

Report to: **East Sussex Health and Wellbeing Board**

Date: **26 January 2016**

By: **East Sussex Local Safeguarding Children Board**

Title: **LSCB Annual Report 2014 - 2015  
and Business Plan 2015 – 2018**

Purpose: **LSCB Annual Report**

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## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**For the Health and Wellbeing Board to note the contents of the East Sussex Local Safeguarding Children Annual Report**

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### **1. Background**

1.1 The ESSCB is a partnership that works to safeguard and promote the welfare of children in East Sussex by working with, and scrutinising, the work of agencies with key responsibilities for keeping children safe in the county. These include staff working in health, social care, police, probation and education settings as well as voluntary sector organisations working with children in East Sussex. The LSCB focus's on the safety of children most vulnerable and at most risk of harm, and ensures that positive outcomes for children remain a priority.

The purpose of this report is to assess how the LSCB are doing in ensuring local services are keeping children safe. The LSCB does this in three main ways:

- Holding organisations to account at regular Board meetings
- Providing vital training to professionals through the ESSCB training programme
- Driving improved practices by conducting targeted reviews and audits of cases.

This Annual Report includes the new 3-year Business Plan for 2015-18. The new plan has five priorities:

- Tackling Child Sexual Exploitation
- Improving Safeguarding in Education
- On-line safety
- Mental health service provision to those who need it
- Tackling the impact of domestic abuse on children

### **2. Supporting Information**

2.1 The East Sussex LSCB Annual Report is attached.

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### **3. Recommendations**

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