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**Decision Maker:** CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND FAMILIES PDS COMMITTEE

**Date:** MeetingDate

**Decision Type:** Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

**Title:** CORPORATE PARENTING ANNUAL REPORT

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**Ward:** Wards

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1. Reason for report

The Corporate Parenting Annual Report captures the activity of the council and corporate partners to support children in care and care leavers.

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2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- Respond to the findings of both Brightspots Surveys.
- Creation of recruitment and interview training schedule for young people run in conjunction with HR.
- Establish a standard expectation that young people will be involved in key recruitment events and interviews.
- Ensure that young people continue to have opportunities to shape their care plans and pathway plans.
- Creation of training schedule around race and identity for children's social care
- Delivery of Young Inspector's programme
- Delivery of Young Parents attachment and trauma training
- Sustain improvements in long term placement stability by offering support as soon as placements become fragile and learning positive lessons from lockdown
- Recruit more foster carers who are able to manage children with higher levels of need.
- Improve placement sufficiency and choice particularly in relation to placing children and young people closer to home.
- Creation of pathway for young people with complex needs as they transition to adulthood
- Strengthen training offer for YPAs around adult safeguarding
- Work with SEN/VS to create new post to oversee cohort of CLA with SEN to bolster monitoring and review of EHC plans

- Work with CWD and adult services to support young people with additional needs transitioning to adult
- Improved health interventions for Care Leavers in relation to physical health and mental health services. Consideration to be given to extending services of the CLA nurses in line with the extended duties to care leavers.
- Exploration of emotional support via mentoring scheme with Bromley Y
- Substance misuse training for all staff to include information about new drugs and risks relating to county lines activity
- Extended Leisure offer for Care Leavers to be considered
- Launch Bid to DWP for additional funding for young people at risk of NETE
- Establish NETE group work programme to run twice yearly and establish work experience offer
- Work with SEN/VS to create new post to oversee cohort of CLA with SEN to bolster monitoring and review of EHC plans
- Revise and Relaunch a Multi-Agency Local Offer for Care Leavers.
- Deliver a moving on group work programme to support young people who are transitioning to leaving care service and to independent living.
- Bright spots survey for care leavers to be disseminated November 2020 and feedback collated and built in to service plan
- Discussions with CCG and Bromley Y about building on the offer for emotional and MH support for care leavers.
- Young Inspectors Scheme to launch
- Launch of young mums theraplay group

### Impact on Vulnerable Adults and Children

1. Summary of Impact: Our looked after children and care leavers are amongst the most vulnerable in our community. The London Borough of Bromley recognises the central duty of the local authority and corporate parenting partners to ensure young people in care and leaving care are given every opportunity to experience a safe, healthy and happy life in which they achieve their potential. Being the best (corporate) parents we can be, has been at the heart of our improvement journey and it is clear that the quality and impact of our service delivery is making a real difference to children and young people.
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### Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy:
  2. BBB Priority: Children and Young People:
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### Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Not Applicable:
  2. Ongoing costs: Recurring Cost Non-Recurring Cost Not Applicable: Further Details
  3. Budget head/performance centre:
  4. Total current budget for this head: £
  5. Source of funding:
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### Personnel

1. Number of staff (current and additional):
  2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours:
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### Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory Requirement Non-Statutory - Government Guidance None: Further Details
  2. Call-in: Applicable Not Applicable: Further Details
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### Procurement

1. Summary of Procurement Implications:
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### Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected):
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### Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Yes No Not Applicable
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments:

**3. COMMENTARY**

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**4. IMPACT ON VULNERABLE ADULTS AND CHILDREN**

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**5. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

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**6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

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**7. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

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**9. PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS**

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