

**Inspection of Midlothian Council Fostering Service
Report by John Blair, Director, Resources**

1 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to bring to the Committee's attention the attached report by the Head of Children and Families.

2 Background

The report was considered by the Cabinet on 19 April 2016, when it was agreed, as follows:-

- (a) To note the content of the inspection report;
- (b) To refer the report to the Performance, Review and Scrutiny Committee for its consideration;
- (c) To congratulate the management and staff connected with the Midlothian Council Fostering Service on the strengths identified in the report; and
- (d) That the Council would continue to challenge, support and monitor the service in relation to the delivering excellence framework.

3 Report Implications

These are as outlined in the attached report by the Head of Children and Families.

4 Recommendations

The Committee is invited to consider the attached report by the Head of Children and Families.

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