



Open Report on behalf of Heather Sandy, Executive Director - Children's Services

Report to:	Corporate Parenting Panel
Date:	09 November 2023
Subject:	Private Fostering Annual Report 2022-2023

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to inform the Corporate Parenting Panel about the work of the broader Children's and Fostering Service in relation to Private Fostering.

Actions Required:

That the Corporate Parenting Panel reviews and endorses the Private Fostering Annual Report 2022-2023.

1. Background

This report presents the Private Fostering Annual Report for 2022-2023 to members of the Corporate Parenting Panel.

The requirements under The Children (Private Arrangements for Fostering) Regulations 2005 to Private Fostering are made under the Children Act 1989.

The Private Fostering National Minimum Standards are issued under Section 7 of the Local Authority Social Services Act 1970 where Local Authorities are expected to comply with such requirements.

The Annual Report attached as Appendix A sets out the relevant performance information and how the Council has discharged its responsibilities in the year 2022-2023.

2. Conclusion

The continued progress of the service is detailed within the attached annual report and is shared as an accurate reflection of how the Council has discharged its responsibilities.

3. Consultation

a) Risks and Impact Analysis

N/A

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Private Fostering Annual Report 2022-2023

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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