Meeting of the Full Council - 14 December 2017

Report on the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 18 October 2017

Chair: County Councillor Andrea Kay

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Children's Services Scrutiny Committee

Tracking of Care Leavers - Overview of New Process

The report presented explained the Local Authority's responsibility as corporate parents to support Lancashire's children looked after (CLA) and Care Leavers, and to enable them to become independent and successful adults. A key element of this was access to education and training that would lead to positive outcomes. A review of the current offer of support was in process to develop more effective systems and practices.

Resolved: That;

- i. The report be noted.
- ii. Committee members identify potential opportunities in their own divisions/district to increase supported employment and training for children looked after and care leavers across Lancashire.

Homelessness Protocol and Supported Accommodation

The report presented explained that the homelessness protocol for children aged 16 – 17 years was aimed to support and enable children considered to be homeless to secure appropriate assessment and accommodation. The protocol was established to ensure a streamlined process to assess and meet the needs between housing and social care.

Resolved: That the report be noted.