



Briefing for:	Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee
Title:	Terms of Reference
Lead Officer:	Carolyn Banks
Date:	6 July 2010

1. Purpose

To consider the terms of reference for this body for the Municipal year 2010/11

2. Background information

When this Committee was originally set up in April 2009 it was agreed that its terms of reference would be the subject to a review by the Cabinet member for Children and Young People after one year in operation. Accordingly the Cabinet Member has requested that this meeting consider and comment on the terms of reference for the Committee.

3. Terms of reference

The Cabinet at its meeting on 15 June noted the current terms of reference as follows:-

- (1) To be responsible for the Council's role as Corporate parent for those children and young people who are in care.
- (2) To ensure the views of children in care are heard.
- (3) To seek to ensure that the life chances of children in care are maximised in terms of health, educational attainment and access to training and employment to aid the transition to a secure and fulfilling adulthood.



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- (4) To ensure that the voice and needs of disabled children are identified and provided for.
- (5) To provide an advocacy function within the Children's Trust and the Council on behalf of children in care.
- (6) To monitor the quality of care provided by the council to Children in Care
- (7) To ensure that children leaving care have sustainable arrangements for their future wellbeing.

4. Membership and officer support

This will be made up of the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People (Chair), three other Members of the Majority Group and three Members of the Minority Group. The quorum would be 2.

The committee will report to the cabinet on a twice yearly basis and to Full Council annually.

The group will also be supported by officer representatives from:

- Strategic and Community Housing Service
- Health Service
- Children and Young People Service

5. Recommendation

That consideration be given to the current terms of reference and whether any changes should be recommended to Cabinet.