

Report to Strategic Place Board

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<b>Title of the report:</b>	Greater Manchester Child Deaths Overview Report 2018/19		
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<b>Agenda Item</b>			
<b>Executive Summary</b>			
<b>Report purpose</b>	Decision <input type="checkbox"/>	Discussion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Information <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Report summary</b>	<p>This report is presented to the Strategic Place Board as part of their Health and Wellbeing Board functions. The Board are asked to note the Child Death Overview Panel Statutory Responsibility and the changes to governance and the transfer of accountability for the Child Death Review Panel reports moving in line with national guidance from Safeguarding Boards to Health and Wellbeing Boards in Bury, Rochdale and Oldham.</p> <p>The most recent Annual Report (attached) takes data from the four CDOP panels that cover Greater Manchester to make observations about causes and modifiable factors in order to inform action to promote child safety and reduce child deaths in GM and the Board are asked to note the report and consider the recommendations</p>		
<b>Key actions for the Board to address</b>	To consider the report and recommendations as part of the functions of a Health Wellbeing Board		
<b>Engagement taken place</b>	Sector CDOP members and GM CDOP network members		
<b>Assurance and tracking process</b>	Through the Strategic Place Board and via CDOP members and Safeguarding processes		
<b>1.0 Introduction/ Background</b>			
<p>The Bury, Rochdale and Oldham (BRO) CDOP has been set up by Child Death Review (CDR) Partners across the sector. The national CDOP process was designed to review the deaths of children under the requirements of the Children Act, 2004 and Working Together to Safeguard Children, 2018. The tripartite approach covers a population of 641,846. The sector operates within a Greater Manchester (GM) framework for CDOP which includes the production of a GM CDOP Report and development of agreed standards and processes across GM.</p>			

The purpose of the BRO CDOP is to undertake a review of all child deaths up to the age of 18 years, normally resident in Bury, Oldham and Rochdale/HMR, irrespective of the place of their death. The BRO CDOP will adhere to the statutory guidance: Child Death Review Statutory and Operational Guidance (England) 2018:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/child-death-review-statutory-and-operational-guidance-england>

### **2.0 Progress to date**

The three Councils and the three CCGs have agreed operational arrangements with NHS Trusts and the Police based on the existing model that has worked well for some years across Greater Manchester and processes are in place to review and report all child deaths in line with national guidance.

### **3.0 Recommendations**

- That the Board note their responsibility and schedule future Annual reports to be presented to the Board
- That the Board note that arrangements have been put into place to discharge our statutory responsibilities and that this will be subject to further development in 2019/20.
- That the Board agree to ensure that plans are in place to address potential modifiable factors including smoking in pregnancy, obesity, drug and alcohol misuse, domestic abuse, safe sleeping, and consanguinity.
- That the Board ensure that suicide prevention plans are in place in line with the Greater Manchester Suicide Prevention Strategy
- That the Board ensure that good quality services are in place to support families and others affected following the death of a child or young person

### **4.0 Next Steps**

CDOPs continue to operate in line with national guidance and report annually to the Strategic Place Board

### **5.0 Financial/ Legal implications**

The administrative functions are undertaken by Rochdale Council and costs are funded by all three localities. .