

## **Corporate Parenting Board**

**12 February 2018**

Report of Corporate Director of Children, Education and Communities

## **The Children and Social Work Act 2017**

### **Summary**

1. This report provides the Corporate Parenting Board with an update around a number of the new duties of the Children and Social Work Act 2017.

### **Background**

2. The new duties are likely to commence on 1 April 2018. The new duties relevant to this paper are:
  1. Local Authorities must negotiate and publish their care leaver offer
  2. Leaving care support to extend from 21 to 25
  3. Introduction of Corporate Parenting Principles
  4. Introduction of a Care Leaver Covenant

### **Consultation**

3. This agenda item outlines how this Local Authority intends to meet the new duties.

### **Options**

4. This agenda item will enable Corporate Parenting Board to comment on progress.

### **Analysis**

5. In York our Corporate Parenting Board has lead responsibility for looking strategically at experiences and services for children in care and care leavers. The Local Authority is well placed to be able to meet the new duties outlined under the Act and this agenda item evidences.

## **Council Plan**

6. Children and Young People in Care Strategy 2016-2020.

7. Council Plan 2016-2019 - A Focus on Frontline Services.

## **Implications**

8. The implications arising from this report are:

- **Financial** - 1 fte Pathway Post.
- **Human Resources (HR)** - None
- **Equalities** - None
- **Legal** - The Local Authority must comply with new duties, likely to be April 2018 onwards.
- **Crime and Disorder** - None
- **Information Technology (IT)** - None
- **Property** - None
- **Risk Management** - None

## **Recommendations**

9. Corporate Parenting Board to note this agenda item.

Reason: To clarify any issues arising.

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**Specialist Implications Officer(s)** None

**Wards Affected:**

**All**

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**Background Papers:**

None

**Annexes**

Annex A - Children and Social Work Act Update January 2018

Annex B - Corporate Parenting Principles Guidance