

Lancashire County Council

Corporate Parenting Board

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 25th July, 2013 at 1.00 pm in The Duke of Lancaster Room (Formerly Cabinet Room 'C'), County Hall, Preston

Present: Members

County Councillor Margaret Brindle	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Ian Brown	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Gina Dowding	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Chris Henig	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Steven Holgate	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Dorothy Lord	- Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Sue Prynne	- Lancashire County Council
Jane Simpson	- representing Foster Carers
Catherine Cosslett	- representing Adoption
Bob Stott	- Director of Universal and Early Support Services
Kathryn, Kris, Callum, Maggie, Chloe and Mark	- Representing Children in Care Council (LINX)

Co-opted members

Marc Bentley	- Ambassador for Children and Young People
Diane Booth	- Children's Social Care
Shona Cornthwaite	- CCG

Other Attendees

Kate Baggaley	- Barnardos
Stuart Chaplin	- Children's Rights Society
Mark Elliott	- Governance and Project Support Team, LCC
Sam Gorton	- Governance Team, LCC
Joanna Hunt	- Children's Rights Society
Rosie Hunter	- National Voice Service
Louise Mackender de Cari	- Strategic Integrated Service Development Team, LCC

County Councillor	- Lancashire County Council
Matthew Tomlinson	
Faye Woodall	- Barnardos
Lisa Walsh	- Barnardos

1. Intros and games

The Board noted that Mark would be the Chair for this meeting and the young people led everyone present through a zombie game which enabled people to introduce themselves.

Following the game Mark got everybody back together to discuss the following topics.

2. Topic 1 - What LINX have been doing

Mark took the Board through a PowerPoint presentation on what LINX had been doing recently.

Everybody was pleased to note that Maggie Atkinson had spoken so highly of Lancashire and the work that is going on here.

Callum entertained the meeting with a rap he had done relating to a Rock FM advert they had been involved in.

Maggie and Kat updated the Board on various meetings they had attended.

Marc shared with the Board the experience of being involved in the recent Head of Children's Social Care interviews. Diane, as the successful applicant, complimented the young people of the professional way they conducted their panel. Diane also said it was the hardest bit of the interview!

The Hear by Rights handouts had been placed on the walls and Maggie and Kat fed back on that topic.

Finally a number of forthcoming events were shared, including the Children's Society in Lancashire's 'Speak Out Lancashire' event on 31 July 2013.

3. Topic 2 - CPB

The discussions from this topic were captured on the flipcharts.

4. Rosie Hunter - A National Voice

Rosie shared the work that had been done as part of the National Voice project.

Identified as good practice was when Corporate Parenting boards and CiCC come together and it was good to see this happening in Lancashire.

5. Topic 3 - Diamond Ranking

Mark and the young people split the Board into groups to consider the priorities and most important things for the Board to consider in the future.

These thoughts and priorities were captured on flipcharts.

These priorities would be worked up into the action plan for the Board for the year or so ahead.

6. Question time

There were no questions raised at this point.

7. AOB and Evaluations

The Young People directed the Board members to a flipchart on which people were to indicate how they felt things had gone at the meeting.

A large roll of paper was also available for people to comment on and all this information would be collated by LINX and circulated to the Board.

8. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The Young People were thanked for hosting such a lively and interactive meeting.

The Board noted that its next meeting was to be held on 12 September 2013.

