

SCRUTINY ADVISORY BOARD – CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Meeting date: 23 September 2019

From: Executive Director People

OFSTED TARGETED VISIT

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To provide the Board with a presentation on the outcome of Ofsted's focused visit to Cumbria in August 2019.

2.0 Issues for Scrutiny

- 2.1 To note the presentation.
- 2.2 To seek assurances around action to address the recommendations.
- 2.3 To consider any recommendations to the Corporate Parenting Board.

3.0 Background

- 3.1 In August 2019, Ofsted carried out a two day focused visit. Inspectors looked at the local authority's arrangements for the front door. They also considered the effectiveness of strategy discussions and child protection enquiries, the quality of assessments and early help plans, thresholds for the transfer of work to early help services and the response to 16-17-year-olds who present as homeless.
- 3.2 As it was a focused visit, Ofsted do not give an overall grading, but produce a letter to the authority providing an overview of the findings and identifying areas for improvement.

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Appendices

Previous Relevant Council or Executive Decisions [including Local Committees]

No background.

Background Papers

No background papers.

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