

### OFFICER REPORT TO COUNCIL

### **SURREY YOUTH JUSTICE PLAN 2023/24**

## **KEY ISSUE/DECISION:**

To approve and sign off the Surrey Youth Justice Plan 2023/24.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Youth justice plans, in England only, must be signed off by the full council in accordance with 'Regulation 4 of the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000'. The plan has already been approved by the Surrey Youth Justice Management Board.

The Youth Justice plan 2023-24 has been developed and agreed with members of the Surrey Youth Justice Management Board. The plan reflects 'child first' thinking, aligning to Surrey Police Child Centred Policing strategy, with ambitions to improve the life chances of children and young people in all our communities through an integrated and effective partnership approach. The plan focuses on prompt action by the right professional to maximise opportunities to intervene and divert away from the Criminal Justice System and we recognise the interdependencies with safeguarding and early help plans within the Safeguarding Children's Partnership.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

It is recommended that the County Council:

1. Approves and signs off the Surrey Youth Justice Plan 2023/24.

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# Annexes:

Annex 1 - Surrey Youth Justice Plan 2023/24