

GWYNEDD COUNCIL – Report to Cyngor Gwynedd Scrutiny

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| Item title: | Strategic Safeguarding Panel Yearly Report 2025/26 |
| Cabinet Member: | Cllr. Dewi Jones, Cabinet Member for Education and Chair of the Strategic Safeguarding Panel |
| Relevant Officer: | Dylan Owen, Statutory Director of Social Services |
| Meeting date: | 4 June 2026 |

1. Why does it need to be scrutinised?

1.1 The purpose of this item is to present the report on the work of the Strategic Safeguarding Panel for the year 2025/26.

2. What exactly needs to be scrutinised?

2.1 Although this report is based on factual information from the previous year, it is being presented to the Scrutiny Committee due to the importance of the subject, in order to provide members with an opportunity to scrutinise the work, challenge where necessary, and gain assurance regarding the Council's arrangements and performance.

3. Background / Context

3.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update on what has been achieved by the Strategic Safeguarding Panel during the period. It is considered that the report provides an accurate and fair summary of the Panel's work, whilst also including references to reports or observations made by external auditors on this work.

3.2 The Report will be presented to the Cabinet and subsequently to the Full Council as an item for information.

Attachment List:

Appendix 1 – Strategic Safeguarding Panel Yearly Report 2025/26