REPORT TO: Safer Halton Policy and Performance Board

DATE: 18 September 2007

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director – Health & Community

SUBJECT: Proposed topic brief Adult Protection in Halton,

for Safer Halton and Healthy Halton Joint

Scrutiny Topic

WARD(S) All Wards

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To seek the Boards comments on and approval of draft topic brief on Adult Protection in Halton
- 2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the Board comment on the draft topic brief and agree final version.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 As part of the business of Policy and Performance Boards they have a programme of topics. Safer Halton Policy and Performance Board have requested to consider adult protection in Halton and this will be a combined scrutiny area across the two Committees.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Policy recommendations will come out of the scrutiny review.

5.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

6.1 Children and Young People in Halton

Protection of vulnerable adults has some cross-over with that of vulnerable children, and linkage will be made with child protection

6.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton

None identified at this stage.

6.3 A Healthy Halton

Adult protection is key in discharging social care responsibilities to those we provide a service to. The review is therefore a joint one across health and Safer Halton Policy and Performance Board.

6.4 A Safer Halton

A key factor in whether vulnerable people feel able to live in the community is a robust and systematic approach to adult protection.

6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal

None identified at this stage

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

7.1 These will be contained in the review.

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

8.1 These will be considered as part of the topic group review

9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

None.