

## **Children, Culture & Communities Scrutiny Committee 5 December 2023**

Report of the Corporate Director of Children and Education

### **Corporate Parenting Board Annual Report**

#### **Summary**

1. This report presents the first ever Corporate Parenting Board Annual Report.

#### **Background**

2. The Corporate Parenting Board provides a leadership role by championing the specific needs of children and young people who are, or have been, looked after by the local authority. It does this through working with elected members, officers within the Council, with colleagues from partner agencies and directly with children and young people.
3. The council's constitution was updated in 2023. Article 20 sets out the purpose and aims and objectives of the Corporate Parenting Board. The Annual Report provides all Elected Members with the opportunity to be understand their corporate parenting responsibilities, the effectiveness of the Board and the work of the Council in using its services to best promote the support provided to children in care and care leavers.
4. In June and July, a task and finish group worked with young people to develop the first ever annual report for the Corporate Parenting Board. The report is structured around the eight objectives of the current Corporate Parenting Strategy.
5. The Corporate Parenting Board 2022/23 Annual Report is presented in Annex A. This was agreed at the Corporate Parenting Board meeting in September 2023.

## **Council Plan**

6. One City, for all, the City of York Council's Council Plan (2023-2027), sets a strong ambition to increase opportunities for everyone living in York to live healthy and fulfilling lives. Specific areas relating to this paper are:
  - 4: Start good health and wellbeing young:
    - ii. 4.3: Continue our improvement journey to deliver good and outstanding children's services with the voice of the child heard throughout all council operations.
    - iii. 4.4. Embed corporate parenting so children in care and care leavers can thrive.

## **Implications**

7. There is no decision related to this paper and as such no implications to consider.

## **Risk Management**

8. No recommendations are being made by this report and as such no additional risk management is required.

## **Recommendations**

9. To note and comment upon the contents of this report.

Reason: So that members are updated on the work of the Corporate Parenting Board.

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**Wards Affected:** *List wards or tick box to indicate all*

**All**

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## Annexes

**Annex A** – City of York Council Corporate Parenting Board Annual Report 2022-2023.

## Abbreviations

None