

**Health and Care Scrutiny Committee**  
**31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

<b>Report Title:</b>	Wales Audit Office Safeguarding Audit Report, December 2022, and Service Response / Action Plan
<b>Lead Officer:</b>	Nina Davies, Interim Director of Social Services and Housing

**Key Issues in the report highlighted by Lead Officer**

Wales Audit Office Report published 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 following completion of Safeguarding Audit summer 2022.

Action Plan by way of Service response to the outcomes of that Audit, including updates against progress up to end February 2023.

**Key Feeders (tick all that apply)**

Strategic Risk		Cabinet Work Plan	
Director / Head of Service Key Issue		External / Internal Inspection	X
Existing Commitment / Annual Report		Performance / Finance Issue	
Suggestion from Public		Referral from Council / Committee	
Corporate Improvement Plan		Impacting Public / other services	
Service Integrated Business Plan			
Suggestion from Members			
Partnerships			

**Scrutiny Impact (tick all that apply)**

Policy Review		Performance	X
Informing Policy Development		Evidence Gathering	
Risk		Corporate Improvement Plan	
Service Integrated Business Plan		Partnerships	
Pre-Decision Scrutiny		Finance / Budget	

**Other (please specify)**

**Suggested scrutiny activity - Committee's Role:**

To read and note contents of the Wales Audit Office Safeguarding Report and Service Response / Action Plan.  
 To scrutinise the Action Plan, progress against actions up to end February and provide constructive challenge to the Council about this work in an impartial and independent manner.

**On what specific elements of the report would scrutiny comment add value**

Scrutiny Recommendations in the Wales Audit Office report, and progress against recommendations in the Action Plan.  
 Please note, this was reviewed in the Corporate Safeguarding Board on 6<sup>th</sup> March of which Health and Care Scrutiny will be updated in June.