

## Corporate Parenting Development Areas - consultation

Please see below some of the initial areas for the comprehensive development of a new approach to Corporate Parenting, some of these areas have been included as they have been identified directly with children in care, care leavers, children in care council, foster carers and social work staff. Others are identified via Corporate Parenting examples from good and outstanding LA's, they are linked to portfolio areas though there will be some cross over. It is envisaged that members of Corporate Parenting Panel will also become more active in driving change by linking with Exec members to develop the areas below, they (panel members) would be expected to report their progress back to Corporate Parenting Panel to be recorded in the minutes, this is in addition to Corporate Parenting being driven through each of the directorates by the CEO.

It is essential that we are able to report back to children, young people and carers at the regular feedback and consultation sessions as they have raised the need for these improvements and have complained that they repeatedly raise issues but they are not acted upon.

We need to get to a position where any changes to policy relating to Children Looked After goes through consultation with those with lived, living and caring experience prior to changes being made.

This proposal includes Exec members acting as a champions and drivers for the areas below, as mentors for a CLA and also attending Corporate Parenting periodically relevant to the portfolio areas

Education, Employment and Skills	Regeneration, Planning and Transport	Neighbourhoods and Community Safety	Healthy People and Places	Corporate	Children and Families
<p>Children Looked After Education Policy areas: Children looked after school policy e.g.? Have we developed a Looked after policy /offer in conjunction with our schools? Sometimes referred to as Care Aware school policy, that involves coordinated low profile support that doesn't make the child or young person feel different or stand</p>	<p>Children Looked After Housing Policy areas e.g. Leaving care accommodation – local and regional partners brought together to develop a regional offer.  Childrens Homes estate review.  Local Housing based on the right environment considering the</p>	<p>Children Looked After: CSE and CCE development work. Neighbourhood Policy: e.g. Coordinator / Ward Officer communication with children's homes, foster carers and care leavers with regular area information about activities and support that can be accessed in and across wards.</p>	<p>Children Looked After Sports and Culture Offer E.g. Free access to sports and cultural opportunities for a looked after young person and a friend sometimes called a Plus one card.  Free access to sports and activities coaching to encourage / build on aspirations and skills</p>	<p>Children Looked After Policies to include: Council Tax Local and regional exemption e.g. does is their local exemption transferable if they move to a neighbouring authority?  Local Authority Employment Policy to identify vacancy opportunities ring-</p>	<p>Children Looked After Policies; Comprehensive Corporate Parenting, Sufficiency Strategy and Foster Care strategy</p>

<p>out, and includes attendance support and celebration, outside and after school activities and classes e.g. drama, dance, music etc.</p> <p>Virtual School Head teacher progress in relation to their enhanced strategic role and connection Social Care and the development of the above where it doesn't exist already</p> <p>Are Personal Education Plans up to date and reflecting the voice of the child.</p>	<p>importance of relationships, and not based on first accommodation available.</p> <p>Involvement in the suitability of the environment and quality of hostels / houses of multiple occupation.</p> <p>Accommodation for young people returning from University in holiday periods</p>	<p>Links with housing providers and area offices when care leavers move into the area, where they can go for support / Keeping in touch once in independent living.</p>	<p>e.g. higher ability swimming clubs etc.</p> <p>Holiday activity offer?</p>	<p>fenced to Young Care leavers. Ensure that Care Leavers are guaranteed an interview if they meet the essential specification criteria,</p> <p>Include Care Leavers as a protected characteristic.</p>	
<p>Aspiration Bradford, could a specific Children Looked After Offer be developed. E.g. Work taster experience /opportunities</p> <p>Develop employment Offers with LA commercial partners</p>	<p>Transport - bus passes, bike hire for Children Looked After</p>	<p>Youth Work links with CLA, Homes, Foster Carers and Adoption carers.</p>	<p>Over 25s CLA continued support e.g. mental / emotional support.</p>	<p>Development of the role of young mayor and reinstatement of take over days,</p>	<p>Voice and Influence throughout CSC.</p> <p>Advocacy and engagement strategy</p> <p>Young Assessor development?</p> <p>Communication App</p>

for Children Looked After					
A specific Children Looked After Apprenticeship for developed.		Neighbourhood planning / area committee activity and planning for Looked After Children	On line emotional health support system / tool/ development or tap into existing model/ app.	Development of a comprehensive Entitlement APP,	Section 44 visits, Unregulated, Private accommodation and contracting.  Member pledges Member engagement in local Childrens home activity. Members as Children Looked After Champions in all areas. Members and Foster Care Ward Forums.
Classes in Cooking, independent living, managing a budget		Information and advice and Care leavers has this been considered the information available e.g. rights based information.		Consider the appointment of a young Care Leaver to work alongside Childrens DCS.	CLA holidays, Foster and residential care.