## **Head of Social Work for Families**

## **Job Outline**

## Main Purpose of Job

Third tier manager with management oversight of six children and families social work teams and the out of hours and FGC services. The teams carry a range of work including duty, long term, Child Protection and Looked After Children. The post provides supervisory support to team managers, working closely with them to ensure safeguarding and care planning processes are robust. The post chairs all Legal Planning Meetings generated by the teams where a decision is going to be made as to whether to go into legal proceedings. The post is responsible for three significant budgets that total in excess of 4 million pounds. In addition to significant operational responsibilities the post is also required to undertake development activity to ensure that high quality services continue to be provided.

## **Key Accountabilities**

- Ensure safeguarding and care planning processes are robust within the social work teams
- Oversee entries to the care system
- Manage budgets appropriately, ensuring that spend improves outcomes for young people
- Maintain and improve operational services for children and their families

Staff Directly Managed: 8

Budgetary Responsibility: £150,000