CORPORATE PARENTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

16 January 2018

Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee: Work programme

Reason for the Report

1. This report is presented as an update to the discussion of the Work Programme at the October 2017 Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee meeting.

Background

- 2. Ahead of the October 2017 Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee meeting members were provided with a paper outlining a proposed structure for the committee's work programme. At the meeting, Members agreed the proposal, stepped forward as leads for each of the five themes and identified services they wished to visit.
- 3. Since the October meeting Operational Managers have been identified as support to Members on their identified work strands.

| Theme | Member | Officer |
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| Prevention 1. Effective early intervention and prevention. | Cllr Bablin Molik | Jan Coles |
| Safely reducing the number of looked after children. | | Sarah Woelk/Dan Jones /Alys Jones |

| The experience of looked after children and outcomes 3. Promoting permanency | Cllr Graham Hinchey | Debbie Martin Jones and Team Managers |
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| 4. Providing high quality placements. | | |
| 5. Provide young people leaving care with appropriate preparation for adult life, taking account of all of their needs including their wellbeing. | | |

| Specialist services 6. Continue to improve services for children with disabilities, including short break care. | Cllr Sue Lent | Sarah Woelk |
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| 7. Improve and support the emotional health and mental wellbeing of looked after children. | | Jan Coles |
| Education | Cllr David Walker | |
| 8. Improve the education attainment and achievement for all looked after children. | Cili David Walker | Gill James |
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| The role of the Corporate Parenting within the Council 9. Strengthening the role of the Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee within the Council. | Cllr Ashley Lister | Dan Jones |

- Now that lead members have been identified together with officers, lead members will need to agree the milestones and activities to progress their work strands.
- 5. It is anticipated that lead members will update the Committee at future meetings on progress.

Financial Implications

6. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications

7. There are no legal implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION

8. The recommendations are to note the information and decide next steps.

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