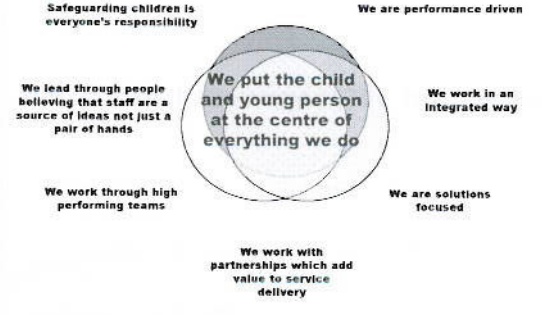


**Corporate Parenting Presentation
17th November 2009**

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Our Core Values



Safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility

We are performance driven

We work in an integrated way

We are solutions focused



We work with partnerships which add value to service delivery

We work through high performing teams

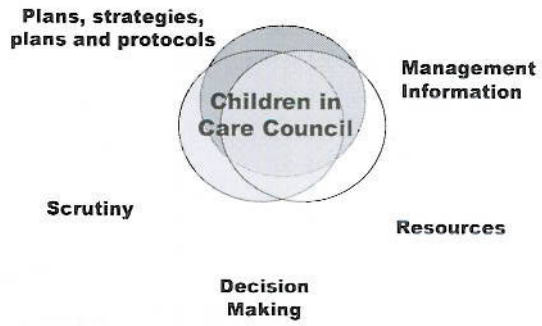
We lead through people believing that staff are a source of ideas not just a pair of hands

We put the child and young person at the centre of everything we do

As the corporate parent of children in care, the state has a special responsibility for their well being. Like any good parent it should put its own children first. That means being a powerful advocate for them to receive the best of everything and helping children to make a success of their lives

Components of effective corporate parenting



Plans, strategies, plans and protocols

Management Information

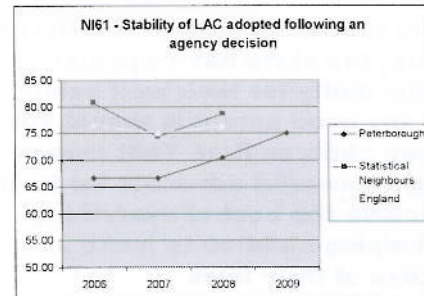
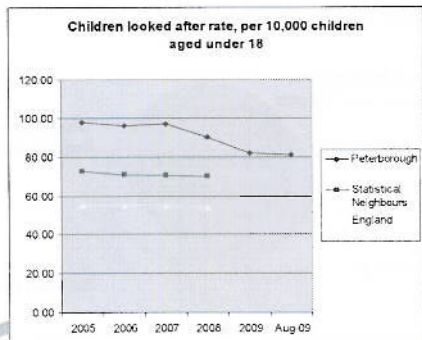
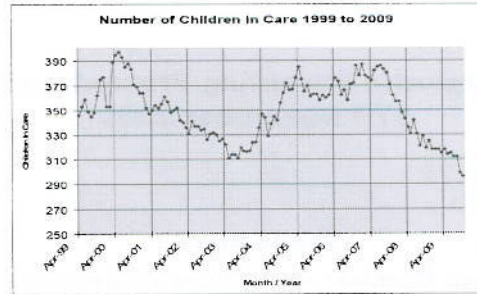
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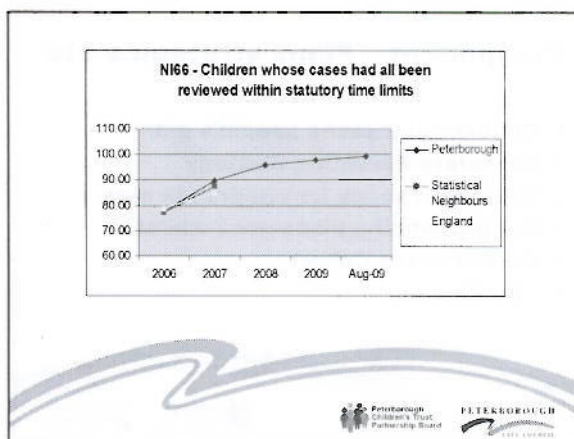
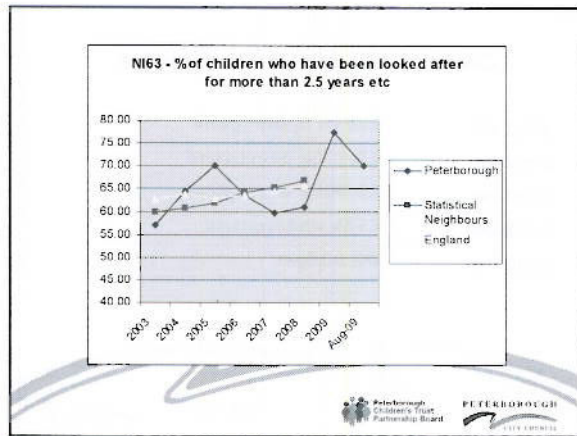
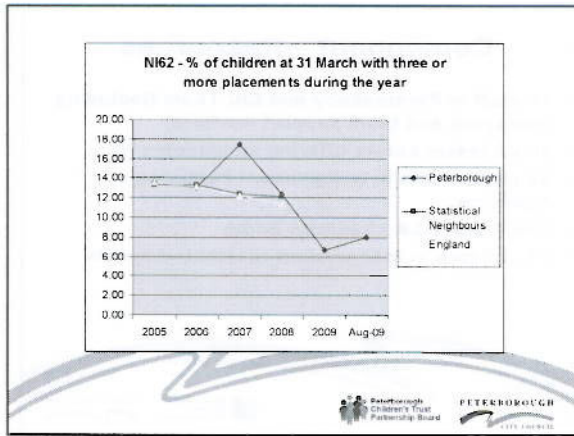
Decision Making

Scrutiny

Children in Care Council

Component – Management Information





Some other Statistics

Participation of children in their reviews	94.2%
Number of children adopted	12
Number of children placed for adoption	23
Fostering and adoption services	adequate
Allocation to QSW	100%
Numbers of care leavers at university	7

Peterborough Children's Trust Partnership Board
PETERBOROUGH
CITY COUNCIL

Overall Budget Positions

2005-06	£381k underspend
2006-07	£3,106k overspend
2007-08	£2,968k overspend
2008-09	£13k underspend
2009-10	On budget



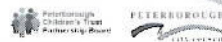
Component – Resources

- 15 staff in Permanency and CiC Team (including managers and team support workers)
- 90 LA foster carers offering xx placements
- 62 placements in Independent Fostering Agencies
- One 6 place LA children's home
- 11 children in independent residential homes



Component – Scrutiny

1. Corporate Parenting Group
2. Creating Opportunities and Reducing Inequalities Scrutiny Committee
3. Children in Care Council



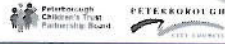
Component – Plans/strategies etc

- Children and young people's plan
- Corporate Parenting Strategy
- Education policy for children in care
- Commissioning placement model
- Reducing the Cohort
- The Pledge



Component – Decision Making Arrangements

- **Threshold to care meetings**
- **Placement support meetings**
- **Family group conferences**
- **Joint funding panel**
- **Legal planning meetings**



Component – Children in Care Council

- **Formed for approximately 18 months**
- **Increasing membership at present**
- **Attending Corporate Parenting Group twice per year**
- **Actively engaged in developing the Pledge**
- **Involved drawing up governance arrangements**



Developing Corporate Parenting Council-wide

- **Provide information about the expectations on corporate parents to all councillors**
- **Every Councillor to sign up to the Pledge**
- **Removing barriers from other council and partner services to provide easy access to children in care**
- **Regular celebration of the achievements of children in care**



