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Agenda

1. Introductions and Apologies

To note who is attending and any apologies for absence.

2. Notes of the Meeting held on 12 September 2013

(Pages 1 - 6)

County Councillor Prynn

To agree for accuracy the notes of the meeting.

3. Matters Arising from the Notes of the Meeting held on 12 September 2013 and Action Sheet (10 mins)

(Pages 7 - 8)

County Councillor Prynn

To receive an update from the matters arising from the notes of the meeting and to discuss where the actions agreed from previous meetings are up to.

4. What our Elected Members have been doing (15 mins)

(Verbal Report)

County Councillor Prynn and other Elected Members

To note feedback from work undertaken by the Chair of the Board and our Elected Members including Members' visits.

5. What Does Our Performance Tell Us? (10 mins)

(Pages 9 - 16)

Mike Sunderland/Young People from LINX

To receive an update on current performance data.

What have our Young People been doing?

6. LINX (Lancashire's Children in Care Council) (60 mins)

Young People from LINX/Barnardos

To receive feedback on the work our young people have been doing and the topics that have been discussed at their LINX meetings ie Leaving Care Accommodation, Pupil Premium Plus, The Entitlements Enquiry and the Annual Report.

What Do We Need to Know

7. **Service Redesign for Children in Need of Help, Protection, Children Looked After and Care Leavers (5 mins)** (Verbal Report)

Diane Booth

To receive an update.

8. **2014 Meetings (5 mins)** (Pages 17 - 18)
County Councillor Pryn

To note the dates scheduled for 2014.

9. **Any Other Business**
County Councillor Pryn

To receive any other business.

10. **Date and Time of Next Meeting**
County Councillor Pryn

Thursday, 6 February 2014 at 6.00pm, The Duke of Lancaster Room (formerly Cabinet Room 'C'), County Hall, Preston.

Information Item

11. **Grant Funding Applications** (Pages 19 - 28)
To note the attached document.

12. **Library of Children Looked After Policies/Strategies** (Pages 29 - 30)
To note the key evidence list of documents for inspectors that has been forwarded for use in the library.

Agenda Item 2

Lancashire County Council

Corporate Parenting Board

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 12th September, 2013 at 6.00 pm
in Cabinet Room 'C' - The Duke of Lancaster Room, County Hall, Preston**

Present: Members

County Councillor Lorraine Beavers	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Margaret Brindle	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Gina Dowding	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Dorothy Lord	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Sue Prynn	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Ian Brown	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Miss Kim Snape	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Ron Shewan	- Lancashire County Council
Catherine Cosslett	- representing Adoption
Bob Stott	- Director of Universal and Early Support Services
Kris	- CiCC Representative
Callum	- CiCC Representative
Maggie	- CiCC Representative
Michelle	- CiCC Representative
Mark	- CiCC Representative
Kat	- CiCC Representative

Co-opted members

Marc Bentley	- Ambassador for Children and Young People
Katherine Ashworth	- Young People's Service, LCC
Mark Hudson	- Independent Reviewing Officer, LCC
Debbie Ross	- Designated Nurse for CLA, representing CCG
Diane Booth	- Children's Social Care

Other Attendees

Barbara Bath	- Fostering Services, LCC
Stuart Chaplin	- Lancashire Children's Rights Service

Suzanne Cheng	- Integrated Health Services, LCC
Gillian Cookson	- Customer Feedback Team, LCC
Mark Elliott	- Governance and Project Support Team, LCC
Chantel Finlay	- Customer Feedback Team, LCC
Sam Gorton	- Governance Team, LCC
Debbie Nolan-Plunkett	- Barnardos
Anthony Moorcroft	- ACERS, LCC
Michael Sunderland	- Strategy Development, LCC
Faye Woodall	- Barnardos

1. Introductions and Apologies

County Councillor Margaret Brindle was welcomed as the Deputy Chair of the Corporate Parenting Board for the remainder of 2013/14 municipal year.

Apologies had been received from County Councillor Henig, Lin Fisher, Jane Simpson, Nicola Bamford, Joanna Hunt, Ismail Karolia, Sue Parr and Kate Baggaley.

2. Notes of the Meetings held on 18 April 2013, 17 June 2013 and 25 July 2013

The notes of these meetings were agreed as accurate records.

3. Matters Arising from the Notes of the Meetings held on 18 April 2013, 17 June 2013 and 25 July 2013

There were no matters arising.

4. What our Elected Members have been doing

County Councillor Prynne updated the Board on the work she had been doing as Chair of the Board.

This included visits to residential settings, supporting the Staying Put project by viewing properties, attending the Speak Out event in Leyland and meeting council teams across the Directorate for Children and Young People.

Some work that Councillor Prynne would be doing in the near future included increasing participation through the development of a secure on-line forum, analysis of statistics relating to suicide rates amongst children looked after and preparations for the next North West Regional Conference.

Regarding the Conference Councillor Prynne told the Board that Dr Maggie Atkinson had kindly agreed to be the keynote speaker. It was noted that through various sources, Maggie had been singing the praises of Lancashire regarding engagement with young people.

5. What Does Our Performance Tell Us?

Louise Mackender de Cari took the Board through the current performance data.

It was noted that work was needed on some parts of the process relating to missing from care particularly around return interviews.

It was agreed that missing from care be included in future reports and LINX be asked if they wish to look at the data in advance of the Board meetings.

6. LINX (Lancashire's Children in Care Council)

The young people updated the Board on work they have been involved with recently.

They had been busy with such things as the meeting with Craig Whittaker MP which will help inform a report to the All Party Parliamentary Group, KOKO training, the Speak Out event and the training of social workers.

It was noted that Kris had today presented to County Councillors as part of the awareness session that had been held.

7. Foster Carer Recruitment and Retention

Barbara took the Board through the current position regarding recruitment and retention, specifically referring to the surveys that Edward Timpson mentioned in his letter of 2 May 2013.

8. Housing Under-Occupancy Rules: Foster Carers, Prospective Adopters and Prospective Special Guardians

The Board had a lively debate on this topic.

The Board was encouraged to take any ideas forward with County Councillors Prynne and Brindle.

9. Beyond All Limits

The Board watched the DVD. The DVD had been produced and performed by some of our talented children with disabilities.

10. Policies

The Board supported the following policies and was happy to see them proceed to the Cabinet Member for approval:

Delegation of Authority
University Fees
Staying Put

11. Customer Feedback Service Annual Report

The Board noted with interest the Annual Report.

The young people were encouraged to discuss the 'what we want from you' slide and come up with ideas as to increase the number of responses to the questionnaire.

Those ideas included posting the questionnaire on KOKO, possible incentives to complete the form and the promotion of the questionnaires by social workers, IROs and other staff groups.

12. Independent Support for Care Leavers

Suzanne introduced the report and answered questions on this topic.

The Board noted the development of service specification and the tender exercise for young people leaving care mentoring scheme that provides an informal relationship for young people approaching adulthood to compliment the current leaving care services.

This is to support young people leaving care as they become adults and independent, at an approximate cost of £40k per annum for 40 young people cases.

13. Residential Care and Fostering

Louise took the Board through the process of commissioning care services.

The Board noted it would receive an update after the first round of commissioning had taken place.

14. Health Complaints Advocacy Launch

The Board noted the information on the Children and Young People's Health Complaints Advocacy Service which helps young people by finding out information, making phone calls, understanding any decisions made, explaining their rights and options, makes formal and informal complaints, prepares for meetings or attend with/for young people and help young people to make their own decisions.

15. Any Other Business

The Board noted that PULSE had been shortlisted for a Young Partners award and an awards ceremony is to be held on 19 October in London.

The Board also wished to change the format of its meetings so that half the meeting is given to the young people to lead and reports and presentations be limited to enable this revised format to work.

16. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The Board noted its next scheduled meeting was to be held on Thursday 5 December 2013 starting at 6.00pm, at County Hall.

17. Grant Funding Applications

The current position regarding applications was noted.

Corporate Parenting Board – Action Sheet – as at 12 September 2013

You Said	We Said	Outcome
Pupil Premium - you wanted to know how they were used in schools for the young people they were provided for.	Through Louise Taylor the Executive Director for Children and Young People Barnardos have been asked to prepare a letter to all schools to find out how the money is used.	
Staying Put/Leaving Care – an update was needed on these important issues.	We would bring a report to the Board and it is on the agenda tonight.	
Suicide – how many young people in care in Lancashire have died due to suicide.	We would research figures for CLA across Lancashire.	
Photographic Consent - an agreed policy across the whole of Lancashire is needed.	We would look at the current policy.	
Inform a report to the All Party Parliamentary Group.	We would like the report to be shared with the Board.	

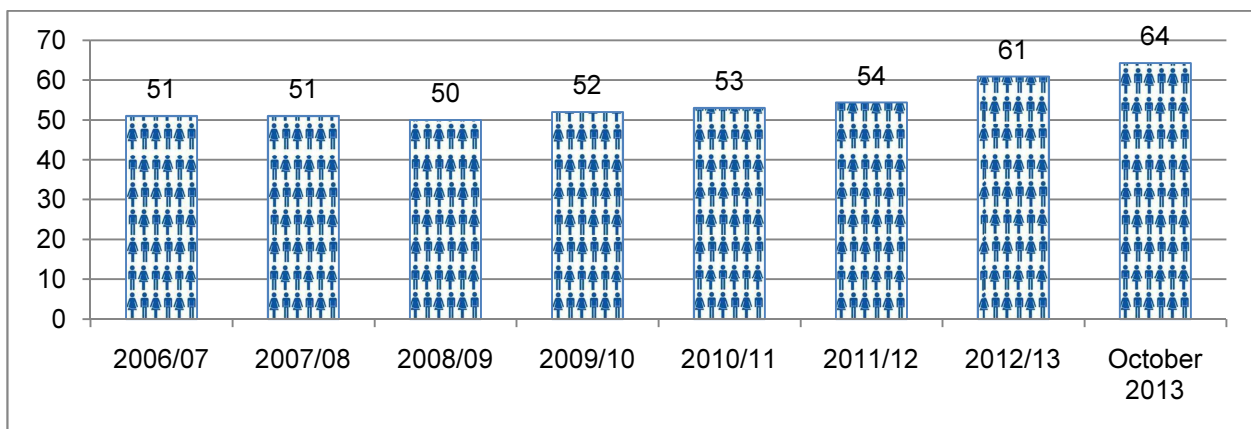
Agenda Item 5

CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD PERFORMANCE REPORT, DECEMBER 2013

ACTIVITY FOR CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER AND CARE LEAVERS

NUMBER OF CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER

- As at the end of October 2013, there are **1,565** children looked after in Lancashire.
- For every **10,000** children and young people in Lancashire, **61** are currently looked after.
- This is higher than in previous years, and the number of children looked after in Lancashire continues to increase each month.
- There are more children looked after in Lancashire than in England where 59 out of 10,000 are currently looked after.
- There are **less** children looked after in Lancashire than the North West (76 out of 10,000) and less than in Lancashire's statistical neighbours (66 out of 10,000).



COMMENTS:

- ❖ Lancashire's number of children looked after continues to increase, and has for the first time risen above the England average.
- ❖ Information to be released will show Lancashire's position compared to others as at 31st March and this information will be included as soon as made available.

➤ There were no comments by the LINX group.

SERVICE ACTIVITY

Service activity helps to explain the rise in the number of children looked after in Lancashire:

- The contact centre has received more referrals than in previous years.
- As a result, the social work teams are carrying out more initial assessments with more children and young people than in previous years.
- The social work teams are also carrying out more core assessments than in previous years. More were completed in the **7 months** between April and October 2013 than in the entirety of 2009/10.



- With more children and young people than ever been identified for referral and assessment, more children are becoming looked after as a result.

	Previous Performance				Current Performance
	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	Oct 13
Contacts <i>per month</i>	--	998	1284	1525	833
Referrals <i>per month</i>	1470	1389	1175	1370	1762
Initial Assessments	8636	10071	9891	11288	7839
Core Assessments	2932	4246	5019	5901	3491

COMMENTS:

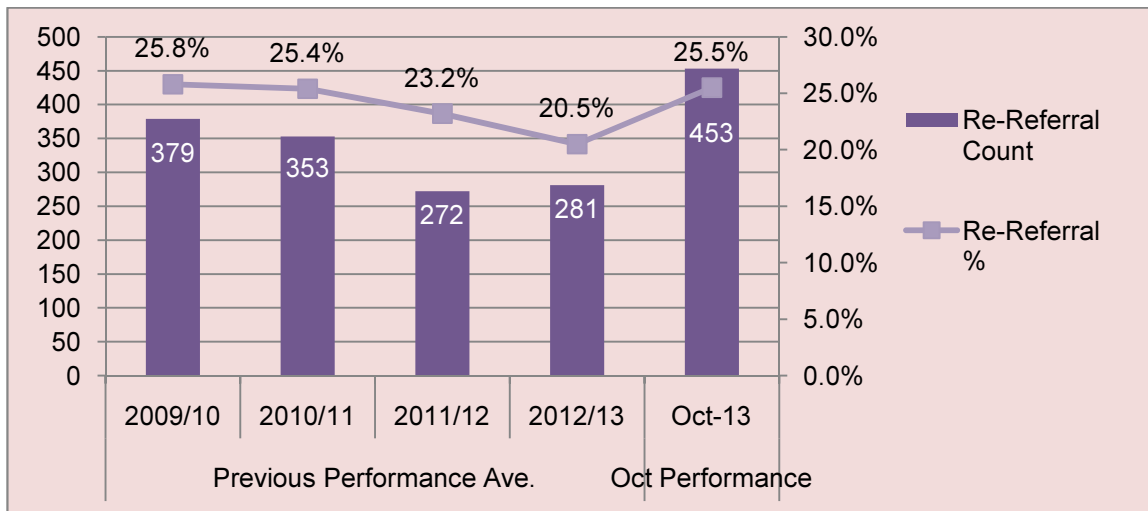
- ❖ Since the introduction of the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) in April 2013, a large number of contacts from the Police have been passed to MASH rather than going through Care Connect. As a result, contacts have reduced significantly.
- ❖ The average referrals per month for the year to date has been 1762, significantly higher than the amount received in previous years.

➤ There were no comments by the LINX group.

RE-REFERRAL RATE

A number of referrals that the authority receives are re-referrals; that is a child or young person has been referred to Children's Social Care once and is being referred again.

- Re-referral rates have historically declined which was considered good performance
 - However, these have increased recently and were reported at 25.5% in October 2013
 - Average re-referral for 13/14 to date also up has increased slightly to 23 re-referrals out of each 100 referrals received
- The LINX group asked about the increase in re-referral numbers, what were the reasons for this and whether there was any specialist team to resolve the increase?
- The group are aware of the increasing work pressures being placed on social work services yet when asked whether the group were continuing to receiving regular support and contact with their social worker in spite of the increasing work pressures the group felt that they were and were supportive of the service they were receiving.



STABILITY OF PLACEMENTS OF CLA: NUMBER OF MOVES

How many children looked after moved placement twice during the past year:

- Out of 100 children looked after, Lancashire targets to have less than 10 children looked after having to move twice or more during the year
- Latest information shows that less than **8** out of 100 children looked have moved twice or more which is good performance and within the target
- This is also an improvement on last year when 9 out of 100 children looked had to move twice or more during the year



Previous Performance		Current Performance	Target	Performance Direction?
2011/12	2012/13	2013/14		
9.5%	8.7%	7.7%	9.5%	😊
↘	↘	↘	✓	

COMMENTS:

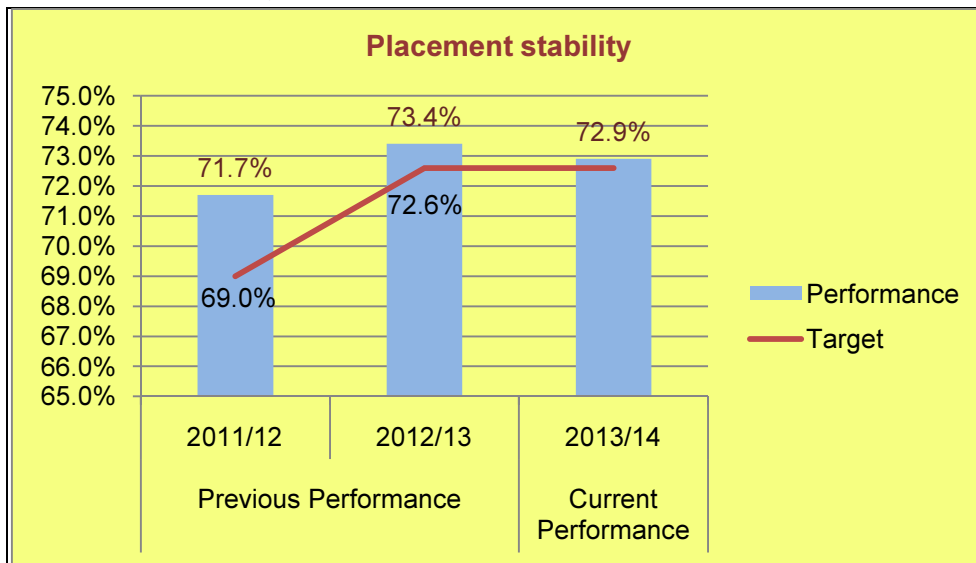
- ❖ Lancashire has carried out good work on placement stability through research projects and improved processes, which has resulted in better performance and improved stability for children looked after.
- ❖ Fewer children than ever have more than 2 placement moves, but further improvement is possible (only 7 out 100 moved in September 2012).

STABILITY OF PLACEMENTS OF CLA: LENGTH OF PLACEMENTS

How many children looked after have been in their current placement for at least 2 years:

- Out of 100 children looked after, Lancashire targets to have more than 72 children looked after settled for a long time in their current placement.
- October 2013 info shows that **73** out of 100 children looked are in a long and stable placement, which is good performance and ahead of target.

- Current performance is an improvement on performance from 2 years ago, and is similar performance to last year's performance.



COMMENTS:

- ❖ Lancashire has carried out good work on placement stability through research projects and improved processes.
 - ❖ This has resulted in better performance and improved stability for children looked after.
 - ❖ Performance has decreased slightly in 13/14, but is still above target.
- The LINX group commented on the positive progress with both the downward path of placement moves and the stable length of placements.

OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER

Outcomes data from education is displayed by academic year rather than financial year.




Educational Attainment of Children Looked After

The key indicator used to measure attainment is the number of children and young people who get 5 GCSEs at grades A* to C including English and Maths:

- Performance in 2011/12 is higher than last year with just over 1 out of 10 CLA achieving 5 A*-C
- CLA attainment remains significantly lower than attainment for all children and young people where 6 out of 10 achieve 5 GCSEs at A*-C

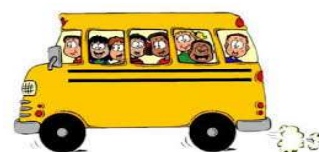
	Previous Performance		Current Performance	Target	Performance Direction?
	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12		
Lancs	18.6%	11.9%	12.9%	18.0%	😊
	↘	↘	↗	✘	

England	12.4%	13.6%	14.6%	Higher	
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COMMENT:



- ❖ In Lancashire, attainment at GCSE among the children looked after improved in 2011/12, but remains below performance from 2009/10.
- ❖ Across England, just over 14 per 100 children looked after achieved 5 A*-C, slightly more than Lancashire's 13 per 100.
- ❖ Attainment by children looked after remains someway behind their peers with 6 out of 10 children and young people achieving 5 GCSEs at grades A* to C inc. English and Maths.
- ❖ The results from this summer (2012/13) are provisional and will be made official next year.
- The LINX group discussed a number of issues related to this important area:-
- For schools to offer a varied curriculum e.g. contemporary music and dance/drama, more consistently across all schools so that all children and young people being looked after have the opportunity of experiencing new and exciting subjects.
- For all children and young people looked after to have a more personally tailored learning plan and support that doesn't exclude individual choice due to issues such as options clashes.

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL BY CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER



Attendance at school is expressed as a percentage of all possible school sessions attended by all children looked after:

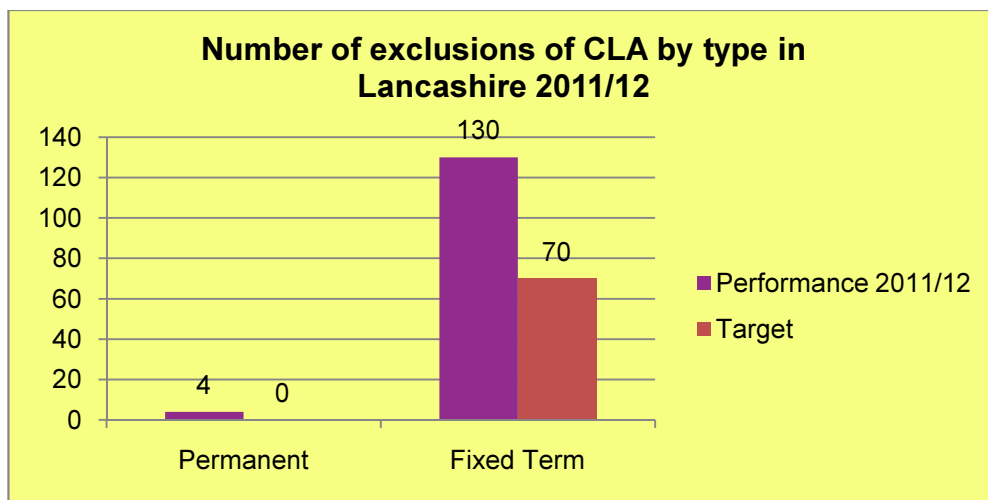
- Attendance in primary school was slightly below target with all children looked after only missing 5 out of every 100 days in school
- Attendance in secondary school was slightly worse than last year, with all children looked after missing 8 out of every 100 days in school
- There were no comments made by the group.

	Previous Performance		Current Performance	Target	Performance Direction?
	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13		
Primary	96.3%	96.2%	95.0%	96.0%	
	↗	↘	↘	x	
Secondary	92.5%	94.3%	92.0%	96.0%	
	↘	↗	↘	x	

EXCLUSIONS FROM SCHOOL OF CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER

Exclusions from school are included as a pure number of children looked after either permanently excluded or on fixed term exclusion:

- In the last year there were 4 permanent exclusions of children looked after
- In the last year there were 130 fixed term exclusions of children looked after
- These are both high numbers and outside of the targets set by corporate parenting board



COMMENTS:

- ❖ Exclusions have risen in the last year, and are now at a high level ahead of the target set.
- ❖ This requires action, and a recovery statement should be requested by corporate parenting board.
- ❖ 2012/13 figures are in the process of being collated.

- The LINX group are concerned about the high exclusion numbers.
- The group felt that there should be more support for excluded young people and also to prevent them being excluded.

CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER IN YOUNG OFFENDER INSTITUTIONS OR SECURE UNITS

- There are a small number of children looked after placed in young offender institutions or secure units, 5 as at October 2013.
- 3 out of 100 children looked after are involved with the youth offending teams, while less than 1 out of 100 children and young people are involved with youth offending teams

- There were no comments made by the group.

CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER WITH AN UP-TO-DATE HEALTH AND DENTAL ASSESSMENTS

- 85 out of 100 children looked after have an up-to-date health assessment
- This is a lower level of up-to-date health assessments than in the previous year
- 76 out of 100 children looked after have an up-to-date dental assessment
- This is a higher level of up-to-date dental assessments than in the previous year

COMMENTS:

- ❖ Lancashire is investing in the improvement of oral health through the Smile 4 Life campaign which has been running since 2010.
- ❖ This has been nationally acclaimed for its successes in raising awareness and improving oral health.



➤ There were no comments made by the group.

ADOPTION AND PERMANENCE

ADOPTION ORDERS

- **196** children looked after have been adopted over the last 3 years.
- The number of adoptions increased this year to 75 children looked after being adopted, higher than in previous years.



SPECIAL GUARDIANSHIP ORDER (SGO) OR RESIDENCE ORDERS (RO)

Special guardianship orders or residence orders are an alternative to adoption, but still provide children looked after with a permanent home:

- 10 out of 100 children looked after were given a permanent home under special guardianship order in the last year, a big improvement on previous years
- 10 out of 100 children looked after were given a permanent home under residence order in the last year, an improvement on previous years

COMMENTS:

- ❖ Overall more children looked after than ever are being provided with a permanent home under adoption, special guardianship order or residence orders; almost 35 out of 100 children looked after in the last year which represents considerable success.

➤ There were no comments made by the group for this section of the report.

OUTCOMES FOR CARE LEAVERS

CARE LEAVERS IN SUITABLE ACCOMMODATION (OLD NI 147)

The percentage of care leavers at age 19 that are living in "suitable accommodation":

- Out of 100 care leavers, 80 are currently in suitable accommodation
- This is lower than two years ago, when 93 out of 100 were in suitable accommodation



COMMENTS:

- ❖ The number of care leavers in suitable accommodation has declined from a high level in 2010/11 to a lower level in 2011/12 and 2012/13. This is below the target of 89 out of 100.

CARE LEAVERS IN EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING (OLD NI 148)

The percentage of care leavers at 19 who are engaged in education, training or employment:

- 55 out of 100 care leavers were in education, training or employment in 2012/13, which is low performance but an improvement from last year
- As at the end of Quarter 2, 48 out of 100 care leavers were in education, training or employment on their 19th birthday.
- Nationally 85 out of 100 young people aged 16-24 are in education, training or employment (Sep 2013)



COMMENTS:

- ❖ Performance was good in 2010/11, but declined sharply in 2011/12, possibly due to the poor economic climate at the time.
- ❖ Performance improved slightly in 2012/13, but was some way below the expected level, and also is below targeted performance.
- ❖ Current performance for 13/14 suggests that just under half of those leaving care since April 2013 were in education, training or employment, some way behind the target of 67 out of 100.

CARE LEAVERS AT UNIVERSITY

- In 2010/11 there were 25 care leavers at university
- In 2011/12 there were a record 37 care leavers studying at university around the country, including 24 first year students.



- The LINX group's comments were:
- Leaving care workers should have all available information about what accommodation options there are available in the local area where the care leaver is living.
- There should be better links to other support networks for young people at college
- The available resources and support for care leavers taking under graduate and masters courses.

SCHEDULE OF CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD MEETINGS 2014

The table below lists the dates and venues of meetings for 2014.

If you have any queries regarding the Corporate Parenting Board, please contact Mark Elliott, Clerk to the Corporate Parenting Board either by telephone (01772) 531657 or e-mail Mark.Elliott@lancashire.gov.uk

Date of Corporate Parenting Board Meeting	Time and Venue
Thursday, 6 February 2014	6.00 pm Cabinet Room 'C', County Hall, Preston
Thursday, 24 April 2014	6.00 pm Cabinet Room 'C', County Hall, Preston
Thursday, 19 June 2014	6.00 pm Cabinet Room 'C', County Hall, Preston
Thursday, 24 July 2014	6.00 pm Cabinet Room 'C', County Hall, Preston
Thursday, 11 September 2014	6.00 pm Cabinet Room 'C', County Hall, Preston
Thursday, 4 December 2014	6.00 pm Cabinet Room 'C', County Hall, Preston

Grant Funding Applications

Number	Approved/ Not Approved	Name and Address of Group	Application Details	Amount Requested	Contact Person	Date Application Received	Date Considered by Young People	Date considered by Directors	Date considered by Chair	Comments	Link to Report	Date sent to Julie	Date Paid	Amount Paid	Journal Transfer Details
1	Approved	CLICS, County Hall, Preston	Refreshments at two county Celebration Events 2010 for Children Looked After and Care Leavers	£3,152.32	Suzy Cummings, Participation Officer, B4 County Hall,	01-Apr-2010		19-Apr-2010	19-Apr-2010		Applications\A pplication 1\app 1.pdf	18/06/10			
2	Approved	Crestmoor Children's Residential Unit, Easden Clough, Morse Street, Burnley, BB10 4PB	Summer fun day which will include stalls that give information to our young people on health matters, education, healthy eating, drugs etc to allow young people to access this information but also have a good time, have a DJ to play music	£500.00	Gwen Monk, Manager, Crestmoor CRU	06-May-2010		Louise Taylor 19/05/2010	CC Winder 19/05/2010		Applications\A pplication 2\app 2.pdf	18/06/10	30/06/10	£500.00	Document No: 9030639
3	Deferred	Social Pedagogy Task Force, Crestmoore Children's Residential Unit, Easden Clough, Morse Street, Burnley, BB10 4PB	Seeing The Hidden – a photography project, that culminates in publishing a book	£2,075.00	Alexander Borchert, Social Pedagogue/ Consultant	13/05/10		Reply Received Louise Taylor 16/07/2010		Author informed deferred 11/08/2010	Applications\A pplication 3				
4	Not approved	Haverholt Children's Home, 24A Haverholt Close, Colne, BB8 9SN	To enable CLA to have Spanish fiesta type meal, visiting the Roman Amphitheatre near where we are staying, a day out at a Water Park and a day out at a Theme Park and finally rides on a Banana Boat or something similar whilst on holiday in Spain	£2,000.00	Alan Hornby, Registered Manager, Haverholt CCH	07-Jul-2010		Grant Not Supported by Louise Taylor 16/07/2010		Not supported - Author informed 20/07/2010	Applications\A pplication 4\10 07 07 Application form holiday.docx				
5	Approved	Children and Young People's Directorate, County Hall, Preston, PR1 8RJ	Printing "Entitlements Leaflets" for our Looked After Children and Care Leavers	£322.00	Peter Francis, Performance Manager, Room B10, County Hall	06-Aug-2010		Louise Taylor 10/08/10	CC Winder 11/08/2010	14/09/2010 - Notification of approved application to Peter Francis	Applications\A pplication 5\Entitlements Leaflets - Grant				
6	Not approved	Haverholt Children's Home, 24A Haverholt Close, Colne, BB8	To fund a conservatory at the back of the house	£30,000.00	Miss Sarah Hill, Assistant Manager, Haverholt CCH	17-Aug-2010		Reply from Louise Taylor 31/08/2010			Applications\A pplication 6\Haverholt.pdf				
7	Approved	Fostering Recruitment and Assessment Team	To supplement the existing service's recruitment budget in order to meet 2010/11 new foster carer targets.	£13,000.00	Gill Green, Fostering Recruitment and Assessment Team Manager	06-Oct-2010		Comments from Louise Taylor 12/10/2010	CC Winder/CC Wilson 20/10/2010	21/10/2010 Notification of approval sent to Stasia Osiowy, Barbara Bath and Gill Green	Applications\A pplication 7\Grant Application.doc				
8	In Progress	CLASS, 2nd Floor, Civic Centre, West Paddock, Leyland, PR25 1DH	E Learning' Training for Emotional Health and Wellbeing modules for all of Lancashire's Children's workforce (estimated at 54,000). The modules will be accessed through Lancashire's website. The full course consists of nine modules of which three have so far been funded through the schools budget and NHS NW. These will be launched in the new	£30,000.00	Mark Warren, CAMHS Co-ordinator	16-Dec-2010	30/12/11 Follow Up Sent to Mark Warren	Sent to Louise Taylor 07/01/2011	Sent to CC Winder 07/01/2011		Applications\A pplication 8\Grant Funding Application.docx				

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9	Approved	Crestmoor Children's Residential Unit, 1 Unity Way, off Haslingden Old Road, Rawtenstall, BB4 8RR	Crestmoor would like to start an initiative with Burnley Youth Theatre that will see the young people of Crestmoor express themselves through different media. At the end of the project the young people will have produced a DVD that shows "A life in the day of Crestmoor".	£6,475.00	Alexander Borchert, Social Pedagogue	12-Jan-2011		02/03/2011 Approved by Louise Taylor	04/03/2011 CC Val Wilson Approval	10/03/2011 Notification of approval sent to Alexander Borchert	Applications\A pplication 9\application 9.pdf				
10	Approved	Hannah Peake, CYP Directorate, County Hall, Preston, PR1 8RJ	Work to support and enable the participation of looked after children and young people	£2,530.00	Hannah Peake	25-Mar-2011		Approval Received from Louise Taylor 25/03/2011	06/04/2011 CC Wilson	06/05/2011 Approval Email Sent to Hannah Peake	Applications\A pplication 10\application 10.pdf				
11	Approved	Hannah Peake, CYP Directorate, County Hall, Preston, PR1 8RJ	To design and print several children and young people friendly documents.	£2,485.00	Hannah Peake	05-Apr-2011		06/04/2011 Approval Louise Taylor	06/04/2011 CC Wilson	07/04/2011 Approval Email sent to Hannah	Applications\A pplication 11\application 11.pdf				
12	Approved	Paul Hegarty, Service Manager CLA, Area Education Office, White Cross Education Centre, Quarry Road, Lancaster, LA1	To host an event which enables managers from; residential, foster, adoption, field work and CWD to explore participation and develop an action plan to support the Participation Strategy for Children Looked After.	£237.50	Paul Hegarty	06-May-2011		18/05/2011 Approval Louise Taylor	18/05/2011 CC Winder Approval	19/05/2011 Approval Email sent to Paul Hegarty	Applications\A pplication 12\Application Form.doc				
13	Approved	Laura Goodfellow, Lancashire Children's Rights Service, 30 Ribblesdale Place, Preston, PR1 3NA	Children Looked After and Care Leaver Celebration of Achievement Event	£7,000.00	Laura Goodfellow	18-Jan-2012	Confirmation of YP Approval 13/02/2012	23/02/2012 Approval Louise Taylor	23/02/2012 Approval CC Winder	24/02/2012 Approval Email sent to Laura Goodfellow and CC Kay	Applications\A pplication 13\Grant application Celebration Event.doc				
14	Approved	Paul Hegarty, Service Manager CLA, Area Education Office, White Cross Education Centre, Quarry Road, Lancaster, LA1	To print LAC/CPB Literature - the Pledge	£57.75	Paul Hegarty	27-Oct-2011		24/11/2011 Sent to Louise Taylor	22/11/2011 CC Winder Approval	25/11/11 Approval Email sent to Paul Hegarty	Applications\A pplication 14\Application Form.doc				
15	In Progress	Laura Goodfellow, Lancashire Children's Rights Service, 30 Ribblesdale Place, Preston, PR1 3NA	To develop work in communicating with children and young people looked after. This will include involving children and young people in producing informational resources to communicate with children and young people in care across Lancashire. This is expected to take the form of leaflet development and posters, however, the direction of the resources produced will be taken from the children and young people and we are open to ideas that are more innovative and creative.	£1,000.00	Laura Goodfellow	28-Nov-2011	Young People Approval 19/12/2011	Sent to Louise Taylor 30/12/2011	Sent to CC Winder 20/12/2011		Applications\A pplication 15\Grant application 15.doc				

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16	Approved	Crestmoor Children's Residential Unit, 1 Unity Way, off Haslingden Old Road, Rawtenstall, BB4 8RR	15 young people who attend Weds night at JJB from both residential leaving care and foster care, they have been doing regular football coaching and will complete a 1 day accredited junior sports leader award, any young people who are appropriate will undergo F.A 25 hour junior coaching award. Continue with the ongoing success that has been created	£10000 - £2500 granted	Gwen Monk, Manager, Crestmoor CRU	28-Mar-2012	17/10/2012 Comments from YP	19/10/2012 Louise Taylor Approved	08/11/2012 CC Winder Approved	121108 Approval Sent Gwen Monk	Applications\A pplication 16\Application Form.doc				

Grant Funding Applications - Approved

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1	CLICS, County Hall, Preston	Refreshments at two county Celebration Events 2010 for Children Looked After and Care Leavers	Suzy Cummings, Participation Officer, B4 County Hall, Preston	£3,152.32	£3,152.32	<p>Events held on 18 March 2010 and 29 April 2010.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nominees – 233 young people were nominated for an award <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nominees – 177 were invited to the events • Nominees - 64 attended the events to receive their awards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carers – 61 • Lancashire County Council Staff and Councillors – 34 • In total 160 staff, carers, county councillors, managers, Children and Young People Looked After and Care Leavers attended the event. • Unfortunately 56 Young people were nominated but not invited to the event due to lack of space in the venue
2	Crestmoor Children's Residential Unit, Easden Clough, Morse Street, Burnley, BB10 4PB	Summer fun day which will include stalls that give information to our young people on health matters, education, healthy eating, drugs etc to allow young people to access this information but also have a good time, have a DJ to play music	Gwen Monk, Manager, Crestmoor CRU	£500.00	£500.00	<p>The money was used to help put on a fun day. This was a huge success attended by all the areas residential units, social workers, all the CWD units we had information stalls from education, health and children's rights. We held the Olympics with teams from the CLA team, YOT and Crestmoor with Crestmoor winning the cup!! We also released over 1000 balloons which we charged £1 a balloon and this money will be donated to Donna's dream house for Children with terminal illnesses. We had a petting zoo, a gunge chair competition which people paid to have someone gunged this was won by Anthony Moorcroft and Gary Pickles, a steel band, BBQ, chocolate fountain and tombola. It was great to see everyone having a good time together. For me it was partnership and participation at its finest.</p>
5	Children and Young People's Directorate, County Hall, Preston, PR1 8RJ	Printing "Entitlements Leaflets" for our Looked After Children and Care Leavers	Peter Francis, Performance Manager, Room B10, County Hall	£322.00	£322.00	In the process of having the leaflets printed.

7	Fostering Recruitment and Assessment Team	To supplement the existing service's recruitment budget in order to meet 2010/11 new foster carer targets.	£13,000.00	£13,000.00	£13,000.00	<p>The Communications Service was tasked with supporting the fostering recruitment team in achieving 1,000 enquiries between April 2010 and March 2011. Research was undertaken and communications objectives were set with targets of increasing traffic to the website and enquiries to the telephone helpline. The additional £13,000 grant funding was essential and was used to purchase appropriate advertising space and marketing materials to achieve this.</p> <p>A broad range of tactics were used during the campaign based on the demographic research of behaviour and preferences of our key audience. Activity included media relations, broadcast and print advertising, outdoor advertising, grassroots distribution of marketing materials, digital marketing and internal communications.</p> <p>Key outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The campaign exceeded its key target with a final total of 1,113 fostering enquiries achieved within the 2011/12 financial year. • A 23% increase in unique visitors to the website which led to an average of 74.5 online enquiries each month. • Telephone enquiries increased from an average of 35 up to 68 calls per month by the last campaign quarter. • More people now identify one of the campaign's key channels than previously which indicates that communications are more memorable and/or focused to more appropriate channels.
9	Crestmoor Children's Residential Unit, 1 Unity Way, off Haslingden Old Road, Rawtenstall, BB4 8RR	Crestmoor would like to start an initiative with Burnley Youth Theatre that will see the young people of Crestmoor express themselves through different media. At the end of the project the young people will have produced a DVD that shows "A life in the day of Crestmoor".	Alexander Borchert, Social Pedagogue	£6,475.00	£6,475.00	<p><u>On the 19th and 26th of May 2011 the first two sessions for young people from East Lancashire have happened. These were colourful, interesting sessions which the young people thoroughly enjoyed. There were some games to get to know each other, a tour through the theatre and some exercises around what the young people want to do in the future sessions. First photographs were taken of and by the young people; material was collected for a play and /or poem. The young people expressed what they want to do (i.e. filming) and this is now prepared for the next sessions to come.</u></p> <p><u>Newspaper report from the event.</u></p>

10	Hannah Peake, CYP Directorate, County Hall, Preston, PR1 8RJ	Work to support and enable the participation of looked after children and young people	Hannah Peake, Strategic Lead - Children and Young People's Participation	£2,530.00	£2,530.00	Key Activities: 1. Facilitating attendance at CPB. 2. Supporting young people to attend Lancashire Youth Council. 3. Youth Proofing Lancashire CLA documents. 4. Continuing consulting with children and young people regarding the CiCC. 5. CiCC meetings.
11	Hannah Peake, CYP Directorate, County Hall, Preston, PR1 8RJ	To design and print several children and young people friendly documents.	Hannah Peake, Strategic Lead - Children and Young People's Participation	£2,485.00	£2,485.00	The project is still in progress but the policy and strategy document have been 'Youth proofed' and will be sent to the Communications team to be designed and printed. The A-Z document and children's version are still being drafted as they need to reflect recent changes to in legislation/ government guidance.
12	Paul Hegarty, Service Manager CLA, Area Education Office, White Cross Education Centre, Quarry Road, Lancaster, LA1 4XQ	To host an event which enables managers from; residential, foster, adoption, field work and CWD to explore participation and develop an action plan to support the Participation Strategy for Children Looked After.	Paul Hegarty, Service Manager CLA	£237.50	£237.50	The event was very successful with over 30 managers attending from residential homes (both mainstream and children with additional needs), fostering, adoption, Independent reviewing services, social workers (IAS/CWD/CLA/LC) and a team manager. The event was also supported by the attendance of County Councillor Tony Winder and Louise Taylor (Director). The event looked at the opportunities and challenges of introducing a children in care council and an action plan was developed that Hannah (Peake) is currently producing. A representative from the Children Society also attended following their recent successful bid to drive this agenda forward and outlined next steps. Detailed discussion did take place regarding Hannah's strategic role and the concern the group expressed at the lack of a distinct focus on the children looked after agenda. Hannah spoke to this and it was agreed that I would discuss this further with Louise Taylor. In conclusion I think the event was a success. It established some clear actions and principles to ensure this essential activity is successfully implemented and the views of children and young people influence the service they receive, professional practice and wider service delivery. In conclusion I think the event was a success. It established some clear actions and principles to ensure this essential activity is successfully implemented and the views of children and young people influence the service they receive, professional practice and wider service delivery.
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17	Anthony Moorcroft, 29 South Avenue, Morecambe, LA4 5RJ	The project aims to involve Lancashire's children looked after in creating a giant patch work quilt that represents their views thoughts feelings on individual placements, be this Residential, Foster, Short Break or leaving Care. Allowing children young people a voice, regardless of their background, age, ability or circumstances.	Anthony Moorcroft, Overnight Residential Manager, South Avenue	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	
18	Hena Begum, Autumn House Children's Home, Co-operative Street, Bamber Bridge, Preston, PR5 6FH	To purchase sport and recreational equipment for young people to participate on the date with staff members and invitees. There will be a small sports day to keep young people focussed, active and be able to enjoy and achieve.	Hena Begum, Assistant Manager, Autumn House	£500.00	£300.00	

19	Laura Goodfellow, Lancashire Children's Rights Service, 30 Ribblesdale Place, Preston,	Children's Rights Summit	Laura Goodfellow, Youth Mentor, Children's Rights Service	£1,425.00	£712.50	
TOTAL					£47,272.07	

Grant Funding Applications - Not Approved

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3	Social Pedagogy Task Force, Crestmoore Children's Residential Unit, Easden Clough, Morse Street, Burnley, BB10 4PB	Seeing The Hidden – a photography project, that culminates in publishing a book	Alexander Borchert, Social Pedagogue/ Consultant	£2,075.00	Deferred because still insufficient understanding of how this links to the children in care council and the wider directorate's commitment to the engagement of children and young people.
4	Haverholt Children's Home, 24A Haverholt Close, Colne, BB8 9SN	To enable CLA to have Spanish fiesta type meal, visiting the Roman Amphitheatre near where we are staying, a day out at a Water Park and a day out at a Theme Park and finally rides on a Banana Boat or something similar whilst on holiday in Spain	Alan Hornby, Registered Manager, Haverholt CCH	£2,000.00	The grant is not approved as it is not an appropriate use of Corporate Parenting Board funding or ties in with priorities in CCYP Plan and in current economic climate would mean that CLA arguably are receiving over and above what others received and it subsidises staff. There is also potential for it to set a precedence of this nature.

6	Haverholt Children's Home, 24A Haverholt Close, Colne, BB8 9SN	To fund a conservatory at the back of the house	Miss Sarah Hill, Assistant Manager, Haverholt CCH	£30,000.00	It would be inappropriate to subsidise activity of this kind because there would be insufficient funds .to cover similar requests from other homes. The link between the request and the Children and Young People's Plan is tenuous. It wouldn't be appropriate to subsidise activities which involve staff and support activities which arguably other families in such an economic downturn could not afford.
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New Inspection Framework for Safeguarding, CLA and Care Leavers: Key Evidence for Inspectors

Corporate Parenting Board Policies and Strategies in Use

CLA Commissioning Strategy and Action Plan (25 October 2011) – (Mike Sunderland)

CLA Commissioning Strategy 2 v 2 - (Mike Sunderland)

CLA Commissioning Strategy Appendix 1 - (Mike Sunderland)

Corporate Parenting Strategy (13 February 2009) - (Mike Sunderland)

Young Person's Version of the Policy (2010-2013) - (Mike Sunderland)

Leaving Care Charter (2013) – (DfE/Corporate Parenting Board)

[Corporate Parenting Policy 2011](#) (14 February 2011) – **Website** - (Mike Sunderland)

[A to Z Guide for Children and Young People Looked After](#) (August 2012) – **Website** – (Fiona Harris and Paul Hegarty)

[Ambitions 2012-2014](#) – **Website** – (Louise Taylor, now Bob Stott)

[Children in Care Pledge and Response](#) (Sept 2011) – **Website** – (LINX – CiCC)

[Priorities and Action Plan 2011-2012](#) – **Website** – (Louise Taylor, now Bob Stott)

