

Corporate Parenting Board Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 19 September 2023

Report of the Head of Law and Governance

Electoral Division affected: None;

Constitution, Membership and Terms of Reference of the Committee (Appendix 'A')

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Brief Summary

The Constitution, Membership and Terms of Reference of the Corporate Parenting Board which includes the additional responsibility of the Board following approval at Cabinet on 6 July 2023 of the 'whole Council approach' to the Care Leavers Covenant.

Recommendation

The Corporate Parenting Board is asked to review and approve the revised Constitution, Membership and Terms of Reference as set out at Appendix 'A', which includes the additional responsibility of the Board for overseeing the county council's adoption and implementation of the Care Leavers Covenant 'whole Council approach' following the request of Cabinet on 6 July 2023.

Detail

The county council at its meeting of Full Council on 25 May 2023 approved the constitution, membership and terms of reference of the Corporate Parenting Board.

A further meeting of Cabinet was held on 6 July 2023 where it considered a proposal that the county council signed up to and adopted the Care Leaver Covenant's 'whole Council approach', in order to improve the services provided to and opportunities for care leavers (ie Local Offer) with the county council's partners in Lancashire. It was noted that the Care Leaver Covenant was a national inclusion programme that

supported care leavers aged 16 to 25 to live independently. The scheme was funded by the Department for Education and encouraged local authorities and partners to sign up and make pledges to support care leavers. The county council agreed to sign up to the Care Leaver Covenant's 'whole Council approach' and to adopt the five-part strategy, and that the responsibility for overseeing this would be the Corporate Parenting Board and would be added to their Terms of Reference.

The Board's revised Terms of Reference are set out at Appendix 'A'.

Appendices

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Appendix 'A' is attached to this report. For clarification they are summarised below and referenced at relevant points within this report.

Appendix	Title
Appendix 'A'	Constitution, Membership and Terms of Reference of the
	Committee – September 2023.