

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
Item No

Report of Deputy Chief Executive (People)

to
Cabinet
on
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The Journey of the Child July 2019

People Scrutiny Committee
Cabinet Member: Councillor Anne Jones
Part 1 (Public Agenda Item)

1. Purpose of Report

To present the "The Journey of the Child" end of year report covering 2018/19 financial year.

2. Recommendations

That Cabinet agrees the end of year report following previous agreement to a consolidated approach to Children's Services reporting.

3. Background

The number of reports presented through the cabinet cycle has increased over recent years. These are presented in isolation and do not show the overall activity and impact outcomes for the whole service.

In 2017 this new format of reporting was agreed. This report consolidates fully several reports including the Adoption and Fostering Annual Reports, Private Fostering Report and Marigold Assessment Plus and summarises others.

4. Other Options

To continue reporting with individual reports through the cabinet cycle.

5. Reasons for Recommendations

This overarching report allows for a more holistic oversight of service delivery and gives senior managers and members an ability to see the overall impact for the Council of the work of the children's service.

6. Corporate Implications

6.1 Contribution to the Southend 2050 Road Map

This report allows better oversight by members of activity, impact and outcomes in improving outcomes for our children and families in Southend

6.2 Financial Implications

None

6.3 Legal Implications

None

6.4 People Implications

None

6.5 Property Implications

None

6.6 Consultation

None

6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

None

6.8 Risk Assessment

None

6.9 Value for Money

None

6.10 Community Safety Implications

None

6.11 Environmental Impact

None

7. Background Papers

None

8. Appendices

App !: The Journey of the Child Annual Report” July 2019