

AGENDA

Meeting	Corporate Parenting Panel
Date & Time of Meeting:	4.30pm, 17 September 2013
Venue:	Committee Room 4, County Hall
Membership:	Cllr Siobhan Corria (Cabinet Member Social Care, Health & Wellbeing, Childrens), Cllr Paul Chaundy, Cllr Richard Cook, Cllr Jonathan Evans (Chair), Cllr Susan Goddard, Cllr Phil Hawkins, Cllr Sue Lent, Cllr Roderick McKerlich, Cllr Jim Murphy (Vice Chair)
Officers in attendance:	Tony Young (Director of Children's Services) Angela Bourge (Operational Manager, Resources) Debbie Martin-Jones (Operational Manager, Looked After Children and Leaving Care) Sarah Peddle (Performance & Governance Manager, Education Service) Steve Davies (Operational Manager, Looked After Children's Education) Christine Lawrence(Senior Specialist Teacher, Education) Jackie Murphy (Executive Director, Tros Gynnal Plant) Elly Jones (Project Manager, Tros Gynnal Plant) Gary Bowen –Thomson (Community Education Officer, Youth Mentoring Programme) Freda Lewis (Director, Fostering Network) Karen Wilkinson (Panel Administrator)

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 Jonathan Evans

Declarations of Interest – to be made at the start of the agenda item in question, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct

Minutes – To note the minutes of the meeting held on 10 July 2013 (copy attached)
2.1. Accuracy
2.2 Actions

3. Advocacy Annual Report 4.40 - 5.05pm

Angela Bourge Operational Manager Resources and both Jackie Murphy Executive Director & Elly Jones Project Manager of Tros Gynnal Plant will be in attendance for this item.

4. Looked After Children – Cardiff Literacy Strategy 5.05 – 5.30pm

Steve Davies Operational Manager Looked After Childrens Education & Christine Lawrence Senior Specialist Teacher will be in attendance for this item.

5. Looked After Children - Mentoring 5.30 – 5.55pm

Debbie Martin Jones Operational Manager Looked After Children and Leaving Care and Gary Bowen Thomson Community Education Officer, Youth Mentoring Programme will be in attendance for this item.

6. Fostering Network – Educational support to LAC 5.55 – 6.20pm

Freda Lewis Director Fostering Network Wales will be in attendance for this item.

7. New developments, information to note 6.20pm – 6.25pm

 Development in CAMHS presentation by Dr Claire Ball & Dr Vineet Padmanabhan CAMHS Cardiff on Monday 23rd September 1.30-2.30pm Committee Room 1

8. Next Steps

6.25pm – 6.35pm

Consideration of Panel's work programme and proposed agendas for future meetings (copy attached).

9. AOB 6.40pm

10. **Date of next meeting**: 12 November 2013, 4.30 pm Committee Room 4