

DATA FROM CORE CITIES – CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEES & TERMS OF REFERENCE

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<p>Bristol Corporate Parenting Panel Chaired by Cabinet Member Children and Young People Corporate Parenting Strategy</p>	<p>Established in 2007 the Corporate Parenting Panel operates as a Panel of Full Council to ensure that the Council effectively discharges its role as corporate parent of children in care and care leavers. It meets five times each year and is an effective cross party working group of elected members, senior officers, partner agencies and children in care, care leavers and foster carer representatives.</p> <p>The Panel undertakes its work by championing children in care and care leavers across the council and evaluating how well the corporate parenting responsibility is discharged. It will act to hold all parts of the City Council to account for the delivery of improved outcomes in every area of a child or young person's life by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overseeing the implementation of the Corporate Parenting Strategy and the development of integrated services for children in care and care leavers • Progressing the implementation of national and local policy for children in care and care leavers, including maintaining a focus on prevention and services supporting children in their birth families and particularly those on children on the edge of care. 	A Panel reporting to Full Council	<i>Not available</i>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scrutinising performance reports on the City Council and partners' key performance indicators for children in care and care leavers, taking action where necessary to drive improvement. • Producing the Annual Corporate Parenting Report to Full Council, including an analysis of city council and partner's performance in respect of corporate parenting and developing an action plan for the following year. • Taking lead responsibility for ensuring effective participation arrangements for children in care and care leavers in City Council and partnership work. • Considering regular reports on the way in which the Local Authority discharges its parental responsibility in practice through residential, family placement, adoption and case holding services provided or procured by the Local Authority. • Taking an active role in ensuring effective quality assurance arrangements are in place for children in care and care leaver services, including a robust representation, compliments, complaints and independent reviewing arrangements. • Identifying specific areas for exploration in order to engage in areas of specific interest and improvement. 		

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<p>Birmingham City Council Birmingham Children's Trust – Corporate Parenting Panel – run under contract by the Birmingham Children's Trust on behalf of the Council</p>	<p>The Corporate Parenting Board is a strategic board which meets every three months. The board considers issues for children and young people in Care and champions how these issues can be addressed. It oversees the Corporate Parenting Strategy to ensure the responsibilities are fulfilled through delivery of services and the achievement of outcomes for children and young people.</p> <p>The CPB reports to the Quartet, Scrutiny Committee and the Children & Young People's Scrutiny Group.</p> <p>The CPB receives an overview of how services are working with Children in Care through reports from the CP Working Group. Task and finish groups will work on specific themes and report to the CP Working group.</p> <p>The views of children and young people are represented by CiCC presentation to the Board and young people as board members; participate in decisions about their care and the shaping and delivery of future services and to report on this progress</p> <p>The role of the CP Board will involve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting and talking to children in care and young people on a regular basis to inform the work of the Board. 	<p>Reports to the Quartet, Scrutiny Committee and the Children & Young People's Scrutiny Group.</p>	<p>Quarterly meetings</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring the corporate parenting role is understood by all elected Members, officers working in the Council and in partner agencies. • Monitoring and oversee plans, strategies or policies for children in care, young people and care leavers to ensure performance is maintained. • Monitoring and implementing the Corporate Parenting Strategy. • Reviewing Children in Care data set, identifying issues, then driving and monitoring how these are addressed. • Deciding where focused work is required and communicating this to the Corporate Parenting Board via the Corporate Parenting Business Manager. • Provide support by attending events, such as celebration events for children and carers, achievement events, foster carers and adopter recruitment events, Children in Care Council meetings and Birmingham Association for Foster Care meetings. 		
<p>Glasgow City Council Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership – City Council’s Champion’s Board & Young Persons Champion’s Board (2 Boards)</p>	<p>Champions’ Board meets to receive reports from the senior managers on arrangements for planning, monitoring and evaluating the work of all departments in fulfilling the council’s corporate parenting responsibilities and the council’s progress in improving the outcomes for all of Glasgow’s children and young people. The Council Champions Board also supports elected members in fulfilling their responsibilities to looked after children.</p>	<p><i>Not specified</i></p>	<p>6 meetings a year</p>

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	<p>Young person’s Champions’ Board – the aim of the Board will be empowering and supporting young people to help create a strong platform for their voices, one they are proud to be part of. Young people will feel confident, included and valued through connected links with local corporate parents and other partners to make change happen.</p>		
<p>Liverpool City Council The Children & Families’ Trust</p>	<p>The purpose of the Children & Families’ Trust is a partnership leadership forum that provides strategic direction, oversight and accountability for collaborative ways of working in support of children and families in Liverpool.</p> <p>The guiding principles for the Children & Families’ Trust are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How, working as a partnership, we make things better for children and their families • How, working as a partnership, we add value to the work of our home organisations. <p>The role of the Children & Families’ Trust will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To demonstrate collective leadership and determine the priorities, ambition and outcomes for the partnership work programme; • To promote effective communications and consultation with children and their families, within respective organisations, with external partners and providers; 	<p><i>Not specified</i></p>	<p><i>Not available</i></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To ensure accountability for the work programme and the resources assigned to it, championing delivery of the agreed outcomes and ensuring any barriers to progress are highlighted and addressed and that evidence of impact is robust; • To provide strategic guidance on organisational priorities and issues of national and local policy; • To make recommendations regarding future service design, development and procurement based on the evidence and learning from the work programme; • To promote the joint commissioning of integrated service delivery in support of improving children and family outcomes; • To sponsor an action learning approach to the work programme, ensuring that learning and evidence is fed into the JSNA and strategic intelligence documents and used in the future design and development of public services. 		
Newcastle City Council Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To develop a cadre of councillors with the knowledge and expertise in issues relating to Looked After Children 2. To advocate the interests of Looked After Children within the Council 3. To monitor the work of the Council and other related agencies in contributing towards positive outcomes for Looked After Children 4. To provide advice to decision makers in relation to Looked After Children issues. 	(a) Cabinet (b) the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel (c) the Council (d) Children and Young people Looked After by the Council	6 meetings a year

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	<p>5. To provide formal comments on all proposals and to be consulted about all policy decisions affecting Looked After Children.</p> <p>6. To promote involvement by all councillors in the corporate parenting role</p> <p>7. To consult with and listen to Looked after Children and to respond to their views and to take into account the issues they raise when acting on their behalf.</p> <p>8. To establish links with similar bodies in other Local Authorities to benchmark good practice.</p> <p>9. To ensure that the Council, as the corporate parent meets the diverse needs of Looked After Children.</p> <p>10. To develop and implement an annual work programme which will include:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation where possible in the programme of member visits to children’s homes and other similar programmes; • Consideration of the reports of the councillors who undertake such visits; • Consideration of the regular reports on Children in Need reports prepared for the Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel; • Consideration of regular reports on the interests of children looked after including those produced through Viewpoint; • Discussion of matters of concern with officers, foster carers and others as considered appropriate by the Group; 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of matters of interest with Looked After Children 11. To make annual reports regarding the Group's activities and annual work programme to <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Cabinet (b) the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel (c) the Council (d) Children and Young people Looked After by the Council. 										
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		Board, on a regular or occasional basis, to act in an advisory role and to feed in the views of children and young people in care;		
	(e)	to make a commitment to prioritising the needs of looked after children and their carers;		
	(f)	to report regularly to the Children's Partnership Board (acting as the Children's Trust) on matters relating to partnership;		
	(g)	to report annually to full Council on progress and to consider matters referred to it by full Council and the Executive Board.		
	(h)	to make recommendations through the Executive Board on potential strategic change required within the Council to embed this agenda;		
	(i)	to have the ambition to raise the standards of core services to looked after children;		
	(j)	to promote achievement and help build aspirations;		
	(k)	to listen to the views of looked after children and young people and their carers and to involve them in the development and assessment of services;		
	(l)	to encourage looked after children to become active citizens;		
	(m)	to monitor the Council's provision for looked after children;		
	(n)	to oversee the provision of work placements and apprenticeships for looked after children by the City Council;		

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