

PWYLLGOR CRAFFU ADDYSG A PHLANT
16 MAWRTH 2022

Y Pwnc: Cysylltiadau ac Atgyfeiriadau i'r Gwasanaethau Plant

Diben: Edrych ar y cynnydd mewn cysylltiadau ac atgyfeiriadau yn y Gwasanaethau Plant.

Ystyried y materion canlynol a chyflwyno sylwadau arnynt:

Hefyd i edrych ar y cynnydd yn y llwyth gwaith o fewn y Gwasanaeth, yr heriau maent yn gwynebu â'r posibilrwydd bod angen ariannu ychwanegol yn ystod y cyfnod ac efallai thu hwnt, ynghyd a'r effaith os na fydd hyn yn bosib, a bod lefelau'r cynnydd yn parhau.

Y Rhesymau:

Rhoi diweddariad i'r Pwyllgor Craffu ar y lefelau uwch o weithgarwch o fewn y gwasanaeth a'r goblygiadau pe bai'r patrwm hwn yn parhau.

Angen cyfeirio'r mater at y Cabinet / Cyngor er mwyn gwneud penderfyniad:

Nac Oes.

Yr aelod o'r Cabinet sy'n gyfrifol am y portffolio:-

Cyng. Glynog Davies (Addysg a Phlant)

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Addysg a Phlant

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Subject: – Contacts & Referrals to Children’s Services

1. BRIEF SUMMARY OF PURPOSE OF REPORT.

The number of Contacts & Referrals received by Children’s Services increased significantly during the pandemic in addition to experiencing a local recruitment issue reflected in a nationwide crisis in not being able to recruit social workers to vacant posts.

The report attempts to illustrate the position and the impact of this on the service; the nature of those referrals and the implications for the service should the situation continue.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: Stefan Smith Head of Children's Services

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	YES	YES	NONE

5. Risk Management Issues

If the service continues to experience an increasing level of referrals and child protection cases, there is a risk that we will see more children coming into the statutory service with the implication being a likelihood of increased child protection cases and more children coming into care.

6. Staffing Implications

If the service continues to experience increased levels of referrals and vacancies continue there is a concern this will impact on staff emotional and physical wellbeing

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Stefan Smith

Head of Children's Services

None

**CABINET PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S)
AWARE/CONSULTED**

YES via Cabinet Member briefing

Include any observations here

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

THERE ARE NONE