

Report for: Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee

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Title: Annual Report of Fostering Service April 2020 to March 2021

Report

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Ward(s) affected: NA

1. Describe the issue under consideration

This is the Annual Report of the Fostering Service from April 2020 to March 2021 which evaluates the service provisions, key objectives and priorities for future developments

2. Recommendations

Members are asked to receive the report which is for information.

3. Background information

3.1 The Annual Report gives details of the support given to foster carers, both in-house and through external placement, for Haringey's children.

3.2 The report indicates the challenges to our key priorities both in terms of a maturing foster career cohort (although this is also a positive in terms of their experience) and the impact of Covid on issues of recruitment and Special Guardianship Assessments.

3.3 The report outlines the support given to ensure that the voice of the child is heard, as well as support to ensure placement stability.

3.4 The report further outlines the priorities for 2022/23

3.5 The report focuses on the outcome of the work undertaken by the service and its impact on children.

2 Contribution to strategic outcomes

- Borough Plan 2019-2022
- People Priority: A Haringey where strong families, strong networks and strong communities nurture all residents to live well and achieve their potential