

**Report for:** Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee

**Item number:** 7

**Title:** Private Fostering Statement

**Report authorised by :** Ann Graham, Director, Children's Services

**Lead Officer:** Beverley Hendricks, Assistant Director, Children's Safeguarding and Social Care

**Ward(s) affected:** ALL

## **1. Describe the issue under consideration**

This *Statement of Purpose* is a description of private fostering arrangements within the London Borough of Haringey. The document provides a clear description and guide to the service for professionals, the public, council members and external organisations.

## **2. Recommendations**

That Members approve Haringey Private Fostering Statement of Purpose

## **3. Reasons for decision**

Requirement to publish an approved Private Fostering Statement of Purpose.

## **4. Background information**

The duties of the local authority in relation to private fostering are set out in the Children Act 1989, the Children (Private Arrangement for Fostering) Regulations 2005 and amendments are contained within the Children Act 2004. The *National Minimum Standards for Private Fostering 2005* sets out a number of standards which all local authorities must meet in discharging their duties.

## **5. 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

## **6. Use of Appendices**

Appendix A – Haringey Private Fostering Statement of Purpose

## **7. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985**

N/A