

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S
STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP****REPORT**

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1. Purpose

To note the proposed Anti Bullying Strategy and draft Model Policy developed in partnership with the Anti Bullying Working Group.

2. Background/Context

Bullying has been identified explicitly within the schools White Paper, *The Importance of Teaching* as a key factor of safety. The recent Ofsted consultation for proposals for inspection arrangements also clearly identifies that *Children's safety is essential and a critical aspect of ensuring they are safe is to tackle bullying and harassment*. In light of these changes the Anti Bullying Model Policy has been created to help develop greater understanding of best practice and set out recommendations and guidance for schools, colleges, youth groups and clubs.

The Children's Services Anti Bullying Strategy has been developed to set out the key principles of challenging and reducing bullying behaviour and outlines how all partners should work together in the pursuit of this.

3. Recommendation

- That CYPSP note the Anti Bullying Strategy and respond to the draft Model Policy before it is presented to the steering group.
- That the Anti Bullying Strategy and Model Policy be formally launched at the proposed Anti Bullying / E-safety Conference in February 2012.