

# **Briefing note**

To Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2)

Date 6th September 2018

Subject: Serious Case Review - Baby F

## 1 Purpose of the Note

1.1 The purpose of this note is to update scrutiny board on the outcome of the serious case review (SCR) published by the Coventry Safeguarding Children' Board on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

#### 2 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2) are recommended to:
  - 1) Note the recommendations and progress made arising from this report, as shown in Appendix 1,2 and 3.
  - 2) Identify any recommendation for the Cabinet Member

### 3 Information/Background

- 3.1 The primary aim of a SCR is to help agencies learn lessons from these events, and to use this experience to improve practice.
- 3.2 Following the referral to the Independent Chair of Coventry Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) it was agreed this case should be the subject of a Serious Case Review in October 2015.
- 3.3 Each agency may make recommendations to support improvements in practice within their organisation. The on-going implementation and monitoring of these actions is the responsibility of the individual agency. Evidence of progress is regularly provided for the LCSB. This process enables the LSCB to fulfil its responsibility for monitoring progress, and to be assured that these recommendations have been delivered in practice.
- 3.4 Recommendations that are multi-agency are the responsibility of the LSCB, and an Implementation Assurance Report is included.
- 3.5 The Serious Case Review recommendations were agreed in 24th May 2016. Progress on recommendations since then can be found detailed in Appendix 3. The delay in publication between identification of the recommendations and publication is due to the associated criminal proceedings.

## **Appendices**

- 1 Finding and recommendations report
- 2 Full SCR report
- 3 Implementation assurance report

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