

CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE:

RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN MUNICIPAL YEAR: MAY 2023 - APRIL 2024

OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

No.	DATE AND TYPE OF MEETING	AGENDA ITEM	AGREED ACTION OR RECOMMENDATION	OFFICER RESPONSIBLE	DUE DATE	CURRENT STATUS/ ACTION UPDATE
2.	Formal – 22 November 2023	Performance Report	To provide Members with a drill down into age groups for children in assisted living residential care to show how long they had been in this type of care and their journey, compared year on year.	Gary Jones/Myra O'Farrell	4 January 2024	Briefing note to be provided and circulated to Members by end of March 2024.

COMPLETED ACTIONS

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1	Informal - 14 June 2023	Item 6 - Role Of Champion Members 2023 – 2024	The Corporate Parenting Committee Members confirmed that they wished to retain their current Parenting Champion Role with Councillor Cole being nominated for the 0-25 Physical and Mental Health and Emotional Well Being position or 0-25 Education, Employment and Training (including the Combined Authority and Partners)	Democratic Services Officer	19 July 2023	19 July 2023 – The nominations were presented to the formal meeting.
2	Informal – 14 June 2023	Item 10 - Questions From The Children In Care Council	The Chairman would review the agenda paperwork with the Democratic Services Officer going forward.	Chairman/Democratic Services Officer	30 August 2023	Ongoing
3	Formal – 19 July 2023	Item 8 Annual Fostering Service Report	The Service Director, Fostering and Adoption for Peterborough and Cambridgeshire to provide Members with an organisation chart and associated information on the shared fostering service provision.	Brian Relph - Service Director, Fostering and Adoption for Peterborough and Cambridgeshire	30 August 2023	Since the foster carer decoupling from Cambridgeshire, this action point is no longer relevant.
4	Formal – 19 July 2023	Item 5 - Children In Care Council (CiCC)	The Participation Team would inform the Leaving Care Service that there could be work experience opportunities available through Council departments and partners to support the public speaking initiative for CLs.	Shalina Chandoo - Lead for Quality Assurance , Participation and Independent Visiting	25 August 2023	Completed – referral made to the Leaving Care Service

		Participation Report				
5	Formal – 19 July 2023	Item 6. Appointment Of Champion Members	RESOLVED (Unanimously) to the following Champion roles and appoint Councillors to those positions as nominated: 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 Cole III) 0-25 Physical and Mental Health and Emotional Well Being , Councillor Hemraj IV) Citizenship, Participation and Leisure activities, Councillor Casey V) Foster Carer Retention , Councillor Bi VI) Foster Carer Marketing and Recruitment , Councillor Jones	N/A	19 July 2023	Champion roles and appointments ratified by Committee
6	Informal – 14 June 2023	Item 8 – Performance Presentation Update	That the Interim Head of Corporate Parenting would explore whether an explanation could be included in future performance scorecard reports to state the reasons why children and young people moved into care.	Micheala Berry – Interim Head of Corporate Parenting	19 July 2023	Cllr Jones, Gary Jones and Myra O’Farrell to meet with the Cllrs that raised the query to discuss the format of performance reports. Training conducted on 22 February 2024
7	Formal – 19 July 2023	Item 7. Draft Work Programme 2023 – 2024 And Review of Work In 2022 - 2023	RESOLVED (Unanimously) to note the contents and agreed the Work Programme for 2023-2024	N/A	19 July 2023	Work Programme agreed by Committee at its meeting
8	Formal – 19 July 2023	Item 8 Annual Fostering Service Report	Members of the Committee would share any ethnic community group links they had with the Foster Carer Team, to help with the Foster Carer recruitment campaign.	Committee Members	30 August 2023	Ongoing The foster care champions held meetings with the Muslim community and will be attending a radio in late September to create greater awareness.
9	Formal – 19 July 2023	Item 9 Annual Adoption Report Regional Adoption Arrangements	The Head of Regional Adoption Agency would provide a RAG rated Service Plan for future annual reports.	Joanne Banks - Head of Regional Adoption Agency	30 August 2023	Ongoing
10	Formal – 19 July 2023	Item 10 Annual Independent Review Officer	Would work with the CiCC to explore the implementation of a Pen Profile feature written by CiC.	Marie Saunders - Deputy Safeguarding Lead	24 August 2023	Meeting arranged for Sept 12th to discuss with Childrens Social Care and

		(IRO) Report 2022 - 2023				representatives from Fostering teams to discuss implementation. CiCC being asked to set out and agree format, design and questions they would like to include on their 'This is me' profile and feed back to Marie to progress. Further update will be given by next meeting
11	Formal – 19 July 2023	Item 10 Annual Independent Review Officer (IRO) Report 2022 - 2023	Feedback the progress to Members of the Committee in relation to the creation of a Pen Profile feature for CiC.	Marie Sanders - Deputy Safeguarding Lead	24 August 2023	As above
12	Formal – 19 July 2023	Item 12 Performance Report	The Service Director, Children's Social Care and Targeted Support would provide Members with: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Some narrative within future reports in relation to why performance figures had increased for family safeguarding caseloads; 2. The reasons why children had come into care within future performance reports, where feasible. 3. A briefing note on the findings of whether some children in care could return to their family home with the provision of extra support, where appropriate. 	Gary Jones - Service Director, Children's Social Care and Targeted Support	30 August 2023	Gary to include in future reports Cllr Jones, Gary Jones and Myra O'Farrell to meet with the Cllrs that raised the query to discuss the format of performance reports. COMPLETED Gary to provide a briefing note on the process of children returning to their family home.
13.	Informal – 27 September 2023	Item 4. Children In Care Asked and We Did Update 2023	The Participation Team would work with the CiCC to deliver more Music Hub themed projects for children and young people in care.	Shalina Chandoo, Children in Care Council and Peterborough Care Leaders	26 October 2023	Participation Team has asked the CiCC and Youth Club if they would like any activities arranged with the music hub and will arrange these as requested by children and young people. - 21 December 2023
14.	Informal – 27 September 2023	Item 5 Performance Update Presentation	The Executive Director Children and Young People's Service would conduct an exercise to explore the current care leaver offer for care leavers and review what was provided and how it could be approved. In addition, a report to be consulted with CiCC, CLs, and Corporate Parents to report on the findings.	John Gregg, Executive Director Children and Young People's Service	26 October 2023	Decision to be taken by Cabinet on 11 March 2024 Peterborough City Council Care Leavers Local Offer - KEY/11MARCH24/06
15.	Informal – 27 September 2023	Item 5 Performance	The Executive Director Children and Young People's Service would review the Performance Report with the aim to set	John Gregg,	26 October 2023	The Performance Report targets are reviewed

		Update Presentation	appropriate and relevant targets for services to children and young people in care to also include RAG ratings, in preparation for November's Committee meeting.	Executive Director Children and Young People's Service		annually (each financial year). The targets for the corporate parenting scorecard are aligned with the monthly performance monitoring reports and therefore are changed on an annual basis. The SD has met with the Head of the Performance Team and they will seek to alter the presentation of the scorecard, however, a RAG and comments will need to be done by children's services. COMPLETED Training was provided to Members of the Committee on 22 February 2024
16.	Informal – 27 September 2023	Item 5 Performance Update Presentation	The Executive Director Children and Young People's Service would investigate with the Housing service department, the issue raised surrounding care leavers being negatively impacted because of failed support in relation to the provision of rent, holding deposits and guarantor issues to secure their homes.	John Gregg, Executive Director Children and Young People's Service	26 October 2023	The Service Director; Head of Service CP and Head of Communities & Head of Children's Commissioning have met to prioritise housing for young people in unsuitable accommodation. Work is underway to prioritise the young people to ensure their housing is suitable. The SD has also asked for a list of all young people under 18 who may be in unsuitable accommodation.
17.	Informal – 27 September 2023	Item 5 Performance Update Presentation	The Executive Director Children and Young People's Service would explore whether positive outcomes could be included on the performance reports going forward.	John Gregg, Executive Director Children and Young People's Service	26 October 2023	Completed The positive outcomes are those where performance has improved which is shown on the score card.
18.	Informal – 27 September 2023	Item. 9 Work Programme	The Executive Director Children and Young People's Service to formulate a plan to provide Committee Members with the training and the tools to adequately challenge the performance indicator reports at formal meetings.	John Gregg, Executive Director Children and Young People's Service	26 October 2023	The Service Director has met with the Head of Performance. We would like to offer a joint training opportunity for Cllr's third week of January 24 with a focus on: Interpreting data

						Understanding targets and how they are set Formulating questions and challenge to officers on the scorecard. Member training completed on 22 February 2024
1.	Informal – 27 September 2023	Item 5 Performance Update Presentation	The Executive Director Children and Young People's Service would provide a briefing note to Members in conjunction with the Champion to outline the outcome of the Housing provision failures for care leavers. Members to confirm if they wish for a formal report on the Housing support provision for Care Leavers following the briefing note submission.	John Gregg, Executive Director Children and Young People's Service Corporate Parenting Committee Members	26 October 2023	1 - The housing needs team and Head of Corporate Parenting have been involved in reviewing and updating the care leavers protocol 2 - We are in discussions about the commissioning of the National House Project and how the housing needs service can help to ensure this is holistic 3 – The head of service for housing and communities has been invited to sit regularly on the corporate parenting committee to ensure we are finding housing support solutions for care leavers
19.	Informal – 27 September 2023	Item 6. Update From Corporate Parenting Champions	The Participation Team would work with the Children in Care Council and Care Leaders to review the Corporate Parenting Champion briefing note to make it more Care Experienced friendly.	Shalina Chandoo, Children in Care Council and Peterborough Care Leaders	26 October 2023	Feedback from children and young people was passed on to the chair and the template amended accordingly in September. No further amendments requested by children and young people – Complete September
20.	Formal – 22 November 2023	Item 4. Update From Foster Carers Committee	The Foster Carer Committee would share the information pack for foster carers with the Committee once completed.	Foster Carer Committee/Sue King	4 January 2024	Completed and sent to Members 4/12/23
21.	Formal – 22 November 2023	Item 5. Children In Care Council (CiCC) Participation Report	The Participation Team would inform the Leaving Care Service that there could be work experience opportunities available through Council departments and partners to support their public speaking project.	Shalina Chandoo	4 January 2024	Currently the PCL members who attended the public speaking training would like to focus on speaking with ARU social work degree students, and delivering training to foster carers. If they would like wider

						opportunities as they become more confident, we will liaise with the LC Service.
22.	Formal – 22 November 2023	Item 6. Peterborough Virtual School	Head Teacher, Peterborough Virtual Schools would explore whether the education journey for young people in care could be tracked and included in future virtual school reports.	Zoe Lattimer	4 January 2024	This will be integrated into the annual report moving forward.
23.	Formal – 22 November 2023	Item 8. Performance Report	To undertake a piece of work to provide quarterly figures into the performance report in relation to the types of interaction and capacity constraints being experienced by the Welland Family Supervised Contact Centre, to align the work being undertaken by the Young Inspectors.	Gary Jones/Myra O'Farrell	4 January 2024	Information to be provided in the scorecard.
24.	Formal – 22 November 2023	Item 8. Performance Report	To include further detail in the scorecard around the delay in the timeliness of adoption figures.	Gary Jones/Myra O'Farrell	4 January 2024	To be noted on the performance scorecard
25.	Formal – 22 November 2023	Item 8. Performance Report	The Head of Corporate Parenting would include Health Service Standards figures data in the performance report to capture how many children had not completed an assessment.	Gary Jones/Myra O'Farrell	4 January 2024	Data to be provided in the performance update presentation for the informal meeting in relation to initial and review health assessments.
26.	Formal – 22 November 2023	Item 9. Health Report	The Designated Nurse, would provide Members with the latest figures on dental treatment take up from the teenage cohort 13 to 17 and 17 to 24.	Katie Liddle	4 January 2024	Data provided and sent to Committee Members 22 December 2023
27.	Formal – 22 November 2023	Item 9. Health Report	The Designated Nurse, would liaise with the Chairman, to produce a letter of thanks to Bushfield Dental Practice for providing a volunteer service to children and young people in care.	Katie Liddle	4 January 2024	Completed
28.	Informal – 31 January 2024	Item 4. Update From The Children In Care Council (CiCC)	The Quality Assurance Lead would share the PEP presentation with Zoe Latimer to be shared with schools.	Shalina Chandoo	N/A	Completed
29.	Informal – 31 January 2024	Item 6. Performance Update Presentation	Chair of the Corporate Parenting Committee would raise the timeliness of health assessments as a concern at the Children's Improvement Board.	Cllr D Jones/John Gregg		Updated provided at the CIB and Members were notified by John Gregg at the formal meeting held on 26 February 2024 that this had happened.
30.	Informal – 31 January 2024	Item 7. Update From Corporate Parenting Champions	Executive Director to meet with Cllr Cole to look at how mapping could be done for children known to Early Help and Social Care where there is a likelihood they could become a child in care.	John Gregg	June 2024	20 February 2024
31.	Informal – 31 January 20234	Item 8. Children in Care Experiences – in Health Provision	The Fostering Service would be asked by the Service Director Children's Social Care and Targeted Support to look at including training for foster carers around the importance of	Gary Jones/Sue King	June 2024	Passed on to Sue King to raise.

			health assessments, and completion of the Strength and Difficulties Questionnaire annually. External Fostering Agencies would also be asked to do the same.			
32.	Informal – 31 January 2024	Item 9. Questions From The Children In Care Council	The Interim Head of Service for Corporate Parenting to address the points raised regarding not dispensing responsibility for care leavers when they reach 18 with the service.	Michaela Berry		Ongoing
33.	Formal – 26 February 2024	Item 4. Update from foster carers committee	The Fostering Service Manager would provide Members with the Regional Eastern Hub data reported to DfE for initial foster carer enquiries, in the annual fostering report going forward.	Sue King	Ongoing	To be provided in the next annual adoption report

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