



Haringey Council

Report for:	Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee	Item Number:	
Title:	Terms of reference		
Report Authorised by:			
Lead Officer:	Ayshe Simsek		
Ward(s) affected:	Report for Key/Non Key Decisions:		

1. Describe the issue under consideration

To ratify the terms of reference agreed by Cabinet on 25th June 2014

2. Cabinet Member introduction

N/A

3. Recommendations

To ratify the terms of reference

4. Other options considered

N/A

5. Background information

Provision exists in the Council Constitution for the Cabinet to establish advisory or consultative bodies the membership of which is not limited to Cabinet Members. The Joint Area Review report into Haringey's Children Services in 2009 identified the need to improve governance of safeguarding arrangements for children. The



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Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee was established in July 2009 in response to this and has continued to be re-established by the Cabinet, on an annual basis, since this date.

Most local authorities have a Corporate Parenting Committee as they provide an overview of the Council's role as corporate parent for children and young people who are in care. It is responsible for ensuring that the life chances of children in care are maximized in terms of health, educational attainment and access to training and employment, in order to aid the transition to a secure and fulfilling adulthood.

Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee Membership

Councillors: Waters (Chair)
 Stennett
 Gunes
 Weston
 Berryman
 Morris
 Hare

Quorum

The quorum will be two members.

The terms of reference are set out below:

- i. To be responsible for the Council's role as Corporate parent for those children and young people who are in care;
- ii. To ensure the views of children in care are heard;
- iii. To seek to ensure that the life chances of children in care are maximized in terms of health, educational attainment and access to training and employment to aid the transition to a secure and fulfilling adulthood.
- iv. To ensure that the voice and needs of disabled children are identified and provided for;



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- v. To provide an advocacy function within the Children's Trust and the Council on behalf of children in care;
- vi. To monitor the quality of care provided by the Council to Children in Care;
- vii. To ensure that children leaving care have sustainable arrangements for their future wellbeing.

6. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

Background Papers

The following background papers were used in the preparation of this report;

Report to the Cabinet on 24 February 2009 entitled Action Plan in Response to the Joint Area Review of Safeguarding in Haringey.

Report to the Cabinet on 21 July 2009 entitled Appointment of Cabinet Advisory Committees.

Report to Cabinet on 15 July 2010 entitled Appointment of Cabinet Committees.

Report to Cabinet on 07 June 2011 entitled Appointment of Cabinet Committees

Report to Cabinet on 12 June 2012 entitled Appointment of Cabinet Advisory Committees.

Report to Cabinet on 18 June 2013 entitled Appointment of Cabinet Advisory Committees.

The background paper is located at River Park House, 225 High Road, Wood Green, London N22 8HQ.

To inspect it or to discuss this report further, please contact Ayshe Simsek on 020 8489 2929.