

AGENDA

Meeting Corporate Parenting Panel

Date & Time of Meeting: 4.30pm, 12 November 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 Chris Davis, Cllr Jonathan Evans (Chair), Cllr Susan

Goddard, Cllr Phil Hawkins, Cllr Sue Lent, Cllr Roderick McKerlich, Cllr Jim Murphy

(Vice Chair)

Officers in attendance: Sarah Woelk (Operational Manager, Child

Protection/Children in Need)

Angela Bourge (Operational Manager,

Resources)

Jo Phillips (Senior Learning &

Development Specialist, HR People

Services)

Lynn David (Operational Manager, Centre

of Expertise HR People Services)
Marie Rosenthal (County Clerk &

Monitoring Officer, Democratic Services)

Wendy Carroll (Service Manager

Placements, Finance & Commissioning,

Childrens Services)

Sarah Peddle (Performance & Governance Manager, Education

Service)

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

- 2. **Minutes** To note the minutes of the meeting held on 17th September 2013 (copy attached)
 - 2.1. Accuracy
 - 2.2 Actions

3. Thornhill Road 4.40 – 4.55pm

Angela Bourge (Operational Manager Resources) will be in attendance to give a verbal update.

4. Work Experience/Placements for Looked After Children 4.55 - 5.20pm

Lynne David (Operational Manager Centre of Expertise, HR People Services) and Jo Phillips (Senior Learning & Development Specialist, HR People Services) will be in attendance for this item.

5. Review of Corporate Parenting Panel's status 5.20 – 5.45pm

Marie Rosenthal (County Clerk & Monitoring Officer, Democratic Services) will be in attendance for this item.

6. Annual Out of Area Placements Panel Report 5.45 – 6.05pm

Wendy Carroll (Service Manager Placements, Finance & Commissioning, Children's Services) will be in attendance for this item.

- 7. New developments, information to note 6.05 pm 6.10pm
 - Bright Sparks Awards Event for Looked After Children and Care Leavers City Hall, December 13th 4.30-6.30pm

Does the panel wish to make an award this year?

8. **Next Steps**

6.10pm - 6.20pm

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

9. **AOB 6.20pm – 6.30pm**

10. **Date of next meeting**: 21st January 2014, 4.30 pm Committee Room 4