

Children's Services - Corporate Parenting Overview and Scrutiny Sub Panel

Agenda

3 April 2012, 4.30pm - 6.30pm

Littledown Youth Centre, Chaseside, Bournemouth

Panel Members:

Elected Members

Councillor Anne Rey - Chairman

Councillor Christopher Wakefield - Vice Chairman

Councillor Malcolm Davies

Councillor Susan Phillips

Councillor Allister Russell

1 Vacancy

Councillor Nicola Greene Cabinet Member with portfolio for Education and Children's Services

Non Elected Members

Ms Lynn Giles Action for Children

Mrs Ella Christopher Action for Children

Mrs Janice Gilkes Primary Phase Parent Governor

Mr Ted Taylor Virtual School Governing Body

Fiona Haughey Community Health representative

Lesley Bond Foster Carer representative

Helen Hartnell Foster Carer representative

Vacancy Foster Carer representative

and CLICK Members

Minimum Number of Elected Members required to attend - quorum - 3 members

Note to Elected Members: All Members serving on this Panel are required to have a valid Criminal Records Bureau check on account of contact with young people. Please bear this in mind if you are considering substituting for this Panel, and contact Democratic Services at an early stage for advice

Directions to Littledown Youth Centre:

- The Youth Centre is located within the Littledown complex at Chaseside.
- It is separate to the main building and situated within the main car park. The Youth Centre building is close to the basketball court, at the far side of the car park near Castle Lane.
- A number of main bus routes stop at Royal Bournemouth Hospital, which is opposite the Littledown Centre.

Members of the Public and any Councillor are welcome to attend this meeting.

If Councillors and visitors wish to attend meetings and have particular needs they should inform the Council before arriving at the meeting.

Request to speak - 'Deputation':

Members of the public may send a request for a deputation in relation to items on this agenda. The request must be sent in writing or electronic mail to Matthew Wisdom at the address shown below.

Public Questions:

Any member of the public whose name appears on the Electoral Roll for Bournemouth - which includes a person under the age of 16 years living in Bournemouth and who is escorted by a qualifying adult - may ask a question in relation to items on this agenda. Questions must be sent in writing or electronic mail to Matthew Wisdom at the address shown below.

**THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING REQUESTS TO SPEAK AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS
IS MONDAY 2 APRIL at 4.30 PM**

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Please note that this is a timed agenda

Items for Discussion with the Press and Public Present

1. MEMBERSHIP OF PANEL

The Democratic Services Officer will report on the membership of the Panel together with any apologies.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest from Members of the Panel on matters before the meeting.

3. PUBLIC SPEAKING

To consider any requests by members of the public to address the Panel.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve as a correct record for signing the minutes of the previous Panel meeting held on 10 January 2012. Minutes circulated at 'A'.

5. ICE BREAKER - 4.35 pm - 4.45 pm

6. CORPORATE PARENTING STRATEGY - 4.45 pm - 5.30 pm

To receive a presentation from Lisa Male, Looked After Children Participation Worker, and CLICK members on their suggested format for the Corporate Parenting Strategy for agreement by the Panel.

7. BREAK - 5.30pm - 5.45pm

8. THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - 5.45 pm - 6.30 pm

(a) To consider a presentation from Fiona Haughey, Associate Director, Children and Families, Pan Dorset. A copy of the presentation will be circulated to CPP members at 'B' prior to the meeting. - 5.45 pm - 6.00pm

(b) Break out into focus groups for discussion - 6.00pm - 6.20 pm

(c) Conclusion - any actions to be agreed - 6.20 pm - 6.30 pm

9. MEETING DATES 2012

Further meeting dates for 2012 are scheduled as follows:

- Tuesday 3 July
- Tuesday 2 October

All meetings are scheduled to take place at Littledown Youth Centre, 4.30 - 6.30pm

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

To consider any other business of which prior notice has been received and by special circumstances, which shall be specified in the minutes, the Chair is of the opinion that the items should be considered as a matter of urgency.

Children's Services Corporate Parenting
Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Panel
10 January 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor Christopher Wakefield - Vice-Chair in the Chair; Councillor Blair Crawford, Councillor Malcom Davies, Councillor Susan Phillips, Councillor Allister Russell and Councillor Barry Goldbart - Cabinet Member with Portfolio for Education and Children's Services.

NON-ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lesley Bond	Foster Carer Representative
Ella Christopher	Action for Children
Janice Gilkes	Primary Phase Parent Governor
Ted Taylor	Virtual School Governing Body
1 CLICK Member	

ALSO PRESENT:

Lou Bartlett	Team Manager, Family Solutions Team
Gill Bishop	Service Manager, Looked After Children
Kim Drake	Service Director, Children's Social Care
Jean Haslet	Service Manager, Safeguarding and Quality Assurance
Tony Jackson	Milton House Manager
Paul Johnson	Management Information Officer
Trish Jones	Independent Reviewing Officer
Lisa Male	Looked After Children Participation Worker

The meeting started at 5.00pm and finished at 6.40 pm.

Note: To see a copy of the public reports that were considered by the Panel at this meeting please visit:

<http://www.bournemouth.gov.uk/CouncilDemocracy/Councillors/BoardsPanels/CoporateParentingPanel.aspx>

Please note that the next meeting of the Corporate Parenting Panel is scheduled to take place at the Littledown Youth Centre at 5.00 pm on Tuesday 3 April 2012.

It is recommended that you check this information with Democratic Services closer to the scheduled date of the next meeting in case the arrangements have been changed.

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Agenda Item / Report No.	Minute No.	Decision Status	Matter Considered	Decisions Made
Item 1	1	Public	Membership of Panel	<p>Apologies were received from Councillor Anne Rey, Hilary Evans, Helen Hartnell and 3 CLICK Members.</p> <p>Councillor Wakefield Chaired the meeting in Councillor Rey's absence</p> <p>Councillor Barry Goldbart replaced Councillor Nicola Greene as the Cabinet member with the Portfolio for Education and Children's Services.</p>
Item 2	2	Public	Declarations of Interest	Councillor Goldbart declared a personal interest in that he was a governor of two schools.
Item 3	3	Public	Public Speaking	No requests to speak were received.
Item 4	4	Public	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	The minutes of the meeting held on 22 November 2011 were agreed for signing by the Chair.
Item 8	5	Public	Children's Social Care - How we are doing - Presentation from Paul Johnson, Senior Information Management Officer	<p>The Panel noted the statistics provided on the position and performance of Children's Social Care. These included a number of positives such as placement stability, reviews completed within timescales and assessments completed. Areas for improvement included outcomes for care leavers. However it was noted that this had improved since the statistics were collected and a report on this was due to be considered by a future meeting of the CPP Panel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was agreed that the statistics report would be circulated with the minutes and comments on the format would be invited from members. • The Looked After Children Participation Worker was asked to get feedback on the format from CLICK members. • The Panel asked for a further update on the format of the report at the next meeting.

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Item 6	6	Public	Milton House - Update from Tony Jackson, Milton House Manager	<p>The Panel noted the update on the three pilot programmes which had been running at Milton House. A resident from Milton House attended the meeting and provided an insight into the support received from Milton House. Multi-agency work was seen as a very positive aspect of the provision and the young person commented that "CAMHS was the best service ever". The Panel discussed ways in which young people accessing CAMHS could be improved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Panel would be made aware of Milton House's progress within information provided on residential care under the future work programme. • It was suggested that it would be useful to have a webcast or a buddying scheme for young people to find out about other people's experience of CAMHS. • The Service manager, Looked After Children noted her thanks to the Milton House Manager and the young person.
Item 7	7	Public	Independent Review Officer - Update on Partnership Working	<p>The IRO advised the Panel that work had taken place to bring about a radical change in the paperwork used for the review process and develop an improved format for care plans which was accessible to young people. It was noted that there was increased pressure on the review service due to the process consisting of a series of meetings rather than just one and also the increase numbers of young people. Very positive comments were received from the young person present with regards to the Independent Review Officers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was suggested that an update be brought to a future meeting on how the pressures on Children's Services were managed.

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Item 10	8	Public	Corporate Parenting Strategy - Update from Lisa Male, LAC Participation Worker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that there had only been one chance for the young people to meet to look at the Corporate Parenting Strategy so far, it was therefore agreed to defer this item.
Item 11	9	Public	Family Support - Prevention Work - Presentation from	<p>The Team Manager of the Family Support Team reported on the work of the team which provided supportive work for families to stop young people from becoming accommodated. The team aimed to build on the strengths found within families to improve relationships and prevent family breakdown.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two Members asked for further information on the service to be circulated to CPP Members. The positive service provided by the Family Solutions Team was noted.
Item 12	10	Public	Corporate Parenting Panel - Future Programming of Work	<p>The Service Manager, Looked After Children provided a proposed work Programme for the Panel. The Panel discussed different ways that would be useful in taking the work programme forward; which included looking more at joined up services and identifying specific areas to address through a Task and Finish group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that Young people had requested that the Pupil Premium and the Complaints System were areas that they would like further information on. The Panel asked that the Chair, Vice Chair and Service Manager, Looked After Children meet with Democratic Services to confirm the areas to be addressed under the work programme.