People**