

MEETING TITLE AND DATE

Health and Wellbeing Board

05/10/16

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN'S BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

Purpose of Report

The ESCB annual report is for information, it is going to Cabinet on 19th October 2016 and then to Council. It is a statutory requirement that the ESCB publish a report of its activities on an annual basis

Executive Summary

This report summarises the work undertaken by the ESCB from April 1st 2015 to March 31st 2016. A key role of the ESCB is communication and holding all agencies to account in relation to making continuous improvements. 2015/16 has been a very productive year for the ESCB ensuring there is an effective response to safeguarding concerns with good systems and structures in place across the partnership. The commitment to workforce development remains strong with the development of a comprehensive learning and development programme and a clear performance management framework in place.

There have been many achievements that the Board is proud of but still much to do. The annual report charts the progress made in relation to Child Sexual Exploitation, Female Genital Mutilation as well as tackling the growing concerns of increased radicalisation and many other safeguarding issues. The economic situation and organisational change affecting public services in Enfield and across the country continues to be a challenge for the Board.