

Corporate Parenting Board Agenda



To: Councillor Maria Gatland (Chair)

Councillors Sue Bennett, Janet Campbell, Amy Foster, Patricia Hay-Justice, Joseph Lee, Ian Parker and Catherine Wilson

Core Members

Co-Chair, Care Experienced Young Person (voting)
Children Looked After/Care Experienced Young People living in and out of Croydon Borough (non-voting)
Carer Representatives (Voting): Angela Christmas, Manny Kwamin
Parent/Grandparent representatives (voting)
Director of Education (non-voting): Shelley Davies
Director of Housing Management (non-voting): Mary Larbie
Director of Adult Social Care (non-voting): Simon Robson
NHS Commissioner (voting): Shelley Prince

A meeting of the **Corporate Parenting Board** which you are hereby summoned to attend, will be held on **Wednesday, 19 February 2025 at 5.20 pm in Room 1.01 and 1.02 - Bernard Weatherill House, Mint Walk, Croydon CR0 1EA**

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If you require any assistance, please contact Sam Chung, Democratic Services as detailed above.

AGENDA – PART A

1. Terms of Reference (Pages 5 - 8)

The current Terms of Reference of the Corporate Parenting Board.

2. Apologies for absence

To receive any apologies for absence from any members of the Board.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 9 - 24)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 27 November 2024 as an accurate record.

4. Disclosures of interest

Members and co-opted Members of the Council are reminded that, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct and the statutory provisions of the Localism Act 2011, they are required to consider **in advance of each meeting** whether they have a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI), some other registrable interest (ORI) or a non-registrable interest (NRI) in relation to any matter on the agenda. If advice is needed, Members should contact the Monitoring Officer **in good time before the meeting**.

If any Member or co-opted Member of the Council identifies a DPI or ORI which they have not already registered on the Council's register of interests or which requires updating, they must urgently complete the disclosure form which can be obtained from Democratic Services at any time, copies of which will be available at the meeting for return to the Monitoring Officer.

Members and co-opted Members are required in general to disclose any relevant DPIs, ORIs or NRIs at the meeting.

- Where the matter relates to a DPI they may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not stay in the room unless granted a dispensation.
- Where the matter directly relates to the financial interest or wellbeing of an ORI they may not vote on the matter unless granted a dispensation.
- Where a Member or co-opted Member has an NRI which directly relates to or affects their or a relevant person's financial interest or wellbeing, whether they can participate in any discussion or vote on the matter or stay in the room depends on the detailed rules in paragraphs 7 to 9 of Appendix B of the Members' Code of Conduct.

The Chair will invite Members to make their disclosure of interests orally at the meeting and they will also be recorded in the minutes.

5. Urgent Business (if any)

To receive notice of any business not on the agenda which in the opinion of the Chair, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

6. Update from Children's Participation Team & Children in Care Council

To receive a verbal update from the Children's Participation Team and Children in Care Council.

7. Ofsted ILACS Inspection Outcome

To receive the Ofsted ILACS inspection outcome.

8. Education, Employment & Training for Children in Care & Care Experienced Young People - Annual Report of the Virtual School 2023-24 (Pages 25 - 60)

For the reasons set out in the report and its appendices, the Corporate Parenting Board is recommended:

1. To agree the report and review the key priorities for the Access to Education Service, which form the foundation for the day-to-day operation of the Virtual School.
2. To request an additional £250k funding via the schools forum. The Schools Forum have agreed £750k to fund the staffing and activity of Virtual School (annually for the last 5 years). We now need this extra budget to support the staffing and operation of our bespoke, 40 place provision for Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children (UASC) and refugee and asylum ESOL children in Croydon.

9. Pathway Planning

To receive a verbal update on the Pathway Plan

10. Performance Report (To Follow)

11. Exclusion of the Press and Public

The following motion is to be moved and seconded where it is proposed to exclude the press and public from the remainder of a meeting:

“That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the

press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within those paragraphs indicated in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.”