

Report for: Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee

Item number:

Title: Corporate parenting week

Report

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Lead Officers: Keith Warren & Emma Cumbergen

Ward(s) affected: N/A

1. Describe the issue under consideration.

1.1 The proposed schedule for corporate parenting week is being presented to Members.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That Members endorse the schedule.

3. Reasons for decision

3.1 Members have corporate responsibility and therefore the proposal needs their endorsement.

4. Background information

4.1 Corporate Parenting Week is planned for 19 to 23 February 2024. It is a themed week of learning and activities across Haringey Council to promote and strengthen our collective responsibility to the children in our care and the young adults leaving our care. The week brings together a range of formal and informal events involving a range of stakeholders and importantly to celebrate our children and young adults.

5. Contribution to strategic outcomes

N/A

6. Use of Appendices

Appendix 1- Proposed schedule

7. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

N/A

Appendix 1



Corporate Parenting Week 19th February 2024

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Monday

12.00-12.45pm

Corporate Parenting Week Launch*

Who: The Leader Councillor, Lead Member for Children's Services, DCS and CEX

This launch will focus on our corporate parenting values and a call for pledges in the following areas:

- Developing our professional understanding and empathy for the lived experience of children and young adults in our care –promoting our training offer Total Respect, for all staff in CSC, but also open to education professionals, foster carers and other care staff, Councillors and partner agencies.
- Networking and sponsorship – donations and in-kind support for our activities programme throughout the year.
- Befriending – become an Independent Visitor to befriend and offer social support for a child in care or a young adult leaving care through monthly social time.
- Fostering – can you or someone you know foster, or offer host and support?
- Council internships and internships in partner organisations and local business – can you offer a young adult leaving our care a fixed term job opportunity? A part-time internship can offer a care leaver in education, a meaningful pathway into the world of work. A budget awarded every month, could create a ring-fenced job role for a care leaver in areas that support their training and development. Internships to develop talent for future apprenticeships.
- Christmas – Supporting our looked after children and care leavers at Christmas (physical and monetary donations), including care leavers with children – Just Giving Page to go live
- Make a pledge in one of these areas!

**Comms and social media coverage*

12.45 - 1.30pm

Corporate Parenting Week Information & Stalls (banners throughout)

What:

CPW Timetable and Participation Timetable

Fostering Information Stall with Banners

IV Information Stall with flyers

Total Respect Information and dates

Information on host an internship

Just Giving Campaign

Helpers across the week:

Fostering rep, CLA rep, leaving care rep, Participation and Virtual school on rotation and Request for helpers sent

3.30-6.00pm

Monday Club Special (After school activities)

What: Superheroes and Life stories Feedback

Who: Special guests from Children in Care Service and Guest of honour

Tuesday

12.30 - 1.30pm

Corporate Parenting Week Information & Stalls (banners)

6pm – 8pm

Positive Journeys Seniors (Cooking Special)

Who: Participation Leader, 2 Support Staff, 3 special guests and approximately 12 young people (max. 18).

What: Launch Proud to be me -

Wednesday

10am – 12midday Foster Carer Coffee Morning*

CPAC Champion leading the discussions.

A special edition of our monthly foster carer coffee morning to show appreciation for our foster carers and those colleagues supporting them.

**Comms and social media*

12.30 - 1.30pm Corporate Parenting Week Information & Stalls (banners)

5.30-7.30pm

Tottenham Football Club

Supporting Foster carers, CIC and CL

Thursday

12.30 - 1.30pm Corporate Parenting Week Information & Stalls (banners displayed)

Friday

5pm – 9.30pm

Talent Achievement Awards for Children and young people in care and looked after – Virtual school

Who: Children in our care up to 18 and care leavers up to 25 , foster families, key workers, parents, professionals, special guests/sponsors and elected members to take place in the public gallery

What: A formal achievement ceremony to celebrate CIC and CL creative abilities, transitions to independence etc...

**Comms and social media*