

CORPORATE PARENTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

11th March 2024

CORPORATE PARENTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024

Reasons for the Report

1. The terms of reference require the Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee to:
Submit an Annual Report on the work of the Committee to full Council.
2. A copy of the Committee's Annual Report 2023/2024 is attached at Appendix 1.
This report outlines the Committee's activities from June 2023 – March 2024

Background

3. The overarching objective of the Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee, as stated in the terms of reference is to champion the life changes and rights of Children Looked After; Children in Need; Care Leavers and children and young people in the criminal justice system across the Council with Elected Members and partners.
4. The term 'corporate parenting' indicates that the local authority has the same interest in the progress and attainment of looked after children as any reasonable parent has for their own children.

Financial Implications

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

Legal Implications

6. There are no legal implications from this report

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is recommended to:

- 1) Provide comments on the contents of the Committee's Annual Report 2023/24.
- 2) Delegate authority to the Director of Children's Services in consultation with the Chair, to finalise the Annual Report, having regard to comments provided by Members of the Committee and Members of the Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee; and
- 3) Ask the Chair to present the Annual Report to full Council in June 2024.

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Director of Children's Services

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