

## CITY OF PLYMOUTH

**Subject:** Ofsted Report - Inspection of Safeguarding and Looked After Children Services  
Plymouth City Council

**Committee:** Cabinet

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**Cabinet Member:** Councillor Mrs Watkins

**CMT Member:** Director of Services for Children and Young People

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**Executive Summary:** This report is a recognition and endorsement of the hard work that has taken place across Plymouth City Council with cross party support, working alongside young people, parents, carers and the outstanding partnership working alongside health, police and voluntary sectors.

### Full results for safeguarding

- **Overall for safeguarding services**
  - Overall effectiveness Good
  - Capacity for improvement Good
- **Outcomes for children and young people**
  - Are safe Good
  - Feel safe Good

Outstanding areas were highlighted under "Leadership and Management", "Partnership Working", "Ambition & Prioritisation", "User Engagement", "Making a Positive Contribution" and "Outcomes for Looked After Children and Care Leavers".

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### Corporate Plan 2010-2013:

This report links with the Children and Young People's Plan, Corporate Plan and Corporate Improvement Priority 7 which incorporates the areas for improvement highlighted in the report.

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### Implications for Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

#### Including finance, human, IT and land

The implications financially had already been identified and resources allocated prior to the Ofsted Inspection in relation to the CareFirst recording system.

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### Other Implications: e.g. Section 17 Community Safety, Health and Safety, Risk Management, Equalities Impact Assessment, etc.

None

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**Recommendations & Reasons for recommended action:**

The Cabinet notes the report of OFSTED and welcomes the considerable improvements in this service.

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**Alternative options considered and reasons for recommended action:**

Not applicable

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**Background papers:**

Ofsted Letter and Inspection Report dtd 21<sup>st</sup> May 2010

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**Sign off:**

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