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## Safeguarding

Members wished to make the following comments and conclusions:	Response/Comments	RAG Status
The Committee note that Bridgend County Borough Council are under-represented on the Cwm Taf Morgannwg Safeguarding Board and therefore recommended that Officers seek to assign similar representatives as the other Local Authorities for Bridgend, for example – Head of Legal.	4 senior officers (1 Director, 3 Heads of Service) attend the Cwm Taff Regional Safeguarding Board on behalf of BCBC. In addition, a number of other BCBC officers attend the associated sub-groups. Consideration of legal representation will be made.	
When the next report on Safeguarding is presented to Committee, Members recommended that the table detailing the amount children on the Child Protection Register includes data of how long each child has been on register and if they have moved from one age group to the next age group.	Noted.	
Members note the ongoing review of Performance Framework around Social Services and recommend that the categories on the Child Protection Register should include children whose parents have alcohol or substance issues is reported back as part of the review.	Noted. This is a national review.	
Members highlighted the importance of training staff that undertake assessments to distinguish the difference between alcohol-related brain damage and dementia to ensure a concise diagnosis and improved prognosis.	Noted.	
<b>Additional Information</b>		
Members requested to receive more information on the reasons for the poor uptake of the Welsh Government funded ‘Spectrum Project’;	With regards Spectrum, Hafan Cymru are funded directly by Welsh Government to deliver the Spectrum project in schools. The take up is disappointing. To improve take up the VAWDASV delivery plan for this year recognises this and we will be working with the Education directorate and Hafan to improve the numbers.	
In relation to the Adult Practice Review referred to in the report, the Committee asked for details of the process that was in place prior to the review and what process is in place to date.	The Adult Practice Review Process is a nationally agreed process.	