Presentation from The Children’s Society on Co-ordinated Crisis Support

Purpose of report

For information.

Summary

An overview of the programme, provided by The Children’s Society, is supplied here as background information.

The LGA has been part of the advisory panel engaged by The Children’s Society in the design of this programme. We have agreed with them that, where possible, we will draw on the learning from their work and integrate it with our Reshaping Financial Support Action Learning Programme. We will also offer support and advice, where appropriate, for their engagement with participating councils.

Members should note that while the LGA is supportive of the objectives of the programme we have been clear throughout discussions that, since the removal of separately identified funding for local welfare schemes, councils have found it increasingly challenging to fund, co-ordinate and deliver crisis support.

Recommendation

For members to contribute views on how The Children’s Society’s funded programme can benefit the sector, and how it might link effectively to the LGA’s work on welfare reform and financial inclusion.

**Action**

Officers to take forward with members’ steer.

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