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**Meeting:** Overview and Scrutiny  
**Date:** 15 December 2011  
**Subject:** Review of Children's Services to disabled children, young people and their families

**Report of:** Cllr Mark Versallion, Executive Member for Children's Services.

**Summary:** Attached at Appendix A is a draft Executive Report (January 2012) on the findings and proposals of the review of services for disabled children, young people and their families. The Committee is asked to comment on the draft Executive report.

The implementation of the agreed options will take place between April 2012 and March 2013.

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**Advising Officer:** Edwina Grant Deputy Chief Executive/Director of Children's Services.  
**Contact Officer:** Catherine Parry Assistant Director Children's Services Operations (Acting).  
**Public/Exempt:** Public.  
**Wards Affected:** All.  
**Function of:** Council.

#### **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

**Council Priorities:**

This report supports Priority 2 of Central Bedfordshire's Strategic Plan 2009-2011, Educating, Protecting and Providing Opportunities for Children and Young People. The information also supports the Children and Young People's Plan priorities, Priority 2 Protecting Children and keeping them safe and Priority 1, increased educational achievement.

**Financial:**

This is laid out in the Executive paper.

These proposals will not increase costs for the Council.

**Legal:**

The legal framework is set in the draft report.

**Risk Management:**

Risk Management is set out in the report.

**Staffing (including Trades Unions):**

Consultation with staff and unions will need to take place once proposals agreed. An early informal consultation with Trade Unions will be required.

**Equalities/Human Rights:**

Adherence to Human Rights and Equality issues is maintained.

**Community Safety:**

There are no new community safety issues arising from the Report.

**Sustainability:**

The proposals outlined in the review will ensure that services to disabled children, young people and their families are fit for purpose, will meet the requirements of the emerging legislation and can be delivered within planned budgets and supporting grants.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. that the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee comment on the draft Executive report.