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REPORT TO: CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES COMMITTEE ON

9 NOVEMBER 2016

SUBJECT: MORAY CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

2016

BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR (EDUCATION AND SOCIAL CARE)

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 The Committee is invited to scrutinise and note the Moray Child Protection Committee Annual Report 2016.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section III (C) (2) of the Councils Scheme of Administration relating to all the functions of the Council as Social Work Authority within the terms of relevant legislation with regard to child support and protection, and to determine the Council's policies in regard thereto.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 It is recommended that Committee scrutinises and notes the content of the Moray Child Protection Annual Report 2016.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Following consultation processes the Moray Child Protection Committee (MCPC) produced its Annual Report for 2016. This report was agreed by MCPC on 27 September 2016. The report looks back at the previous 12 months and details the progress before planning ahead for 2017 and beyond.
- 3.2 The report covers the Learning Review and CPC development day held on 24 November 2015. CPC Performance Management information is included, although this has recently been subject to review. A key area covering the reintroduction of the Locality Management Groups (LMGs) model is covered in detail. This sets out how we will use LMGs to improve community relationships and ultimately improve outcomes for children and young people.
- 3.3 The report also includes updates on the Moray Learning and Development Group (MLDG), GIRFEC groups, policies and procedures, and our engagement with children, young people, and their families. The Moray Child Protection Committee Annual Report 2016 is attached at **Appendix A.**

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4 SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Moray 2026: A Plan for the Future and Moray Corporate Plan 2015 – 2017

This report is in line with Moray 2026 Plan – healthier citizens, ambitious and confident young people, adults living healthier, sustainable independent lives safeguarded from harm and Council priority 4 – More of our children have a better start in life and are ready to succeed.

(b) Policy and Legal

The National Guidance for Child Protection in Scotland requires Child Protection Committees to produce Annual Reports and ensure that relevant local forums are kept informed.

(c) Financial implications

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

(d) Risk Implications

There are no risk implications associated with or arising from this report.

(e) Staffing Implications

There are no staffing implications associated with or arising from this report.

(f) Property

There are no property implications arising from this report.

(g) Equalities

There are no equality issues arising from this report.

(h) Consultations

Senior Management Team Education and Social Care, Grant Cruickshank, Human Resources Manager, Deborah Brands, Principal Accountant, Alasdair McEachan, Head of Legal and Democratic Services, Jeanette Netherwood, Business Continuity Officer, Don Toonen, Equal Opportunities Officer and Caroline Howie, Committee Services Officer have been consulted in the preparation of this report and are in agreement with the content relating to their areas of responsibility.

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 This report updates Committee on the Moray Child Protection Committee Annual Report 2016.

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Background Papers: None Ref: