

County Council



Notices of Motion

19 November 2015

One motion has been received.

Annual Training Event for Councillors on Child Safeguarding and Corporate Parenting

Proposer: Mr P Irwin
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The Children's Social Care and Learning Select Committee recently published its scrutiny inquiry report on Child Sexual Exploitation. The Inquiry looked at current practices across all organisations that work with children and young people in Buckinghamshire. The Committee has made 10 recommendations to Cabinet and the Bucks Children's Safeguarding Board which aim to strengthen the preventative work on child sexual exploitation. Cabinet will be making its full response to the Select Committee's recommendations at Cabinet in January and the Safeguarding Board will be considering its response on 17 November 2015.

One of those recommendations is as follows:

"That the Council should ensure that all County Councillors undertake training on spotting the signs of child sexual exploitation."

Each and every County Councillor has a responsibility to understand how to spot the signs of child sexual exploitation, to help families and communities that we represent to be aware of the possible signs and to promote awareness of the issues to help prevent abuse.

We are calling on Children's Services to run an annual training event for all County Councillors on child safeguarding as well as corporate parenting; and most importantly we are calling on each and every County Councillor to commit to attend this event.

Resolution

This County council resolves to organise an annual training event for all County Councillors on child safeguarding as well as corporate parenting; and that all County Councillors commit to attending this training annually.