

AGENDA

Meeting	Corporate Parenting Panel
Date & Time of Meeting:	4.00pm, 9th November 2011
Venue:	Committee Room 3, County Hall
Membership:	Cllr Paul Chaundy, Cllr Richard Cook (Chair), Cllr Kirsty Davies, Cllr Susan Goddard, Cllr Roderick McKerlich, Cllr Keith Parry, Cllr Cathy Percy, Cllr Jaswant Singh, Cllr John Dixon
Officers in attendance:	Maria Michael (Chief Children's Services Officer) Debbie Martin-Jones – Operational Manager (Case management services for looked After Children and Young People Leaving Care)
Terms of Reference:	
	To oversee the development and effective implementation of Cardiff Council's Corporate Parenting Strategy.
	To monitor the way in which services that have a responsibility to Looked After Children and Care Leavers fulfil their responsibilities and to raise matters of concern about the delivery of services that arise at meetings of the Board.
	To promote the joining up of key strategies, policies and local planning arrangements where this will increase their effectiveness and support a holistic approach to improving the life changes and overall outcomes of looked after children and care leavers in line with their peers.
	To raise the profile of the needs of looked after children and care leavers through a range of activities which will include consideration of performance information, meetings with looked after children, care leavers, parents, foster carers, staff and visits to children's services and resources, including children's homes.
	To ensure that children and young people have information about what they can expect from Cardiff Council as their corporate parent.
	To promote meaningful consultation and participation and ensure that the view of children, young people, their families and carers are listened to and taken into account through the Panel/Board and by the Council as a whole.
	To ensure that the achievements of looked after children, care leavers, foster carers and staff are celebrated and rewarded.
	To ensure that systems are in place to ensure children who are looked after can be confident that their individual interests will receive full and fair consideration including when these may be in conflict with aspects of the policies and procedures of the Council.
	To make recommendations to others in respect of the corporate parenting of looked after children as consistent with the role and purpose of the panel.

1. **Welcome and Apologies** – Chair Cllr Richard Cook
Declarations of Interest – to be made at the start of the agenda item in question, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct
To note that Cllr John Dixon has been appointed as an additional member to the Corporate Parenting Panel, reported at Council 20th Oct 2011.
2. **Minutes** – To note the minutes of the meeting held on 20 September 2011 (*copy attached*)
Matters Arising
3. **Trafficking of Children and Child Sexual Exploitation 4.10- 4.30pm**
Heidi Goodwin Acting Service Manager (Reviewing Services) will be in attendance to present the report
4. **Children's Services Performance in respect of services for Looked After Children – annual outcome report 4.30- 4.50pm**
Sandra Thomas - Service Manager (Independent Review) and Kim Brown Service Manager (Policy Planning and Performance) will be in attendance to present the report
5. **Outcome of CSSIW inspections of Regulated Services 4.50- 5.10pm**
Angela Bourge – Operational Manager (Resources) will be in attendance to present the report
6. **Annual Council Reporting Framework – 5.10- 5.20pm**
Maria Michael – Chief Officer Childrens Services to present the briefing item.
7. **Learning from a Serious Case Review, Child D – 5.20 – 5.40pm**
Briefing and action taken in response to the recommendations.
8. **Standing Item**
New Developments (for example new legislation, consultations etc)
None are being reported to this meeting
9. **Next Steps**
Consideration of Panel's work programme and proposed agendas for future meetings (copy attached).**5.40-5.55pm**
10. **AOB 5.55-6.00pm**
11. Date of next meeting 9th January 2012 – 4-6pm Committee Room 3, County Hall