

Terms of Reference

Overall Purpose

To secure elected member and cross organisation support and commitment for delivering improved services and better outcomes for looked after children, young people and care leavers.

Aims and Objectives

1. To raise the profile of looked after children, young people and their carers and act as 'champions' for their needs and rights.
2. To raise the profile of Corporate Parenting across the County Council, district councils and partners, including schools.
3. To advise on the strategic direction of services for looked after children and young people and to agree the Corporate Parenting priorities on an annual basis.
4. To monitor the delivery of the Pledge commitments to looked after children, young people and care leavers.
5. To listen to the views of children and young people in care, care leavers and their carers and commit to involving them in the review and development of services.
6. To recognise and celebrate the achievements of looked after children, young people, care leavers and their carers.
7. To report annually to Cabinet on its activity.