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Agenda

1. Introductions and Apologies

County Councillor Prynn

To note who is attending and any apologies for absence.

2. Notes of the Meetings and Matters Arising from 18 June 2015 and 30 July 2015 (Pages 1 - 12)

County Councillor Prynn

To agree for accuracy the notes of the meetings and receive any matters arising.

3. What our Elected Members have been doing (10 mins) (Pages 13 - 14)

County Councillor Prynn and other Elected Members

To note feedback from work undertaken by the Chair of the Board and our Elected Members as part of their role on the CPB, including Member visits carried out since the last meeting.

What have our Young People been doing?

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

Young People and Barnardos

To receive feedback on the work our young people have been doing including:

Performance Report

Housing

What Do We Need to Know

5. New Belongings (20 minutes)

Jane Hylton

What is it and where they are up to?

- 6. New Horizons and Post 16 Destination (15 minutes)** (Pages 15 - 16)
Future Horizons & Sandra Bilsborrow

To receive an update on from Future Horizons and a report on work done around Year 11 Post 16 destinations.

- 7. Department of Work and Pensions (15 mins)**
Amanda Jakeman

To receive an update on Universal Credit.

- 8. Any Other Business**
County Councillor Prynn

To receive any other business.

- 9. Dates and Times of 2016 Meetings** (Pages 17 - 18)
County Councillor Prynn

Please note the dates scheduled for 2016.

- 10. Date and Time of Next Meeting**
County Councillor Prynn

Thursday, 3 December 2015 at 6.00pm in the Duke of Lancaster Room (formerly Cabinet Room 'C').

Information Item

- 11. CPB Annual Report to Lancashire Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB)** (Pages 19 - 42)

To note the report which was presented to the LSCB on 10 July 2015.

Agenda Item 2

Lancashire County Council

Corporate Parenting Board

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 18th June, 2015 at 6.00 pm in
Cabinet Room 'C' - The Duke of Lancaster Room, County Hall, Preston

Present: Members

County Councillor Sue Pryn (Chair)	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Margaret Brindle	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Ian Brown	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Chris Henig	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Dorothy Lord	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Julie Gibson	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Cynthia Dereli	- Lancashire County Council
Catherine Lynsey Evans	- representing Adoption - Fostering Forum
Mark Twiname	- Fostering Forum
Tony Morrissey	- Deputy Director, Children's Services
Sam W	- LINX Representative
Gavin Bradley	- LINX Representative
Kristal	- LINX Representative
Paige	- LINX Representative

Co-opted members

Nicola Bamford	- Designated Doctor and Consultant Paediatrician, representing CCG
Diane Booth	- Children's Social Care
Kate Baggaley	- Barnardos
Audrey Swann	- Headteacher, Vulnerable and Looked After Children
Amanda Mansfield	- Independent Reviewing Officers
Naomi Burgess	- Barnardos
Rebecca Wilkinson	- Barnardos

Other Attendees

County Councillor Matthew Tomlinson	- Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Schools (left at 6.30pm)
Caroline Beswick	- Lancashire Children's Rights Service
Annette McNeil	- Integrated Health Service
Lisa Dorrington	- Blackpool Trust Hospitals
Sam Gorton (Clerk)	- Legal and Democratic Services

1. Introductions and Apologies

All were welcomed to the meeting, especially County Councillors Dereli and Gibson who were substituting for County Councillors Snape and Beavers. Apologies were noted from Debbie Ross and Debbie Duffell.

2. Appointment of Chair

The Board noted that County Councillor Sue Prynne had been appointed as the Chair of the Board for the 2015/2016 Municipal year.

3. Appointment of Deputy Chair

The Board noted that County Councillor Margaret Brindle had been appointed as Deputy Chair of the Board for the 2015/2016 Municipal year. It was also noted that County Councillor Brindle was also the Chairman of Lancashire County Council 2015/2016.

4. Terms of Reference, Membership and Constitution

The Board undertook an activity on the current Terms of Reference around whether they felt that it was achieving what it states and whether there were any other points that needed to be added. The activity and the results are attached.

5. Notes of the Meeting and Matters Arising from 23 April 2015

The notes of the previous meeting were agreed as a correct record. There were no matters arising.

6. What our Elected Members have been doing

The County Councillors present highlighted a number of areas of their recent work since the Board last met.

County Councillor (CC) Prynne stated that housing for care leavers has been a focus and is looking to set up/form a partnership with the District Councils. The Preston City Council has already done some work and the Local Authority is working with a project called "New Belongings" to look at Lancashire services to care leavers.

Action: The CPB to have care leavers as a thematic area for a future meeting and New Belongings along with others to be invited to a future meeting.

CC Prynne had recently been contacted by a young person and an issue had arisen from a care leaver who was due to move into supported accommodation. CC Prynne along with the care worker visited the property to ensure it was fit for purpose and reiterated that as a Corporate Parent we have to be certain that the young person is ready to move into supported accommodation and they are confident and everything is in place for them to do this before they move in. Communication is key with that young person. CC Prynne is happy for officers to contact her direct, should issues arise.

An Out of Borough visit in Blackpool had been carried out by CC Prynne to one of the Hexagon Care Service Units. It was reported that the staff were fantastic and the home was spacious with chillout rooms. The visit was positive and CC Prynne was assured by the good care being provided.

Action: CC Prynne will write the reports for these visits and circulate to the relevant people.

CC Prynne outlined that she had met with Jane Booth the Lancashire Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB) Chair as agreed as there was a previous proposal to hold a joint conference. Following discussion it was felt it would be more innovative to hold two Challenge Panels in late September where the Panel will consist of young people, CC Prynne, Jane Booth (Chair of LSCB) and relevant officers. The aim is to find out how safe our young people feel being in care (safeguarding).

CC Prynne attended the Barnardos Contract Monitoring meeting and feedback had been given on the Young Inspectors programme and how well this was working. Credit was given to Kate Baggaley, Barnardos and the young people on the success of the programme.

CC Brindle gave an update on various events she had attended in her new role as Chairman of the County Council. One event was the launch of the Fostering Fortnight, and is eagerly awaiting feedback following this. Another was a visit to Burnley College, to the Creative Arts and Media Department where CC Brindle asked about care leavers and how they were supported and she has agreed to keep in touch with them regarding this.

Recently the Chairman's Challenge was attended by 17 schools, and St Augustine's RC High School gave an impressive presentation on child sexual exploitation and how they are promoting awareness throughout other schools. This is something that this group could take forward. A link to the film can be found [here](#).

CC Brown reported on his recent Regulation 22 visit to Crestmoor which was very positive.

CC Lord reported on her visit to Buckingham Palace as a representative from LCC and visited the Houses of Parliament and Commons. She said it was a wonderful opportunity to talk to young people about politics.

CC Henig stated she had recently visited Archives which was 75 years old in April and been to London also looking at Arts and Culture. CC Henig had also been involved in the Young People's Book of the Year competition.

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

LINX updated the Board on their recent activities that they had been involved in since the last meeting was held in April. A number of presentations were shown and these are attached to these notes.

The Board asked for further information on the Barnardos Big Conversation which had been held at Woodlands. 26 young people from Lancashire were involved and every activity was related to Barnardos and what went well and what Barnardos could do better. The Director of Barnardos was in attendance and was very impressed with the young people.

ITV Fixers are working with LINX on another campaign, in the form of an animated film to raise awareness for children in years 6/7 around children looked after and changing their negative attitude towards them. Hopefully this will be available for the September meeting.

The young people have devised a flyer around the Young Inspectors Programme and this was felt to be an excellent piece of work, in informing other young people on why they are carrying out the visits and what they want to achieve from doing the visits and the benefits.

A number of comments were raised as indicated on the Performance report attached.

Action: Officers to note the comments and feedback as necessary to LINX.

Audrey Swann reported that they are looking at having a Governing Body for the Virtual School and would like young people to be a part of that. She would also like them to be involved in the Designated Teacher Training also.

A KS4 conference is to be held on 22 October and CLA representatives from across Lancashire are invited to attend. The conference will be looking at raising the attainment levels for CLA.

Audrey also commented on the Pupil Premium and that schools are starting use the extra pupil premium funding that is also available and that Pupil Premium is emphasised when training designated teachers in how and what it should be used for.

8. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

9. Date and Time of Next Meeting

This is the young person led meeting on Thursday, 30 July 2015 at 1.30pm, in the Henry Bollinbroke Room (formerly Cabinet Room 'D'), County Hall, Preston, PR1 8RJ.

Lancashire County Council

Corporate Parenting Board

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 30th July, 2015 at 1.30 pm in
Cabinet Room 'D' - The Henry Bolingbroke Room, County Hall, Preston**

Present: Members

County Councillor Lorraine Beavers	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Margaret Brindle	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Ian Brown	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Sue Prynn (Chair)	- Lancashire County Council
Councillor Bernard Dawson	- Lancashire County Council
Jane Simpson	- representing Foster Carers
Catherine	- representing Adoption
Mark Twiname	- Fostering Forum
Callum	- LINX Representative
Natalie	- LINX Representative
Chloe	- LINX Representative
Sam	- LINX Representative
Gina	- LINX Representative
Bradley	- LINX Representative
Gavin	- LINX Representative
Mary-Beth	- LINX Representative
Billie-Jo	- LINX Representative
Marc	- LINX Representative
Charlotte	- LINX Representative

Co-opted members

Debbie Ross	- Designated Nurse for CLA, representing CCG
Diane Booth	- Children's Social Care
Kate Baggaley	- Barnardos
Debbie Nolan-Plunkett	- Barnardos
Laura Conrad	- Barnardos
Gareth Oates	- Barnardos
Rebecca Wilkinson	- Barnardos
Ionie Calderbank	- Barnardos
Cathy Trengove	- Barnardos
Audrey Swann	- Headteacher, Vulnerable and Looked After Children

Other Attendees

Jane Hylton	- Children's Social Care
Sam Gorton (Clerk)	- Legal and Democratic Services
Rebecca McGeown	- East Lancashire CCG

1. Ice Breaker

The Chairpersons, Sam and Bradley were introduced to the Board and led it through the ice breaker. Groups were asked to discuss what they had done since the last Corporate Parenting Board (CPB) meeting and feedback the top three most interesting to the rest of the Board.

2. What LINX Have Been Doing

LINX then presented as attached what they had been involved with since the last CPB meeting.

A special mention was given to Mark who has had lots of exciting news – he has won National Barnardos Award for Young Volunteer of the Year, invited by Edward Timpson MP to attend the House of Commons on 20 July to take part in Education Orals after impressing the Children's Minister at the All Party Parliamentary Group Meeting for Looked After Children and Care Leavers that they both attended at Portcullis House in March this year where Mark spoke about LINX and his involvement with the Young Inspectors.

Finally Mark has been invited to attend a Labour Party candidacy test for the next general elections in April. The Board offered their huge congratulations to Mark on these achievements.

3. Education

An activity around Pupil Premium and examples on what it can be spent on was given. The Board was then invited to discuss other ideas that it could be used for.

Groups' feedback on ways to improve educational outcomes for CLA and links between Children Looked After, designated teacher, education consultant and virtual head.

Education consultants –

- More 1:1 support
- Stability, keeping pupils in the same school
- Consultants working together with the young people and others to find out what their needs are
- Force schools to explain what they have spent the pupil premium on

Designated Teacher –

- Support for foster carers, family and guardians

Virtual Head –

- Every child/young person tracked and supported consistently
- Quality PEP, swift response to PEPSA requests
- Involve carers more, ensure they are aware of entitlements
- Update CLA website regularly with entitlements data
- Make sure school knows their responsibilities

Bob Stott, Director for Children's Services informed the Board that he had recently attended a Management Team meeting where they had discussed the predicted results for Children Looked After Year 11 young people with regard to their GCSE outcomes. It is hoped that around 20% of CLA will achieve 5A*-C results. Management Team have now requested that they see the predicted levels of all CLA young people of secondary school age from Years 7-11 across the County. Once this information is available it will be shared with the CPB.

4. Health

Callum led this exercise and performed the rap he wrote about his carer.

The Board were then asked to write a rap on the importance of Staying Healthy and the ones that were performed are attached.

5. Leaving Care

The Board took part in a leaving care activity on accommodation which they had to decide whether they felt the statements given were appropriate/inappropriate/unsure and give their reasoning for the options they chose. Here are just a few of the examples given:

- 1 bedroom flat in perfect condition in a rural area, 5 miles from the nearest shop
- 3 bedroomed house with a garden in good condition
- Flat in excellent condition in an area where there are concerns of drug abuse

Following this, the Board were then asked what they thought the priorities were for accommodation that would make it suitable for care leavers. Comments received are attached.

6. What Makes a Good Foster Carer

The final activity led by LINX was around foster carers and what makes a good one and also what qualities/behaviours a young person would not expect from them. The Board were asked to list both spectrums and the results are attached.

These will help Barnardos design a training package for Barnardo's Foster Carers that they are hoping to deliver later in the year.

7. Evaluation

Gavin and Mary-Beth performed a song "Feel the Love" by Rudimental and John Newman to close the meeting and the Board were asked to complete an evaluation.

Feedback from postcards

The thing I most enjoyed was (why?)

- Is seeing Mum because I love her.
- I enjoyed the whole afternoon; this was my first meeting and will look forward to the next one. Everything was fab!!
- Good to see young people setting the agenda and chairing it!
- Activities – fun way to learn facts about children looked after – makes it more memorable. Very impressed 10/10 and the power point was very easy to understand.
- Seeing the young people using all of their tablets rapping and singing.
- All of the sessions but I especially had an interest in what young people thought about health and health assessments so we can see how we can make things better.
- Meeting other people and sharing ideas – raps.
- Health rap and raising awareness of accommodation.
- I like listening to what everyone wants to say.
- Fast turnaround of activities.
- All the different activities, young people's personalities and the skeleton activity.
- It was just fun, the young people were very confident which is good to see.
- The rap and the young people.
- The activities.
- Leaving care I have learnt that we need to look after our young people better.
- The atmosphere, light hearted but serious issues addressed. It was informative.
- The raps.
- Food, meeting people, the activities and the rap.
- Activities because it brought light into the meeting.
- Meeting young people and their views.
- Everything was great, well done to all was good fun.
- Good environment for everyone and a good range of activities.
- The rap.
- Relaxed atmosphere more informal.

The thing I least enjoyed was (why?)

- Didn't know there would be food – I had my dinner before I arrived!!
- Lack of time for the young people to fully express their views.
- The room was too warm.
- Filling in the bricks.
- Trying to come up with the rap.
- I enjoyed everything.
- The number of questions about care leaver's accommodation.
- Writing the poem – I am no good at it.
- Not long enough.
- No sugar free drinks – I'm diabetic.
- Not enough time for informal chat.
- Hot room.
- Lack of air con.
- Deciding on suitable accommodation – there was too many it should have been shorter.

Member Visits

Date	Establishment	Carried Out by	Circulated to Residential Senior Manager, Head of Safeguarding, Chair of CPB, Deputy Director of Children's Services, Unit Manager	Date Reported to CPB	Sent to Unit Manager, cc Annette McNeil, John Marr (for private)
15/06/2014	Warwick Avenue (LCC)	CC Brown	17/07/2014	11/09/2014	N/A
30/07/2014	Belvedere House (LCC)	CC Beavers	06/08/2014	11/09/2014	N/A
11/08/2014	Chorley Hall Road (LCC)	CC Snape	22/08/2014	11/09/2014	N/A
21/08/2014	Marsden Hall Road (LCC)	CC Brindle	05/09/2014	11/09/2014	N/A
28/08/2014	Ashdene	CC Beavers	08/09/2014	11/09/2014	N/A
28/08/2014	Rowling House	CC Beavers	08/09/2014	11/09/2014	09/10/2014
28/08/2014	Bowerham Road (LCC)	CC Henig	12/09/2014	11/09/2014	N/A
28/08/2014	Pier House	CC Beavers	08/09/2014	11/09/2014	09/10/2014
02/09/2014	Crestmoor (LCC)	CC Brown	05/09/2014	11/09/2014	N/A
	Bungalow (LCC)	CC Prynne	Report Outstanding	11/09/2014	N/A
	Maplewood (LCC)	CC Prynne	Report Outstanding	11/09/2014	N/A
13/11/2014	Eden Bridge (LCC)	CC Prynne	13/11/2014		N/A
18/11/2014	Grange Avenue	CC Prynne	28/11/2014		N/A
02/02/2015	Link	CC Beavers	06/02/2015	05/02/2015	06/02/2015
Jan-15	Tower View	CC Lord	16/03/2015		16/03/2015
02/06/2015	Crestmoor (LCC)	CC Brown	10/06/2015	18/06/2015	N/A
17/06/2015	No 19, Blackpool	CC Prynne	25/08/2015	18/06/2015	25/08/2015

Agenda Item 6

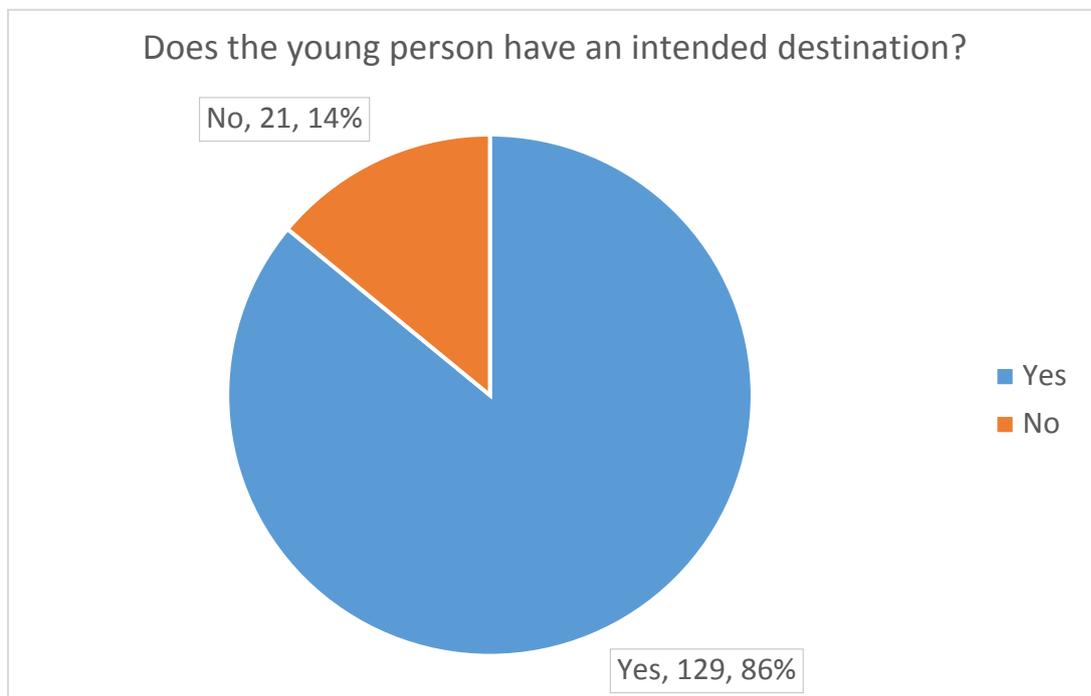
Contact and update of Intended destinations of Year 11 Children Looked After as at June 2015

In June, the Wellbeing Prevention and Early Help Service (YPS), contacted the Year 11 cohort of Children Looked After to ensure they all had planned as 'Intended Destination' for September after they leave compulsory education.

A total of 150 were contacted and a third of these school leavers had a special education need or disability. The table below show 129 had an intended destination and the WPEH (YPS) had been involved with 87 of the Year 11 CLA. Those CLA, without an intended destination, were referred to the district WPEH for further support in accessing learning in September.

Row Labels	Count of SEND
Yes	50
No	100
Grand Total	150

Row Labels	Count of YPS Involvement
Yes	87
No	63
Grand Total	150



SCHEDULE OF CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD MEETINGS 2016

The table below lists the dates and venues of meetings for 2016.

If you have any queries regarding the Corporate Parenting Board, please contact Sam Gorton, Clerk to the Corporate Parenting Board either by telephone (01772) 532471 or e-mail sam.gorton@lancashire.gov.uk

Date of Corporate Parenting Board Meeting	Time and Venue
Thursday, 4 February 2016	6.00 pm – Duke of Lancaster Room (Former Cabinet Room 'C')
Thursday, 21 April 2016	6.00 pm – Duke of Lancaster Room (Former Cabinet Room 'C')
Thursday, 18 June 2016	6.00 pm – Duke of Lancaster Room (Former Cabinet Room 'C')
Thursday, 21 July 2016 - Young People's Meeting	1.30pm – Duke of Lancaster Room (Former Cabinet Room 'C')
Thursday, 8 September 2016	6.00 pm – Duke of Lancaster Room (Former Cabinet Room 'C')
Thursday, 1 December 2016	6.00 pm – Duke of Lancaster Room (Former Cabinet Room 'C')

Children Looked After – The Role of the Corporate Parenting Board

Presentation by

LINX (Lancashire's Children in Care Council)

County Councillor Sue Prynne, Chair of the Corporate
Parenting Board

&

Tony Morrissey, Deputy Director for Children's Services

10 July 2015

Aims of Presentation

To outline the:

- Purpose of Corporate Parenting Board
- Priorities
- Life in Care
- Achievements
- Facts
- Continuous Improvement

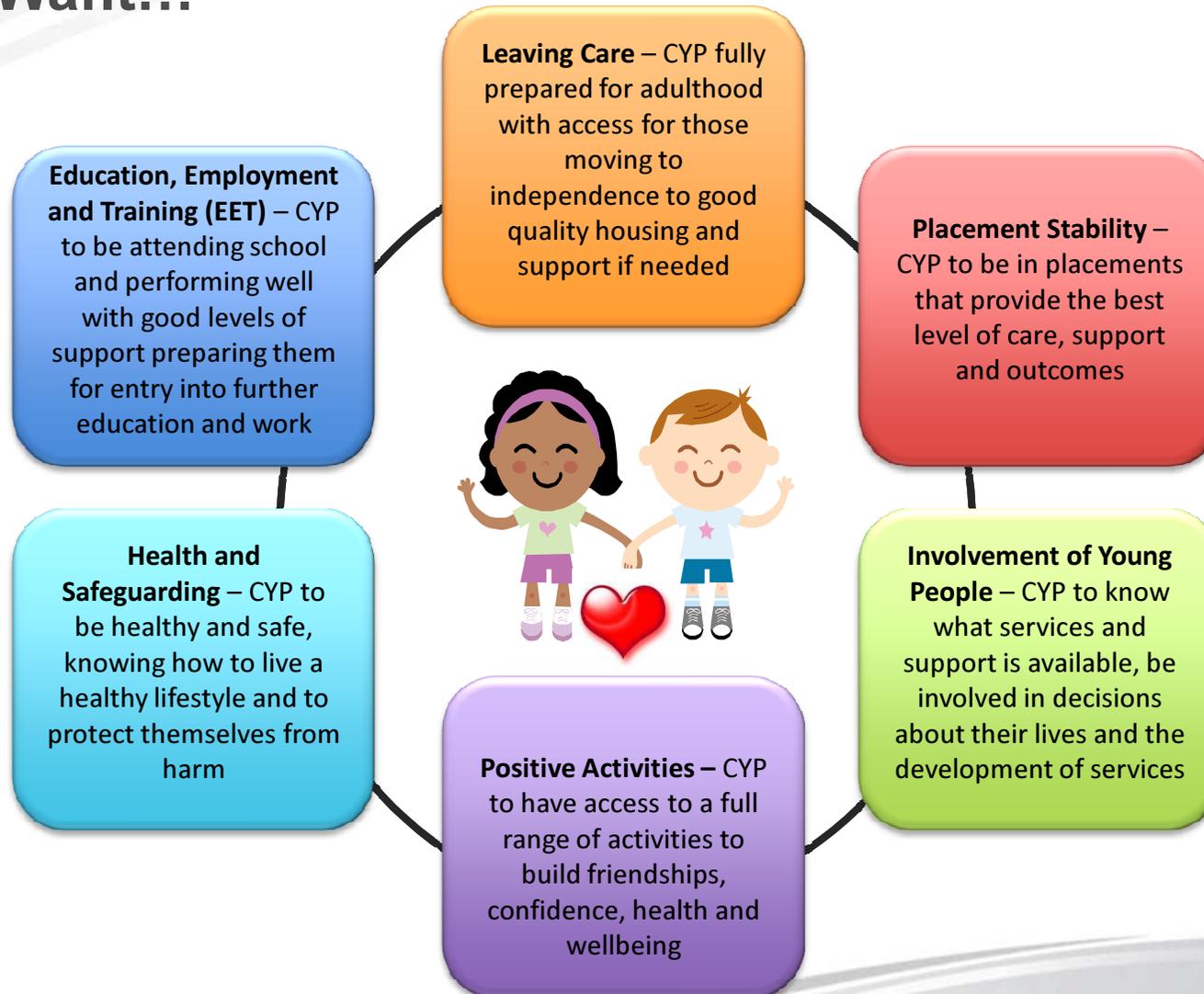
How the Board Works

- Bi monthly evening meetings
- Agenda linked to agreed priorities
- Active involvement of young people
- Young people set the agenda and chair one meeting per year
- Elected members meet prior to the meeting
- Young people meet prior to the meeting
- Elected member champions
- Working group support
- Presentation, reports, interactive activity and celebration
- Reports to the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Schools

Purpose of the Corporate Parenting Board

- Promote awareness
- Secure commitment & contribution
- Set high expectations & hold to account
- Listen & involve children and young people
- Oversee and monitor performance
- Consider the outcomes of regulatory visits and inspection reports
- Ensure strategies join up and prioritise children looked after
- Celebrate the achievements of children looked after
- Ensure adequate resources provided
- Undertake visits & receive feedback
- Comply with UN Convention on Rights of Child

Priorities - Corporate Parenting Board – We Want...



Children Looked After need to be listened to

Life for us in care in Lancashire



Being in care: What is different for us?

It's important to remember that...

“everyone's in care for different reasons” and that “everyone is an individual”.

All children and young people have different needs but for those that are in care there are some things that are different. Our experiences are different and we have different needs.

Some things about Children Looked After (CLA) that maybe people do not think about...

Your home or placement:

- Sometimes we have numerous placements.
- Some people might feel like it is not their home.
- Learning to live with other young people.
- Living in a different area to where you grew up.

The people:

- There are lots of people involved in making decisions for you.
- Sometimes we are the last to find out important information.
- It is not your family – someone is paid to look after you.
- You do not always have strong relationships with the people in your life.

Rules:

- Getting consent to go on trips.
- Getting consent for photographs.

Leaving care:

- Moving into independence – feeling too young.
- Provision when leaving care is reduced.

Some other activities...

- The Children in Care Council is now part of the Lancashire Youth Council structure.
- Young people from the Children in Care Council attend monthly PULSE meetings – The Health and Well-being board for young people in Lancashire.
- The Children in Care Council are involved in the Recruitment and Selection of Lancashire County Council staff.
- The Children in Care Council lead on 50% of all Corporate Parenting Board Meetings and deliver a full young person led meeting each year.
- The Children in Care Council deliver training and presentations to the Children's Trust Workforce.
- The Children in Care Council are represented at several National Forums.

Some things we like...

We like being involved in decisions made about us.

Having the Children in Care Council is important as it gives the opportunity for children and young people to have their voices heard.

A young person said, "I'm proud to be part of LINX (Lancashire Children in Care Council), I have met some great people and my confidence is growing. I like having the opportunity to make a difference for all young people in care and leaving care".

Some things we want to change...

- “I know there are rules... but reasons behind decisions are not always made clear”.
- More support when leaving care.
- The Corporate Parenting Board is good but sometimes difficult for young people to understand but we like that young people are able to be involved.
- Children and young people would like more child friendly information.

So What Have We Achieved?

Words to Actions to Outcomes

Action	Difference Made
Celebrating Achievement	Supported annual PROUD celebration event.
Reassurance from Activity Days	From 27 children that attended, 25 were matched with adopters. It was noted that the way in which the CPB had monitored and evaluated the Activity Days at various stages of the process, was a good example of the Board exercising its scrutiny function.
Regulation 22 Visits carried out by Elected Members	One issue raised on a visit was: To explore further any issues and training for staff around young people's mental health and evidence support offered with regards the dangers of substance misuse. The action that has been taken since is: Addaction and SCAYT+ presented workshops to the staff team in December 2014 to further the teams development and knowledge base. This enabled the team to enhance the support offered directly to the young people.
Scrutiny of Educational Attainment	The Boards concern around KS4 have been referred to LCC Education Scrutiny Committee to ensure a thorough review is undertaken, alongside informing the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Schools. The issue has also been referred to the Cabinet Committee for Performance Improvement (CCPI) for full consideration.
Performance Report scrutinised by LINX before every Board meeting	67 in 100 Children Looked After have up to date health assessments and 78 in 100 have an up to date dental assessment, both lower than the previous year. As a result of this issue being raised, locality tracking groups have been established and also a strategic monitoring group. Current performance is now at 85.1%.

So What Have We Achieved? Cont'd

Words to Actions to Outcomes

Action	Difference Made
Raise awareness of the Pupil Premium	A small number of responses were received. Most were positive and welcomed the interest of the young people. There was one negative response from a school who seemed to react in a defensive way to being challenged on this issue by young people outside of their school. However the development of the Education Provision Map, which has to be provided by schools for each looked after child, had greatly increased the transparency around the use of pupil premium grant and the impact it has on pupil progress and attainment. Currently over 90% of CLA have an Educational Provision Map in place with each documenting the use made of PPG.
Joint working with LSCB	Agreed to hold two Challenge Panels in September 2015, to get assurance that CLA are appropriately safeguarded.
Training for Elected Members on being an effective Corporate Parent	A development session was held for Elected Members explaining their roles and expectations as a member of the Board. The Chair of Liverpool City Council's CPB also attended the session and shared their recent Ofsted inspection experience. Good practice was shared between Lancashire and Liverpool around corporate parenting and CC Prynne then attended a CPB meeting at Liverpool City Council.

Life in Care – Facts

Question	Answer
How many children and young people does Lancashire County Council have in its care?	Number has risen over last year and stood at 1,626 at 31 March 2015. Rate per 10,000 at 66.6 is above the national average (60.0) and statistical neighbour average (61.2) and well below the regional rate (81.0).
What is the peak age for children/young people coming into our care?	Children and young people aged under 10 years account for over half (54.8%) of those in our care but the peak ages for entering care are 0 - 1 years old.
Where might children in our care live?	With foster carers, in a children's home, with relatives/family friends.
What proportion of these live with foster parents?	Around two thirds (66%) are in foster care.
What is the main reason why children and young people come into care?	Abuse and neglect along with family stress/problems are the main reasons.
How many CLA are also known to the Youth Justice system?	Around 5% of children looked after have cautions/convictions.
At what age do Care Orders end?	18 years old – however we know in reality with our own families that ideally young people should stay with foster carers until 21 years old.

Life in Care – Facts Cont'd...

TOTAL NUMBERS OF CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER					
District Team	Mar-12	Mar-13	Mar-14	Mar-15	% of Total CLA
Lancaster	119	140	110	131	8.1
Fylde/Wyre	90	94	73	104	6.4
Preston	193	199	178	183	11.3
Chorley/ South Ribble	178	175	153	153	9.4
West Lancashire	128	135	118	109	6.7
Hyndburn/ Ribble Valley	185	211	151	175	10.8
Burnley	157	204	219	241	14.8
Pendle	188	221	176	184	11.3
Rosendale	86	103	88	88	5.4
District	1324	1482	1266	1368	84.1
Central teams*	-	-	325	258	15.9
Lancashire CLA	1324	1482	1591	1626	100



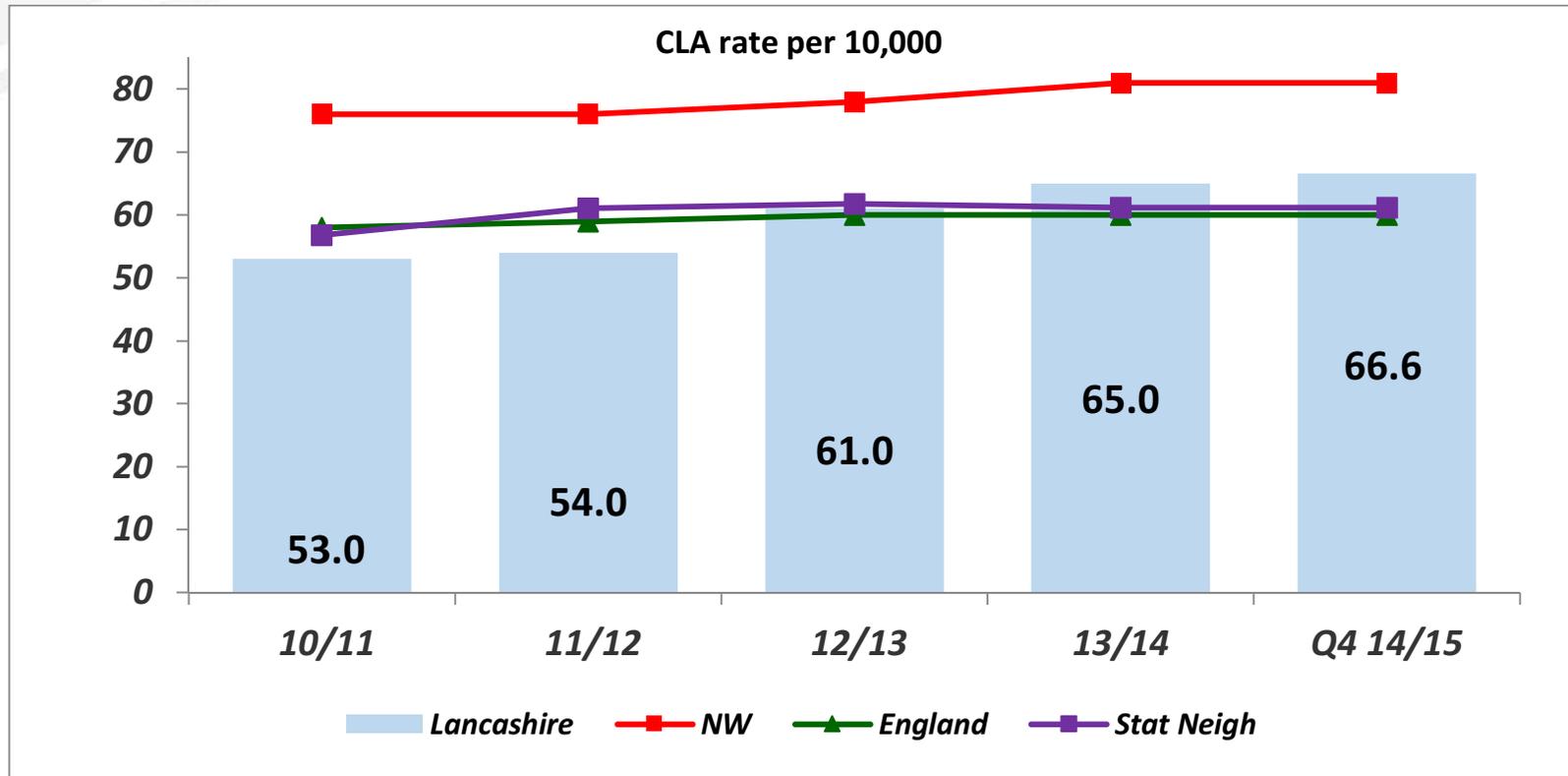
Commencement of LCS

** Where cases on LCS are not assigned to a district CSC team*

Life in Care – Facts Cont'd...

RATE PER 10,000 (0 – 17) OF CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER				
District	Mar-12	Mar-13	Mar-14	Mar-15
Lancaster	45.2	53.2	41.8	49.3
Fylde/Wyre	26.9	28.1	21.8	31.1
Preston	64.2	66.2	59.2	60.2
Chorley/ South Ribble	39.5	38.9	34	33.8
W Lancs	56.7	59.8	52.3	48.8
Hyndburn/Ribble Valley	60.4	68.9	49.3	57.4
Burnley	80.5	104.6	112.3	123.9
Pendle	91.5	107.5	85.6	88.4
Rossendale	56.9	68.2	58.3	58.2
Lancashire CLA	54.4	60.9	65.4	66.6

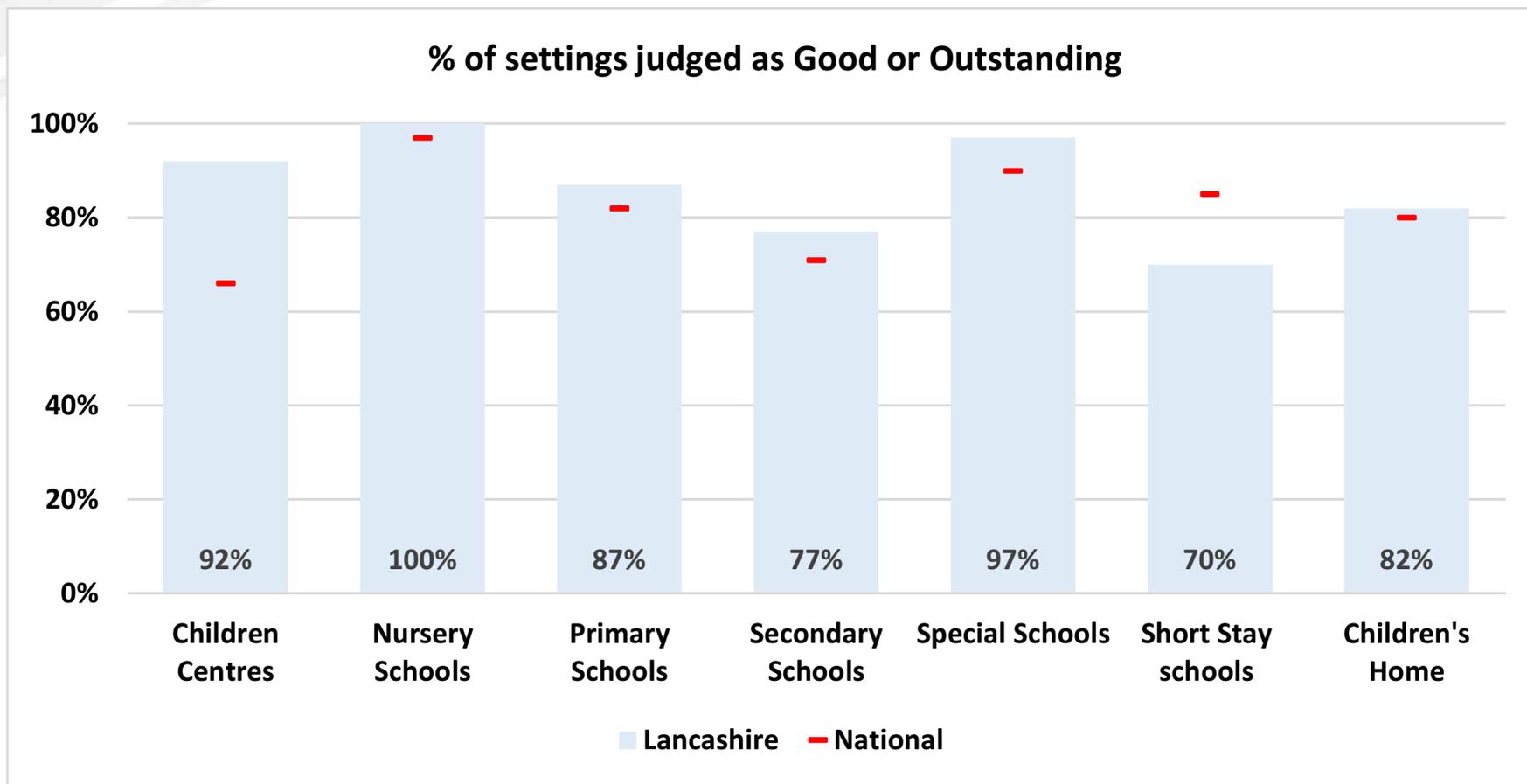

Commencement of LCS



Inspection Facts

	Total Inspected (Jun 14)	Number Judged Good or Outstanding	Number judged as Inadequate
Children Centres	59	54 (92%)	0
Nursery Schools	24	24 (100%)	0
Primary Schools	482	417 (87%)	2 (0.4%)
Secondary Schools	83	64 (77%)	8 (10%)
Special Schools	30	29 (97%)	0
Short Stay schools	10	7 (70%)	1 (10%)
Children's Home	17	14 (82%)	1 (5.8%)

Inspection Facts



Performance Data - Strengths

Measure	2014 Perf	Rank (out of 152 LAs)	Quartile	Eng Ave
CLA Adopted in the Year	15%	85	3	17%
Long Term Placement Stability of CLA	73%	20	1	67%
CLA Placed more than 20 miles away from Home	7%	10	1	13%
CLA – Level 4+ Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling at KS2	47%	48	3	49%
CLA – Persistent Absentees	4.3%	27	2	4.7%
CLA – Fixed Term Exclusions	7.0%	21	1	9.7%
Emotional Health of CLA (Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire)	13.0	29	1	13.9
CLA Offending	5.2%	33	2	5.6%
CLA – Level 4+ Maths at KS2	61%	38	2	61%

Validated figs for 2015 will be available at the end of the year

Possible Key Lines of Enquiry for Inspectors based on Performance Data



Measure	Current Perf	2014 Perf	Rank (out of 152 LAs)	Quartile	Eng Ave
CLA Rate Per 10,000	66.6 (Mar 15)	65.0 (2014)	83	3	60.0
% of care leavers in Suitable Accommodation	84.4% **	76.0%	103	3	77.8%
% of care leavers in Employment, Education or Training	38.8%	40%	104	3	45%
% of CLA 5 achieving GCSEs A* - C	16.5% **	40% (12/13)	96* (12/13)	4 (12/13)	36.6% (12/13)
% of CLA 5 achieving GCSEs A* - C inc Eng & Maths	8.9% **	12.9% (12/13)	46* (12/13)	4 (12/13)	15.3% (12/13)

* Not out of 152 LAs

** Not comparable to previous year due to DfE definition change for the indicator

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Continuous Improvement

The Board will look to:

- Strengthen role of LINX (CiCC) and LINX Junior (primary aged children) and increase its membership.
- Active monitoring of the Executive Summary: CLA Sufficiency and Commissioning Effective Placements Strategy – 2014-2017 and Activity Days.
- Maintain monitoring of all services available to CLA.
- Strengthen involvement of Elected Members including Reg 22 visits to Out of Borough children.
- Developing new ways of communicating with CLA.
- Identifying and linking in with partners on key issues eg police for CSE and District Councils for housing, LSCB – Challenge Panels.
- Promote and raise awareness of the Board.

Questions?

CPB to LSCB

- How can we continue to support the LSCB?

LSCB to CPB – any questions?

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