

Cabinet – 9th March 2006.

Addendum to Agenda Item 4 - Establishment of Warwickshire's Safeguarding Children Board:

The Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership Board considered the establishment of the Safeguarding Children Board on 3rd March. Following some discussion the meeting endorsed the establishment of the Board in accordance with the Children Act 2004.

The meeting further endorsed the recommendation tabled before them that the appointment of the Chair of the Board be delegated by the County Council to the Strategic Director for Children Young People and Families.

The Strategic Partnership Board went on to make a number of recommendations for consideration by Cabinet, namely, that the Warwickshire Safeguarding Children Board provide an annual report to the Strategic Partnership Board (or its successor) and that the Safeguarding Children Board cooperates with the County Council's Scrutiny arrangements. It is possible for these to be incorporated in the Constitution or simply for them to be agreed by the Safeguarding Board with the reporting arrangements added into the annual work programme. It should be noted that the Safeguarding Children Board will be a stand alone statutory body and is not a sub-committee of any other organisation.

Cabinet is therefore recommended to make the additional further resolution:

That the appointment of the Chair of the Warwickshire Safeguarding Children Board be delegated to Marion Davis

And to consider making the following resolution:

The Warwickshire Safeguarding Children Board's Constitution be amended in consultation with its member agencies to include requirements that the Board provides a report to the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership Board annually and cooperates with the County Council's own Scrutiny arrangements.

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