

Corporate Parenting Board

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Report of the Corporate Director of Children, Education and Communities

Annual Advocacy Report 2016-17

Summary

1. The aim of this report is to share with the Corporate Parenting Board the 2016-17 Annual Advocacy Report, which provides a review of the statistics on the demographic of young people who have requested advocacy, details advocacy requests / common themes and reviews the outcomes of the service.

Background

2. The Children's Rights and Advocacy Services (known as Speak Up) provides advocacy for children and young people who are in care, on a child protection plan or wanting to make a complaint against the council, in line with the Local Authority's statutory duty.

Consultation

3. See Annex A.

Options

4. See Annex A.

Analysis

5. See Annex A.

Council Plan

6. See Annex A.

Implications

7. Financial: There are no financial implications to consider.

Human Resources (HR): There are no HR implications to consider.

Equalities There are no issues relating to equalities to consider.

Legal: There are no legal implications to consider.

Crime and Disorder: There are no issues relating to crime and disorder.

Information Technology (IT) There are no IT implications.

Property: There are no issues relating to property.

Other: There are no other known implications.

Risk Management

8. There are no risks to consider.

Recommendations

9. Members are asked to note the information provided in the 2016-17 Annual Advocacy Report.

Reason: In order that Members are briefed on the advocacy casework that is carried out with children and young people.

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Wards Affected:

All

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Background Papers:

None

Annexes

Annex A – 2016-17 Annual Advocacy Report