

Extract from the draft minutes of the Cabinet meeting of 29 January 2020

420. Safeguarding Policy and Suicide Protocol

The Assistant Director for Communities submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member.

Councillor Fox, Portfolio Holder for Housing, stressed the importance of the Safeguarding Policy and Suicide Protocol, which helped ensure that officers had the tools and processes to deal effectively with the most vulnerable residents.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) The revised Safeguarding Policy (Version 7) be approved and authority for minor amendments be delegated to the Assistant Director for Communities in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder.
- (b) The revised Suicide Protocol (Version 2) be approved and authority for minor amendments be delegated to the Assistant Director for Communities in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder.

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL that:-

- (a) The revised Safeguarding Policy (Version 7) be adopted into the Policy Framework and that the Safeguarding Policy be reviewed formally every five years (unless there is a major change to legislation or approach).
- (b) The revised Suicide Protocol (Version 2) be adopted into the Policy Framework and that the Suicide Protocol be reviewed formally every five years (unless there is a major change to legislation or approach).

REASONS

By reviewing and approving the revised Safeguarding Policy and Suicide Protocol, Cabinet will assist the Council in meeting its legal duties.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

No alternative option was proposed as this was a statutory requirement.