

Regional Adoption Agency Corporate Parenting Board

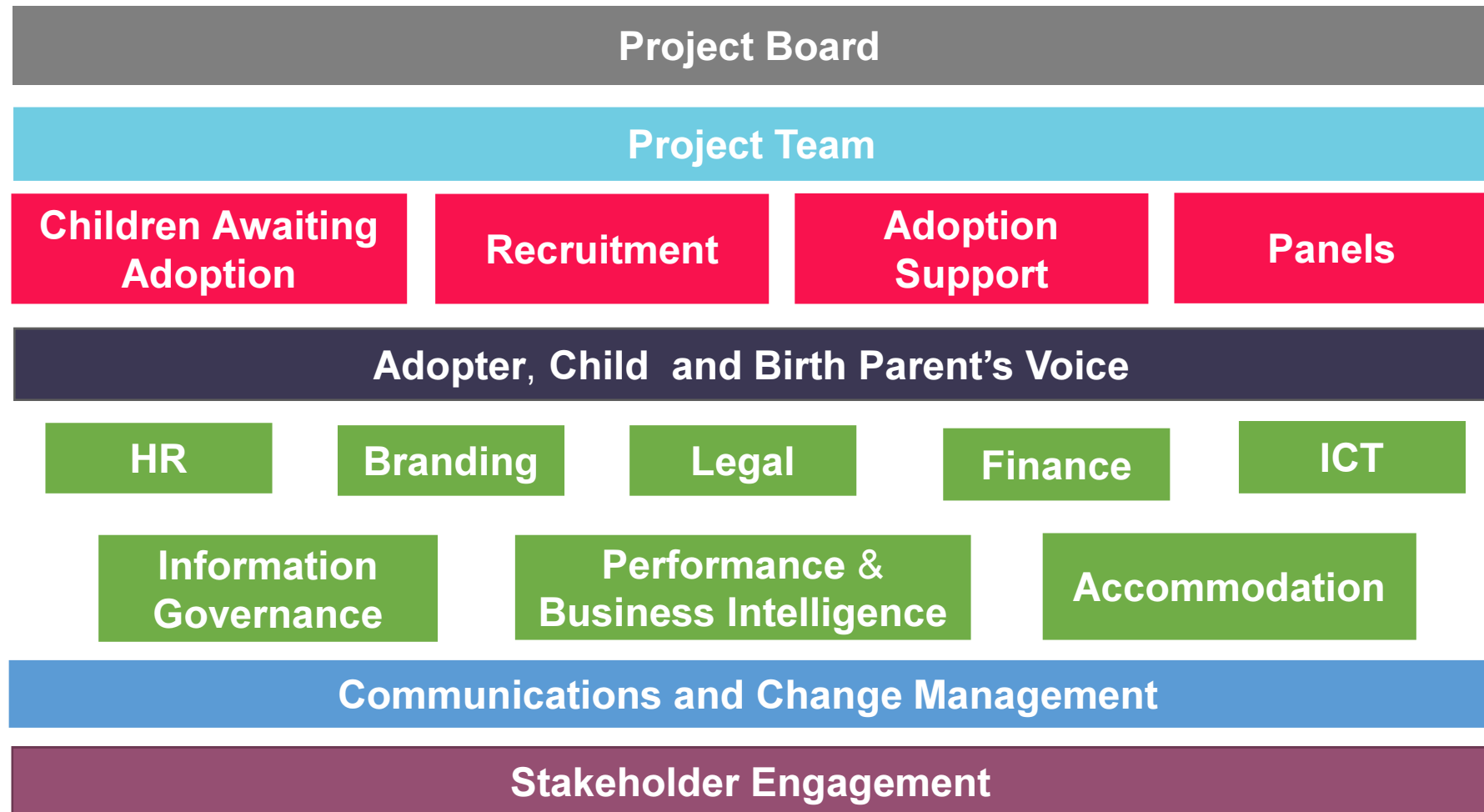
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Aims of RAAs:

In 'regionalising adoption', the DfE sets out the following aims for an RAA to achieve:

- Match children as quickly as possible
- Recruit enough adopters
- Have high quality adoption support services

Workstreams



Designing the RAA:



Legal Model

Scope of
Services

Staffing Model

What We've Done So Far:

- Spoke to staff, managers, Adopters and children
- Agreed how we work with voluntary agencies
- Run working groups/workshops on ICT, branding, HR and Information Governance
- Run service delivery workshops to design and plan how practice will work in the RAA
- Agreed some guiding principles
- Agreed that Lancashire will be the host authority

Guiding Principles:

That children find the right families without delay

We will engage with those who use our service to ensure that their voices are at the heart of our design

We have a shared vision for the RAA and a partnership ethos and will develop a shared language

We will use the best practice from each other to create an excellent service offer

Our integrated approach with our VAAs will ensure our children will get the best access to services

We will respect staff views and involve them in its design

We will go through this change journey together

We will have consistent and clear processes supported by effective ICT

We will have the right management structure and arrangements in place to deliver the best possible service, with clear decision making, roles and responsibilities

What's Important?

Trips

Involving Adopters

Support

Not having to repeat our stories

Understanding

Pre and Post Adoption Support

Making new friends

Events

Supporting children in foster care

Communication

More things for parents to do separately

Streamlined info

Next Steps

- Finalise the model
- More in-depth engagement with Adopters, children and birth parents
- Develop a new brand identity
- Agree the HR and financial model
- Explore staffing options and identify the implications
- Keep in touch with you

Any questions?

Thank you