

# EXETER CITY COUNCIL

## SCRUTINY COMMITTEE COMMUNITY 4 MARCH 2008

### DEVON CHILDREN'S TRUST DRAFT CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN 2008 -11

#### 1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report seeks Members' views on the draft Children and Young People's Plan 2008 -11.

#### 2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Devon County Council as statutory children's authority is required to publish a Children and Young People's Plan setting out how all agencies can work together through the Devon Children's Trust to deliver the Every Child Matters five outcomes:

- Be healthy
- Stay safe
- Enjoy and achieve
- Make a positive contribution
- Achieve economic wellbeing

The City Council has a legal duty to cooperate on children's matters.

- 2.2 A first draft of the new plan was published shortly before Christmas and is available on the Children's Trust website at [www.devonchildrenstrust.org.uk](http://www.devonchildrenstrust.org.uk). City Council staff and Members have participated in various consultation events since then and comments on the first draft plan, agreed by the Portfolio Holder for Housing and Social Inclusion, were submitted by the deadline of 31 January 2008. These are attached as Appendix I to this report.
- 2.3 A further draft is expected before the plan is submitted to Devon County Council's Executive on 28 March 2008 and it is hoped that this will be available for discussion so that the views expressed at the City Council's scrutiny committee can be fed into the process.

#### 3 RECOMMENDED

- 1) that Members' views are requested.

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**Background papers used in compiling this report:**  
None