

REPORT TO: Children and Young People Policy and Performance Board

DATE: 10 June 2019

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director, People

PORTFOLIO: Children, Education and Social Care

SUBJECT: Presentation on the Neglect Strategy 2017-2019

WARD: Borough-wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To inform members about the impact of the Neglect Strategy 2017-2019 and the next steps in responding to the impact of neglect on children and families.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That

2.1 That members note the presentation.

3.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Exposure to be neglect can have an adverse impact on a child's physical health, emotional and mental health and well-being, education and employment prospects and increase their vulnerability to risks outside of the family home environment

4.0 FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Children who have been impacted by neglect may have additional and complex needs which mean they require additional support in any setting, access to specialist support and sometimes they enter the care of the local authority

5.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

5.1 Children & Young People in Halton

Children and Young People are a priority for the council as we have statutory duties and responsibilities to them to ensure that we support them to reach their potential and that any risks to them are identified and responded to as early as possible to mitigate any longer-term impact.

5.2 Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton
N/A

5.3 **A Healthy Halton**
N/A

5.4 **A Safer Halton**
N/A

5.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**
N/A

6.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

6.1 Children and young people exposed to neglect can be exposed to significant harm

7.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

7.1 All children, regardless of their background and family context, can be exposed to neglect

8.0 **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

8.1 None under the meaning of the Act.