

Children in Care Council update for Corporate Parenting committee:

Following the informal Corporate Parenting Committee on the 5th October a number of actions have been taken forward.

- Children in Care Pledge and Contact Card.

Folding Z-cards have been designed by the Children in care council and will be going to the design team to turn into a reality. It is thought that these will replace the need for coming into care packs for young people but this will be reviewed going forward.

- Celebrating Young Peoples achievements.

It has been agreed that instead of an annual awards event young people can be put forward for achievement recognition throughout the year. This will be collated monthly and a Certificate and Letter of recognition will be sent out alongside a Gold Star achievement badge. It was agreed at the informal meeting that Cllr Sam Smith will sign these letters each month, but the process will be overseen and collated by the Participation workers.

- Christmas party

A Teen Christmas Disco is being planned for the 22nd December at the town hall reception room. This will include a DJ, cold buffet food and photobooth as requested by the Children in Care Council. This is aimed at 10-18 year olds and will complement the Christmas party organised by the Foster Carers for younger children. It is envisaged that we could offer a similar celebration event in the summer for all ages.

- Children in Care Council

Members are looking forward to attending an Eastern Region CiCC event being hosted by the Childrens Commissioner for England Anne Longfield OBE on the 12th November. This will be an opportunity to meet with other Children in Care Council's from across the region to share ideas and share practice.

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