

Decisions of the Corporate Parenting Panel held on Wednesday 11 November 2015 These decisions are published for information in advance of the publication of the Minutes

DECISIONS:

1. EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES FOR LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

Resolved -

- (1) That the Panel supports the continued deployment of Pupil Premium Plus by the Virtual School in response to looked after pupils' needs, irrespective of location or heritage, and to ensure an impact across the District.
- (2) That the Assistant Director, Children's Specialist Services be requested to ensure that the Virtual School has the necessary resources to address the changing nature of the looked after cohort in terms of staffing, expertise and resources.
- (3) That a further report be submitted to the March meeting of the Panel and that this include:
 - The Department for Education data.
 - Comparison with the national figures and those for local authorities within the Yorkshire and Humber region.
 - Comparison with young people who are not looked after.
 - The reasons why some young people are not entered for GCSEs.
 - Outcomes at 5, 7, 11 and 16.
 - An assessment of whether looked after children are catching up with their peers and, if so, by what point in their education.

(Michael Latham – 01274 435777)

ACTION: Assistant Director – Children's Specialist Service Head of the Virtual School

2. VIRTUAL SCHOOL

Resolved -

That a further report to update Members on the work of the Virtual School be submitted to the Panel in 2016/17.

(Michael Latham – 01274 435777)

ACTION: Assistant Director – Children's Specialist Service





3. COMPLAINTS RAISED BY LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Resolved -

That the Assistant Director, Children's Specialist Services be requested to review the exit interview process carried out by the Leaving Care Service, including undertaking consultation with the Children in Care Council, and to submit a report to the first meeting of the Panel in 2016/17.

(Irina Arcas - 01274 435269)

ACTION: Assistant Director – Children's Specialist Service

8. WORK PLAN 2015/16

Resolved -

- (1) That the following amendments be made to the Panel's Work Plan for 2015/16:
 - (i) Residential Care Review be moved to the April 2016 meeting.
 - (ii) A further report on the Educational Outcomes for Looked After Children be included on the agenda for the March 2016 meeting.
- (2) That the following be noted for inclusion on the Panel's Work Plan for 2016/17 in due course:
 - (i) Review of Exit Interview Process
 - (ii) Update on the Work of the Virtual School

ACTION: Assistant Director – Children's Specialist Service City Solicitor

(Gani Martins – 01274 432904)

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