





# Corporate Parenting Board Performance Report

Feedback from LINX







### Focus on Outcomes for Care Leavers

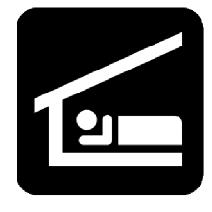
Latest statistics up to September 2014







### CARE LEAVERS IN SUITABLE ACCOMMODATION









#### "Suitable accommodation is regarded as suitable if it provides safe, secure and affordable provision for young people"







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







#### In 2013/14 out of 100 care leavers, 82 are considered to be in "suitable accommodation"







#### This is lower than two years ago, when 93 out of 100 were in "suitable accommodation"







#### The number of care leavers in suitable accommodation has declined from a high level in 2010/11 to a lower level in recent years





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### Performance as at the end of Quarter 2 in September 2014 was

64.3%









### This is below the target of 89 out of

100









#### What LINX have to say.....







# The number of Care Leavers in suitable accommodation is declining and below the national average – this is not acceptable







# There should be clear and consistent standards for what makes accommodation 'suitable'







The target of care leavers living in suitable accommodation should be 100% as everyone is entitled to be safe and secure







When a young person
leaves care, placement options
should be available for them
to consider, review
and be approved
before the move







### more support needs to be given around budgeting-as this often leads to problems

Missing rent payments could result in eviction







# CARE LEAVERS IN EDUCATION EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING









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







As at the end of 2013/14, 48 out of 100 care leavers were in education, training or employment on their 19th birthday







#### This is a lower performance than in 2012/13 when 55 out of 100 care leavers were in education, training or employment







#### Nationally, 86 out of 100 young people aged 16-24 are in education, training or employment (Sep 2014)







#### What LINX have to say.....







Care Leavers in Lancashire should be accessing education, employment or training at the same rate as other Care Leavers in England







### Care Leavers need more support to access the available apprenticeships and volunteering schemes







Funding could be used as an early intervention to help young people with grades in the form of extra tuition







## More help is needed to help care leavers find courses and employment







### Assistance with writing CVs or developing ICT and/or skills is crucial







## Available funds in the form of college bursaries should be more accessible as not everyone is aware of what they are entitled to financially







# In 2013/14 there were 36 care leavers studying at university including 13 first year students



## In 2014/15 there are 40 care leavers studying at university, including 10 first year students

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3 care leavers retook a year in 2014/15







#### What LINX have to say.....







The decision to study at University must be an appropriate choice for the applicant and suitable students need to be well supported







# There should be more support for care leavers to get into universities







# Not all Care Leavers are aware of the support and funding available to them







### Workers need to know their stuff and share information







Individuals may be put off attending university as they may be worried about not having anywhere to live during the holidays







At the moment
it can depend on where you live
and what worker you have
as to how much you
get to know
about your rights







# Fully trained staff who know about rights for Care Leavers and who keep their knowledge current







better support for
Care Leavers at
an earlier age
to help them plan
making decisions
about higher education







# leaving care and starting university occur at the same time making it a stressful time for young people







## professionals should recognize this and provide additional support if required







#### Out of term accommodation needs to be more readily available for care leavers







# The 'Staying Put' policy should apply to all Looked After Children not just those placed with Lancashire "in-house" foster carers

## The End