

PDS Scrutiny Presentation January 2019

Mary Kearney-Knowles Director, Children and Young People

Vision and Year One Priority Areas

To deliver the Council's Core Offer:

» Protecting and caring for our most vulnerable

- » Ensure a robust safeguarding system to protect children (and adults) at risk
- » Assess and meet needs of children and young people where they have suffered significant harm or are at immediate risk of significant harm
- » Provide an alternative home for children unable to live with their parents or extended family, and ensure all their needs are met into adulthood
- » Assess and meet the needs of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities
- » Ensure that the voice of children, young people, parents and carers is central to all service planning and review

Bath and North East Somerset – *The* place to live, work and visit



Somerset Council To deliver the Council's Core Offer (cont.')

Nurturing residents' health, safety and wellbeing

» Provide or commission services for families in our area that support them to raise their children

» Providing ways for everyone in the community to reach their full potential

» Support young adults that have left our care until the age of 25

» Provide strong and effective social work leadership

- » Development of an integrated practice model, e.g. unifying framework
- » Development of an organizational development strategy for social care, to address recruitment, retention and staff development

» Ensure robust finance overview and scrutiny

- » Strengthen current finance scrutiny
- » Delivery of savings plans

Bath and North East Somerset – *The* place to live, work and visit