

NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

SCRUTINY PANEL 1- CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION (CSE)

7 JULY 2016

BRIEFING NOTE: POTENTIAL SITE VISITS

1 Introduction

1.1 The Scrutiny Panel, at its inaugural scoping meeting, agreed that there was a need for a site visit to take place to the RISE Team, Northampton and to the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH).

2 Information

2.1 Desktop research will be undertaken regarding best practice initiatives both in Northampton and external to the town. A briefing note detailing the findings will be presented to a future meeting of the Scrutiny Panel.

3 Site visit proposal

- 3.1 It is also proposed that representatives of the Scrutiny Panel observe a future RISE Team Case Management meeting and report back their findings to a future meeting of the Scrutiny Panel. It is suggested that two members of the Scrutiny Panel attend. The findings of which will inform the evidence base of this Scrutiny Review.
- 3.2 It is further proposed that representatives of the Scrutiny Panel visit MASH. Contact would be made with the MASH Service Manager, to ascertain the most appropriate approach for a visit. It is suggested that two members of the Scrutiny Panel attend and report back their findings to a future meeting of the Scrutiny Panel.

4 Recommendations

- 4.1 That two representatives of the Scrutiny Panel observe a Meeting of RISE .
- 4.2 That two representatives of the Scrutiny Panel visit the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH).
- 4.3 That a report back on the findings of the site visits is presented to a future meeting of this Scrutiny Panel.
- 4.4 That a report back on the findings of the desktop research is presented to a future meeting of this Scrutiny Panel.
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