

Decisions of the Corporate Parenting Panel held on Wednesday 22 April 2015

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DECISIONS:

1. CHILDREN MISSING FROM CARE 2014-2015

Resolved -

- (1) That the work being undertaken by the multi-agency Missing Children Team to safeguard looked after children going missing in Bradford be endorsed.**
- (2) That the multi-agency Missing Children Team be requested to organise a specific event during Children’s Safeguarding Week to highlight the risks around going missing in Bradford.**
- (3) That the multi-agency Missing Children Team be involved in updating the e-learning package on missing children, in the light of updated guidance and the new Missing Protocol.**
- (4) That the multi-agency Missing Children Team be requested to continue to analyse samples from the Missing Return and to consider the use of the ‘Trusted Adult’ model in assessing the reasons why children go missing and to ensure that any learning points are disseminated to Children’s Services.**

ACTION: Assistant Director – Children’s Specialist Services

(Frank Hand – 01274 437915)

2. EMOTIONAL WELLBEING SUPPORT FOR LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

Previous references: Minute14 (2013/14) and 6 (2014/15)

Resolved –

- (1) That Document “N” be referred to the Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee and that the Committee be asked to consider the lessons learned from the use of the ‘Trusted Adult’ model, when reviewing the management of the Pupil Referral Units and the Council’s Behaviour Strategy for children and young people, and how these methods might be used at an earlier stage.**



- (2) That the Assistant Director – Children’s Specialist Services be requested to submit a report to the Panel in twelve months time to update Members on this issue.

ACTION: Assistant Director – Children’s Specialist Services

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3. WORK PLAN 2014/15

Resolved –

That the following matters be included within the Panel’s Work Plan for 2015/16:

- Appointment of Co-opted Members.
- Performance report on the Outcomes for Looked After Children; to include a focus on the role of the Youth Offending Teams and their work with looked after children, and the Judgements for Children’s Homes by Ofsted.
- Annual reports in respect of:
 - Educational Outcomes (to include a breakdown in the figures in respect of ethnicity and location (to Constituency level))
 - Complaints (to include an update in respect of the implementation of the recommendations contained in Document “C”).
 - Independent Reviewing Officer Service.
- Further report on the Single Point of Contact for the Leaving Care Service for young people who are not in education, employment or training.
- Progress report in relation to the Policy on the Adoption and Fostering of Sibling Groups six months after implementation.
- Report on the work of the Virtual School and how it operates, once the additional staffing is in place, to include an update in respect of the work being undertaken to improve the attendance of young people in residential care.
- Changes to Quality Assurance Role and Responsibilities (Regulation 44) and Member Visits to Residential Homes
- Progress report in respect of the ‘Trusted Adult’ model.

ACTION: Assistant Director – Children’s Specialist Services

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