

Cabinet Response to the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Board – Safe Places for Young People

No.	Recommendation:	Cabinet Response:
1.	<p>That the Cabinet be recommended to support a review of the impact of the Safe Places project to develop and work with our partners and young people to identify safe places for young people to go to within their communities linked to the Family Hub and Spoke Model and learning from best practice from others.</p>	<p>We are presently working with partners to consider the wider youth agenda as part of the Continuous Children’s Improvement Board (CCIB) and the next iteration of the improvement planning.</p> <p>Officers met with several partners and representatives over the course of April and May to consider the redrafting of the Continuous Children’s Improvement Plan. This included consideration of Safe Place project for Youths. It was agreed that the development of a children and young people specific safe place project needed to be considered in the context of a ‘Child Friendly Torbay’. A review would include the need to review and refresh the understanding of youth need, taking into account anticipated new statutory responsibilities using gap analysis when required, and scope what services are required to be commissioned to meet that need. As part of this work, we are consulting with the Department of Culture Media and Sports (DCMS) as there is the potential to apply for capital investment to support either the renovation or building of accommodation specifically for youths age 11 to 18. Any proposals will align with the work already being undertaken to establish Family Hubs in Torbay.</p> <p>Officers are also meeting with representatives from Youth Investment Fund to consider a bid for funding to support our Youth agenda. The activity agreed as part of these meetings will form part of the next iteration of the CCIB plan incorporating a partnership response and is directly aligned to our Child Friendly Torbay vision.</p>