AGENDA

CORPORATE PARENTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Date and Time of Meeting

TUESDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2017, 2.00 PM

Venue COMMITTEE ROOM 4 - COUNTY HALL

Membership Councillor Merry (Chair)

Councillors Davies, Hinchey, Jenkins, Lent, Lister, Molik, Walker and

Weaver

1 Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence.

2 Chairperson

To note that Council at its meeting on 28 September 2017 elected Councillor Sarah Merry as Chair of this Committee for the Municipal Year 2017-2018.

3 Membership and Term of Reference

To note that Council at its meeting on 28 September 2017 reaffirmed the following Membership:

Councillors Davies, Hinchey, Jenkins, Lent, Lister, Merry, Molik, Walker and Weaver.

To note that Council at its Annual Meeting on 25 May 32017 agreed the following Terms of Reference:

- (a) To actively promote real and sustained improvements in the life chances of Looked After Children, Children in Need, Care Leavers and children and young people in the criminal justice system and to work within an annual programme to that end;
- (b) To develop, monitor and review a corporate parenting strategy, and ensure its effective implementation through work plans and corporate parenting training programmes;
- (c) To seek to ensure that the life chances of Looked After Children, Children in Need and care leavers are maximised in terms of health, educational

attainment, and access to training and employment, to aid the transition to a secure and productive adulthood;

- (d) To recommend ways in which more integrated services can be developed across all Council directorates, schools and other stakeholders to lead towards better outcomes for Looked After Children, Children in Need and care leavers;
- (e) To ensure that mechanisms are in place to enable Looked After Children, Children in Need and care leavers, to play an integral role in service planning and design, and that their views are regularly sought and acted upon;
- (f) To ensure performance monitoring systems are in place, and regularly review performance data to ensure sustained performance improvements in outcomes for Looked After Children, Children in Need and care leavers;
- (g) To receive all relevant Children's Services inspection and annual reports, including: Children's Homes Quality of Care Report; Case Practice Reviews, Fostering Annual Quality of Care Report; Adoption Fostering Annual Quality of Care Report; 4C's Commissioning; Out of Area Annual Report; Annual Report of Brighter Futures (with education); Children's Complaints reports; and Advocacy Annual Report;
- (h) To report to the Cabinet at least twice a year;
- (i) To make recommendations to the Cabinet where responsibility for that function rests with the Cabinet:
- (j) To report to the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee as necessary;
- (k) To recommend the appointment of co-opted members to the Committee for approval by Council;
- (I) To develop and undertake a programme of consultation, listening and engagement events with Looked After Children and care leavers, as well as visits to services providing support and advice to Looked After Children, Children in Need and care leavers;
- (m)To submit an Annual Report on the work of the Committee to full Council.
- (n) All Members of the Committee will be required to undertake relevant training to enable them to properly discharge their duties.

4 Nomination and Election of Deputy Chair

To nominate and elect a Deputy Chairperson

5 Declarations of Interest

To be made at the start of the agenda item in question, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

6 **Minutes** (*Pages 1 - 4*)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting.

7 Cardiff Short Breaks at Ty Storrie CSSIW Inspection

Report of the Assistant Director Children's Services (to follow)
Bridgette Gater (Director, Action for Children) will be in attendance at the meeting.

8 St David's Day Fund - Award of Funding (Pages 5 - 32)

Report of the Director Social Services

9 Education Item

Gillian James (Achievement Leader, Closing the Gap) will be in attendance to provide any updates.

10 Draft Annual Report

(Report to follow)

11 Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee Overview/Work Programme - Discussion Item

To provide Members with a Committee overview, work programme and Member Visits (to follow)

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Information item 13 is confidential and not for publication by virtue of paragraphs 12 and 21 of Parts 4 and 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. The public will be excluded from the meeting for the presentation of this item in accordance with the same legislation.

INFORMATION ITEMS

The following 5 items are provided to the Committee as information items. An opportunity will be provided to submit questions about reports presented for information, if answers will be included as part of the minutes at the next meeting.

12 Crosslands CSSIW Inspection (Pages 33 - 48)

Report of the Director Social Services

13 Regulation 32 Reports (Pages 49 - 100)

This report and appendices are not for publication in accordance with Paragraph 12 and 21 of Parts 4 and 5, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and the public will be excluded for consideration of this item.

- 14 Fostering Service, Annual Quality Assurance Report (Pages 101 124)
- 15 Performance Report: Q4 and annual outturn (Pages 125 142)
- 16 Complaints Report: Q4 and annual outturn (Pages 143 150)
- 17 Date of next meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel is 16 January 2018.

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Director Governance & Legal Services

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