

# MINUTES OF THE CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE MEETING (FORMAL) HELD AT 6:00PM, ON WEDNESDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2022 BOURGES/VIERSEN ROOMS, TOWN HALL, PETERBOROUGH

**Committee Members Present:** Councillor Jones, (Chairman (Chair), Yasin (Vice Chair) Councillors Jackie Allen, Ayres, Barkham, Bisby, S Bond, Knight, Robinson and Sainsbury.

Officers Present: Ricky Cooper, Assistant Director, Children's Services

Matthew Gladstone, Chief Executive Peterborough City Council Elaine Redding, Interim Executive Director Children's Services

Nicola Curley, Children's Services

Myra O'Farrell, Head of Corporate Parenting Katie Liddle, Designated Nurse Children in Care Shalina Chandoo, Quality Assurance Lead

Amanda Carter, Team Manager, Resources Team

Dee Glover, Headteacher Peterborough Virtual School for CiC and

CPIC (Children Previously In Care)

Joanne Banks, Head of the Regional Adoption Agency Katie Liddle, Designated Nurse for Looked After Children

Dr Aslam, Consultant Paediatrician

Karen S Dunleavy, Democratic Services Officer

Also Present: Glen Crossland, Foster Carer Community Representative

## 13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Howard and Cllr Allen is in attendance as substitute.

### 14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

# 15. MINUTES OF THE CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 20 JULY 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 July 2022 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

### 16. UPDATE FROM FOSTER CARERS COMMITTEE

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to updates from the Foster Carer Committee.

The purpose of the report was to update the Committee about the activities of the Foster Carer Committee (FCC). Key points highlighted included:

- The Foster Carer Community continued to grow in membership numbers and conduct successful meetings.
- Recruitment Ambassadors continued to work in the community to advocate and support recruitment activity.
- There was a Foster Carer Buddy (FCB) system which continued to support new Foster Carers (FC) and arrangements were underway to introduce the FCB to the FC approval assessment processes.
- Support groups were being held face to face.
- The Foster Care Team continued to work on improvements for transport arrangements, which included delegated authority to FCs to manage cancellations, local change of address, emergency arrangements and an annual renewal waiver for long term care arrangements. There would also be arrangements for emergency transport arrangements for new Children in Care (CiC) arrivals.
- A new procedure for passport applications was in place, which involved them being applied for earlier rather than just before the holiday.
- There had been an emergency payment for clothing set up, which FCs would receive by email for a child that had recently come into care.
- Retention visits for foster carers that experienced issues had been successful and many more had remained in the service as a result. Monthly meetings were also held to focus on the issues being raised by FCs and significant improvements had been implemented such as support groups for foster carers with teenagers, mentorship and a support for allegations made.

The Fostering Service Manager and Foster Carer Representative introduced the report and asked Members to note the contents and raise any queries they had with representatives.

- Members were advised that there had been a change of the focus for the foster carer newsletter to cover the cost-of-living issues and provided advice.
- There was a lot of support in the fostering community for issues such as provision of school uniforms. In addition, Facebook acted as a good community tool to help foster cares support one another.
- The Foster Carer Representative advised Members that there had some significant changes over the last few months for FC support, however the transport issues seemed to be taking a long time to resolve. Members commented that there needed to be a Committee, focus to ensure that the transport issues for foster carers were resolved.
- It was important to ensure that all foster carers were looked after and happy with the service as some of the enquiries received for prospective foster carers had come from FCs recommendations.
- The Foster Carer Representative commented about the John Lewis shopping store Christmas advert to encourage more people to become foster carers, which had received a positive impact. In addition, the John Lewis shopping store had been exploring the option to install a recruitment stand within their shops in the new year to attract new FCs.
- Members were advised that the recent Foster Carer awards had been successful, and some had received awards for 45 years' service.

 There was a business support resource that managed the junior Individual Savings Accounts (ISAs) and trust fund saving options for the children's allowances.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimously) to note the contents.

### **AGREED ACTIONS**

The Corporate Parenting Committee noted the report.

# 17. CHILDREN IN CARE COUNCIL (CICC) PARTICIPATION REPORT

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to the work of the Children in Care Council and the outcome of their discussions at meetings and events organised.

The purpose of the report was to update Members on the Children in Care Council activities and participation services.

Key points raised in the discussion included:

- The CiCC had been working on a project to review the wording used for the service provision to young people and children in care. The project would review what language the children preferred the Council to use.
- The Children in Care (CiC) artwork was being used from a recent exhibition to design the new goodbye cards.
- The Peterborough Youth Member of Parliament (MP) recently attended a
  meeting of the CiCC to talk about health and well-being. Discussions
  would be fed back by the MP to the youth pilot research currently being
  conducted on well-being. It was expected that a further visit from the
  Youth MP would take place to share the findings with the CiCC.
- The Young Inspectors had been recognised recently with an award for their participation work.
- Young Trainers with FCs would be transferred to social worker training.

The Quality Assurance Lead introduced the report and asked Members to note the update and raise any queries they had with officers.

- Members commented that it was a great plan to have an authentic voice from the Young Inspectors for social worker training.
- Members suggested that the children and young people should be encouraged to become youth MPs and that hopefully, the recent visit would encourage them.
- The Chief Executive of Peterborough City Council advised Members that he had been scheduled to visit the Contact Centre and asked Members to direct any service issues they had with the family support facility to him.
- There would need to be sensitivity about when Councillors could visit the Contact Centre, and it was anticipated that these would need to take place out of hours.
- The CiCC had given feedback on the performance scorecard update presented at a recent informal meeting. It had been agreed that although they appreciated that certain aspects of the data provided was important,

- they would only like to receive a cribbed version of the report, with a fuller version provided to Councillors.
- Members commented that the CiCC should be congratulated in creating a
  platform of service improvements for children and young people in care
  for years to come and asked the Quality Assurance Lead to feed this
  back to the CiCC Members.
- There had been a representative from the Anglia Ruskin University (ARU)
  Peterborough visit the CiCC to talk about access to higher education. The
  Participation Team was working with ARU to provide feedback to the
  young people in care that had raised queries about the courses on offer.
- There were around 40 young people that had engaged on CiCC event groups, such as youth club, virtual and recruitment events. Information was also shared with foster carers and Independent Reviewing Officers (IROs) to raise awareness and encourage children and young people to get involved in CiCC opportunities. In addition, IRO's and Personal Assistants (PAs) would also put forward potential candidates to become Young Inspectors.
- Members were advised that any service consultation presented to the CiCC would be tracked in terms of what stage it was at, by way of a report. This allowed the CiCC to track the progress of consultations and whether their feedback had been incorporated. Once the CiCC were satisfied that their feedback had been incorporated, it would be signed off on the report.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimously) to note the contents.

### AGREED ACTIONS

The Corporate Parenting Committee noted the report and agreed that:

- 1. Members would feedback any service issues they had about the Contact Centre with the Chief Executive, so that these could be investigated.
- 2. The Assistant Director, Children's Services would follow up on Members visits to the Contact Centres.
- 3. The Quality Assurance Lead would provide Members with the number of young people from the Children in care Council that had attended the ARU open day.

### 18. VIRTUAL SCHOOLS

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to the Annual Report for Children in care for 2020-2021.

The purpose of the report was to inform Members on the activity of the Virtual School (VS) and the educational outcomes of Peterborough's Children in Care (CIC) for the academic year 2020/21. It reflected on achievements and identified areas in need of development to achieve the best outcomes for this vulnerable group. Data contained in the report was for Children in Care who had been in the care of Peterborough City Council for a year or more on 31 March 2021.

The Headteacher Peterborough Virtual School for CiC and CPIC introduced the report and asked Members to note the contents and raise any queries they had with lead officers.

- Members were advised that the emotion coaching for CiC was important to ensure that adults understood why a child in care may behave in a certain way. In addition, it was planned for all schools in Peterborough to be trauma informed.
- Members were informed that the data sets were behind by a year because there had always been a time lag. There were further delays with the Department for Education (DfE)\_data, which would not be available until 2023. Members were advised that they could receive weekly, monthly or yearly attendance from the Virtual School data collector and could share that information, however, it would not be DFE data.
- The Virtual School (VS) team had appointed a strategic lead to track the education of children in need or those on child protection plans, and this had provided the ability to track data in an efficient way. This was to ensure that the right training programme was delivered to schools and social workers in order to support these children in the most effective way. In addition, Members were advised that the team were working to identify children in need that were home educated with the aim to add them to the Virtual School remit.
- The Virtual School team had challenged colleges on the education provision for post 16 unaccompanied asylum-seeking children (UASCs) to ensure that they would be accommodated straight away with education opportunities. Furthermore, this would ensure that the schools and colleges operated a roll on roll off education programme to accommodate UASCs quickly.
- The UASCs were offered ESOL training through the John Mansfield education facility.
- The Post 16 coordinator would work to engage young people in care into education or apprenticeships such as through Duke of Edinburgh and other opportunities. Furthermore, every effort was made to ensure that the YP remained engaged in education.
- There was a rise in mental health issues and the loss of confidence due to Covid for YP in care and this had impacted education and taking exams. Nonetheless, work was underway to address these issues in the spring and summer terms of 2023.
- There had been central funding for the provision of an education phycologist through the Pupil Premium and the need would be identified through the Personal Education Plans. Any child in care or in need would qualify for the support and where there had been a specific need due to historical issues, the child in need would be assessed quickly.
- Members commented that data within the report would be better presented as numbers rather than as percentages in the future.
- Members were advised that care was taken to ensure that children in care were referred to either a clinical psychologist or an educational psychologist, where appropriate. Furthermore, a clinical psychologist would treat trauma issues experienced by a child rather than an education psychologist.
- Education psychologist would feedback the assessment process to the social worker, foster carer and the child, so that they knew why the assessment had taken place.
- If the education psychologist had a concern about CiC trauma, the findings would be referred to the clinical psychologist.
- There was an external provider that collected data on attendance for CiC and alerted the Head of Virtual Schools if there was an issue with unauthorised absence. This would be followed up to check that there

were no safeguarding issues and to ensure that the CiC attended school.

- The Virtual School Head felt that the DfE code of practice could be improved to ensure that the education of CiC was not delayed and interim measures were put in place when they moved out of the city. In addition, it was felt that more support could be provided for CiC health and wellbeing needs following the Covid 19 pandemic as many were suffering with their education.
- The impact of a CiC not being in education included the need for a foster carer to stay at home with the child. Every effort was made to prevent a CiC not being placed in education and this had included no placements made in Kent as there were none available; or in Shropshire as they had not accepted Peterborough's education plan.
- Members commented that the service provided by the Virtual School had been highly regarded by Head Teachers in Peterborough.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimously) to note the report and asked for further data in respect of attendance, children in need that were home educated and data presentation in reports.

### **AGREED ACTIONS**

The Corporate Parenting Committee agreed to note the report and that the Head of Virtual Schools would provide Members with:

- 1. A briefing note on children in care school attendance data on a termly basis.
- 2. The number of children on a protection plan that were home educated.
- 3. The actual numbers as well as percentages in Virtual School reports going forward.

# 19. UPDATE ON NOT IN EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING (NEET)

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to NEET.

The purpose of the report was to inform Members on the activity of the Virtual School (VS) in respect of YP who were NEET.

The Headteacher Peterborough Virtual School for CiC and CPIC, introduced the report and asked Members to note the content and raise any queries they had with officers.

- Members were advised that there were several NEET young people that had missed out on a crucial part of their Key Stage four education, and this had resulted in a lack of motivation and engagement for them. Furthermore, the education offer needed to expand for the NEET cohort, to offer more than just college courses, in order to engage with the young people in care and to reiterate that exams could be taken later. The education engagement issues being experienced for NEET was on par nationally.
- The report highlighted that one young person was waiting for a further education opportunity to present however, they were currently unsure what they wanted to do and which path to take for the future.

- A shortage of employment or the cost of living had not impact young people's career choices. In many cases, the young people had not known what career path they wanted to follow. Some YP had re-engaged in further education and the authority would support them to achieve their aspirations.
- The Chief Executive of the Council commented that if there were work experience or other employment opportunities for YP in care within the Council, that this should be explored.
- The Consultant Paediatrician suggested that an alumni of care leavers could be good mentors for young people that were NEET.
- The Citizenship, Participation and Leisure activities Corporate Parenting Champion, Councillor Barkham, advised that he had negotiated some driving lessons on a pro-bono basis with other driving instructor colleagues for young people in care.
- Driving lessons were currently offered for Cambridgeshire care leavers and this was something alongside a mentorship programme that could be explored for Peterborough.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimously) to note the contents.

### **AGREED ACTIONS**

The Corporate Parenting Committee noted the report and agreed that the Head of Virtual School would:

- 1. Explore the opportunity of care leavers to become mentors for NEET young people in care.
- 2. Explore the provision of funding for driving lesson for young people in care, in order to enhance their employment opportunities.
- 3. Engage with the Chief Executive of the Council to discuss work experience or other employment opportunities within the Authority for Young People in Care.

### 20. ANNUAL ADOPTION REPORT

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to Annual Adoption performance.

The purpose of the report was to provide Members with an Annual Report on the business of the Regional Adoption Agency for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Adoption.

The Head of the Regional Adoption Agency, introduced the report and asked Members to note the content and raise any queries they had with officers.

- Members were advised that the Adoption team had worked with the media team around the various myths surrounding adoption qualification, such as age limits. The area that adoption was also harder to tackle had been for sibling groups and this was usually due to the room potential families had available. Nonetheless, the case studies around these various types of adoption scenarios could be used in future marketing campaigns, to help encourage more people to adopt.
- The Adoption Team were in the process of developing podcasts from

- current adopters to talk about their adoption stories with the aim help to promote adoption for the harder to place children.
- The decrease in adoption placements was being investigated by the Adoption team, however there had been an increase in kinship and special guardianship placements. Members were assured that because of the Hertfordshire model that Peterborough had followed, there was no danger of children being missed for adoption placement, which was thought to be a positive outcome.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimously) to note the contents.

### **AGREED ACTIONS**

The Corporate Parenting Committee agreed to note the report and that the Head of Regional Adoption Agency would:

- 1. Use case studies to inform the adoption advertisement campaigns to address the challenging types of adoption placements in order to increase adoption rates.
- 2. Report back to Members on the work underway to identify the reasons why the adoption numbers had lowered for Peterborough.

# 21. Annual Report On Work Of The Corporate Parenting Committee For The Children And Education Scrutiny Committee 2021-2022

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to work of the Corporate Parenting Committee for the Children and Education Scrutiny Committee 2021-2022.

The purpose of the report was to provide Members with a report to the Children and Education Scrutiny Committee on the activity carried out by the Corporate Parenting Committee in the municipal year 2021-2022.

The Assistant Director Children Services, introduced the report and asked Members to note the content and raise any queries they had with officers.

The Corporate Parenting Committee debated the report and in summary, key points raised and responses to questions included:

- Members felt that a small addendum needed to be included within the report to Children and Education Scrutiny Committee to accurately reflect the figures of children in care, as the data within the report represented an inaccurate account of the position for Peterborough.
- The Chief Executive of the Council commented that placement sufficiency figure challenges could be discussed at Corporate Leadership Team. The Head of Corporate Parenting advised that the area was a challenge and that the team worked to ensure to keep the figures down by implementing early intervention in fostering support alongside health services. The team would also commission extra resources if needed. It was rare for there to be an immediate breakdown in placements and there were no children without one.
- The Fostering Service had met at target of 60% of children being in foster care with in-house homes. This had been achieved by support from the fostering community working alongside the team.
- Members were advised that the reason children, had moved around could be because of type of match, or that a foster carer had left the service.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and RESOLVED

### **AGREED ACTIONS**

The Corporate Parenting Committee noted the report and agreed that:

- 1. The Head of Corporate Parenting would include an addendum to the Corporate Parenting annual report to Children and Education Scrutiny Committee to accurately reflect the figures of children in care; and
- 2. Provide Members with a briefing note outlining the reasons why children in care move around placements.
- 3. The Chief Executive of the Council would include an item on a future agenda for the Corporate Leadership Team to discuss the challenges around children in care placement sufficiency.

### 22. PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to Performance Data for Children in Care and Care Leavers.

The purpose of the report was to update Members in respect of the numbers of children and young people being looked after by the Council as of September 2022 by providing a breakdown of the types of placements in which they were living. The report also provided information about the age, gender and ethnicity of those children and young people.

The Committee was also advised that going forward there would be a change to the headings on performance report to ensure that they were more meaningful to CiCC. The Head of Corporate Parenting introduced the report and asked Members to note the contents and raise any queries with officers

- Members commented that the figure for care leavers, with a pathway plan in place seemed to fluctuate during the year, particularly in the summer period. Members were advised that there had been some sickness in the service area, which had impacted the pathway plans being completed. Nonetheless, the October 2022 scorecard data had risen, and that would show an improvement going forward.
- Members commented that they would benefit from seeing what a pathway plan looked like. In addition, there was a review currently underway in consultation with the Care Experienced YP, to improve the format of pathway plans and that it would be beneficial to share the current and the revised version with Members, to outline where the areas of challenge were.
- Members were advised that the staying in touch arrangement for YP was the
  most important factor in terms of a pathway plan achievement for them.
  Members were advised that the team would never achieve a 95% target for
  completed pathway plans, and this was due to a small number of care
  experienced young people that were already settled with their own plan for
  future progression.
- The child in care review statutory visits had been a challenge recently for the Social Worker team to keep on target and this was due to staff vacancy issues and some carers that had taken their family away on holiday during the summer period. There had been creative ways to explore how the team would tackle the issue, such as sending an alternative person that knew the child to conduct the review. There were staff vacancies and a recruitment

process had been conducted to improve the situation, therefore, the low performance figures were not set to continue for statutory children in care reviews.

- The unsuitable accommodation was a performance indicator set by the DfE and included some YP that may be in prison or living in a hostel.
- There was no pattern as to why children go missing, however, there had been a link to good weather but that had not been the main reason. The reason the target would never be zero, had been because some YP were deemed missing purely because they had not returned home on time and therefore, carers had a duty to report them as missing. There were other factors such as whether they were going into school or if they had money, which had contributed to missing incidents.
- Foster carers were trained to know what to do if a child had gone missing and to mitigate the issues. Furthermore, meetings were held with the foster carer and the YP or child in care to highlight the reasons why the missing episodes had occurred.
- There were many factors as to why a YP or child in care had gone missing, and it would be useful for Members to receive a triangulated report to cover all the scenarios such as possible exploitation, missing episodes, placement stability and NEET to identify the risk factors involved and the Council's response to them.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimously) to note the contents.

### **AGREED ACTIONS**

The Corporate Parenting Committee noted the report and agreed that The Head of Corporate Parenting would:

- 1. Provide Members with a briefing note to show an example of what a pathway plan looked like.
- Provide Members with a report at a future Committee meeting to outline all the scenarios around why Children and Young People go missing, what the risk factors were and what the Council's response was to those risks.

## 23. PERFORMANCE REPORT (HEALTH)

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to Health Services for Children and Young People in Care.

The purpose of the report was to provide Members with an update on health and dental services for children in care. The report provided an overview of the Integrated Care Board's (ICB) activities to ensure robust monitoring and quality assurance systems were in place to meet the health needs of Peterborough's Children in Care including those with a disability. Members were also advised of several developments which included:

- A couple of dentists had volunteered their services for CiC and were located in Ely.
- The refugee camp was offering one to one counselling sessions to Asylum Seeking Children for 2022-2023.
- A meeting was held with the Champion for 0-25 Physical and Mental Health and Emotional Well Being about the development of a

questionnaire to gain feedback from the CiCC to find out how the health services for CiC and YP were received and what issues were being experienced.

The Designated Nurse, Children in Care introduced the report and asked Members to note the content.

- The Corporate Parenting Committee debated the report and in summary, key points raised and responses to questions included:
- Members commented that the health assessment completed on time data of 44% completion rate was lower than it should be. Members were advised that all health assessments were achieved for CiC, however, there could be a delay of about a day or two. In some cases, there had been an issue with carer availability, missed appointments, capacity of NHS staff or transport issues.
- Members raised concerns over the dental service to YP and children in care in relation to the delays and asked for the Health team to be more determined about finding services.
- There were issues with registration for dental services as most surgeries were no longer accepting NHS patients.
- Members were advised that emails were sent to all NHS dentists within Peterborough and Cambridgeshire to highlight the issues with appointments for CiC and YP care experienced. In addition, there were working groups nationally and locally that met regularly to work towards a resolve.
- Members were asked whether there had been physical visits made by the Health Services to dentist surgeries, to explain the issues being experienced in the care system. The Consultant Paediatrician advised that all dentist surgeries had been sent an email in Peterborough and Cambridgeshire to invite them to join a chic dental service for CiC and there had been positive responses received.
- The Chief Executive of Peterborough City Council raised concerns over the
  dental services and the low figures for completed health assessments for CiC
  and YP, and that the Authority should ensure that support was provided by
  any means possible. There were new dentists opening locally and
  conversations needed to happen to encourage them to provide treatment to
  CiC and YP in care.
- Members were advised that some foster carers had registered with private dentist as they felt so passionately about providing treatment for the children in their care.
- Members were advised that dental training had been provided to the staff in health teams, however, that was in no way a replacement for professional dental treatment.
- Members commented that there had been an issue with a delay in the NHS contract negotiations to provide dental support and that there had also been a lack of dentist generally. In addition, it was advised that the Health Scrutiny Committee had been investigating the issues around dental services and it had been highlighted at a recent meeting that there needed to be low level dentist staff to carry out low level tasks. This would free up the dentists to work on higher-level teeth treatment. Furthermore, Peterborough dentists were generally paid a lesser amount than neighbouring areas and this had also contributed to them only wanting to take on private patients.
- Members were advised that the consent needed for initial health assessments had to come from the biological parents and this had sometimes held up to complete the health check.
- The reasons for late referrals for health assessments had been due to a combination of factors, such as a child arriving late in the care system on the

day, issues with the quality of referrals and birth parents giving consent.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimously) to note the contents.

### **AGREED ACTIONS**

The Corporate Parenting Committee agreed to note the report and that the Designated Nurse for Looked After Children would:

- 1. Include further information within Corporate Parenting Committee health reports to outline the reasons and challenges that were being experienced in completion of CiC health assessments on time.
- Conduct a face-to-face visit to dental surgeries in order to encourage them to address the issues of dental service provision for CiC and YP and encourage more dentists to volunteer their services.

### 24. MEMBERS ISSUES

Members that were not part of the core CPC membership, but held corporate parenting responsibilities, were invited raise issues they had with regard to the services provided to Children in Care (CiC).

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered and **RESOLVED** that there were no issues to raise.

### 25. CORPORATE PARENTING CHAMPIONS

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to Corporate Parenting Champion positions.

The purpose of the report was to provide Members with an outline of the current Corporate Parenting Champions positions and allocations

The Assistant Director of Children's Services introduced the report and asked Members to note the content and to review the current Corporate Parenting Champions positions and allocations.

The Corporate Parenting Committee debated the report and in summary, key points raised and responses to questions included:

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimously) to note the contents.

# **AGREED ACTIONS**

The Corporate Parenting Committee agreed to note the report and

- Confirmed the amended Corporate Champion roles,
- Confirmed the responsibilities of the Corporate Champion roles and reporting requirements; and
- Confirmed the appointments to the revised Champion roles as follows:
  - I. Support for Care Experienced Young People (Housing, Finance and

- Asylum Issues) Councillor Sandra Bond
- II. 0-25 Education, Employment and Training (including the Combined Authority and Partners) Councillor Sainsbury
- III. 0-25 Physical and Mental Health and Emotional Well Being Councillor Robinson
- IV. Citizenship, Participation and Leisure activities Councillor Barkham
- V. Fostering Retention Councillor Knight
- VI. Fostering Marketing and Recruitment Councillor Jones

### 26. START TIME OF MEETINGS FOR 2023/24

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to start time of formal and informal meetings to be held in 2023/24

The purpose of the report was for Members to discuss and agree the start times for meetings from the beginning of the Municipal Year 2023-24. The draft schedule of meetings would be agreed at Full Council on either 25 January or 22 March 2023

The Democratic Services Officer introduced the report and asked Members to note the content and agree the start time of meetings for Municipal Year 2023-24.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimously) to note the contents.

### **AGREED ACTIONS**

The Corporate Parenting Committee agreed the start time for all formal and informal Corporate Parenting Committee meetings for the Municipal Year 2023-24 as follows:

- 6:00PM formal
- 5.30PM informal

### 27. WORK PROGRAMME 2022 – 2023

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to the work programme for 2022-2023.

The purpose of the report was to enable the Committee to discuss the work programme.

The Democratic Services Officer introduced the report and asked Members to put forward any items they would like to see included on the agenda for forthcoming meetings

- Members agreed to receive a report on 15 March 2023 in relation to the reasons CiC that go missing and the risk factors involved.
- Members commented that they had been invited to the Centre 33 event and that it would be beneficial for the service to attend a future meeting.
- An update on the dental service improvement work would be provide at the informal meeting due to be held on 18 January 2023.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimously) to note the contents and agreed the Work Programme for 2022-2023

### **AGREED ACTIONS**

The Corporate Parenting Committee noted the report and agreed that:

- A report on CiC that go missing would be added to the work programme for 15 March 2023
- The Democratic Services Officer would invite Centre 33 to attend a future Corporate Parenting Committee meeting.
- The Participation Team would raise the services available through Centre 33 with the CiCC to encourage engagement.
- The Designated Nurse for Looked After Children would provide a briefing note to update the Committee on the work undertaken to improve the dental services for CiC at the informal meeting due to be held on 18 January 2023

CHAIRMAN END 8:17PM