

Statutory Notice of Forthcoming Executive Key Decision

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Title:	The Use of Court Experts in Care Proceedings for Children and Young People
Summary:	The Family Justice Review, undertaken by the Ministry of Justice has outlined changes in how Court Experts should be used in Care Proceedings for children and young people. Experts are required to provide information and evidence regarding the welfare and needs of children and young people to inform the court process. A set of Standards has been introduced which will ensure consistency, quality and accountability of the experts. These standards will also form the basis of the service specification.
Decision-Maker:	County Councillor Matthew Tomlinson, Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Schools
Expected Decision Date:	Thursday, 06 February 2014
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List of documents/ Background Papers Used:	
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