



**Open Report on behalf of Andrew Crookham,  
Deputy Chief Executive & Executive Director – Resources**

Report to:	<b>Corporate Parenting Panel</b>
Date:	<b>09 November 2023</b>
Subject:	<b>Corporate Parenting Panel Work Programme</b>

**Summary:**

This item enables the Panel to consider and comment on the content of its work programme for the coming year to ensure that scrutiny activity is focused where it can be of greatest benefit. The work programme will be reviewed at each meeting of the Corporate Parenting Panel to ensure that its contents are still relevant and will add value to the work of the Council and partners.

**Actions Required:**

Members of the Corporate Parenting Panel are invited to:

- (1) Review and approve the work programme; and,
- (2) Highlight any additional activity which could be included for consideration in the work programme.

## **1. Background**

Overview and Scrutiny should be positive, constructive, independent, fair, and open. The scrutiny process should be challenging, as its aim is to identify areas for improvement. Scrutiny activity should be targeted, focused and timely and include issues of corporate and local importance, where scrutiny activity can influence and add value.

Members are encouraged to highlight items that could be included for consideration in the work programme.

## 2. Work Programme

<b>9 November 2023</b>		
	<b>Item</b>	<b>Contributor</b>
1.	<b>Independent Reviewing Service Six Monthly Update Report (1 April 2023 - 30 September 2023)</b>	Richard Stone, Team Manager - Quality and Standards - Lead for Children in Care
2.	<b>Regulation 44 Independent Visitors Report</b>	Carolyn Knight, Head of Service - Quality and Standards and Principal Social Worker
3.	<b>Fostering Quarterly Performance Report - Quarters 1 and 2</b>	Emily McAllister, Fostering Team Manager
4.	<b>Private Fostering Annual Report 2022 - 2023</b>	Nicola Brangham, Fostering Team Manager
5.	<b>Annual Report of the Regional Adoption Agency</b>	Tara Jones, Assistant Director – Children’s Safeguarding
6.	<b>Lincolnshire Children in Care Council - Voices for Choices (V4C) Update Report</b>	Ben Lilley, Practice Supervisor - Children’s Services (Quality and Standards)
<b>INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS</b>		
7.	<b>Private Fostering Statement of Purpose 2022 - 2023</b>	Nicola Brangham, Fostering Team Manager

<b>18 JANUARY 2024</b>		
	<b>Item</b>	<b>Contributor</b>
1.	<b>Children in Care Performance Measures Quarter 2</b>	Tara Jones, Assistant Director – Children’s Safeguarding
2.	<b>Children in Care Annual Health Report 2022/23</b>	Tara Jones, Assistant Director – Children’s Safeguarding
3.	<b>Lincolnshire Leaving Care - 6 Monthly Update Report by Barnardo’s</b>	Lisa Adams, Service Manager, Barnardo’s

<b>14 MARCH 2024</b>		
	<b>Item</b>	<b>Contributor</b>
1.	<b>LCC Virtual School Report Academic Year 2022-23</b>	Sarah Lane, Virtual School Head
2.	<b>Children in Care Performance Measures Quarter 3</b>	Tara Jones, Assistant Director – Children’s Safeguarding

<b>14 MARCH 2024</b>	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Contributor</b>
<b>3. Fostering Quarterly Performance Report – Quarter 3</b>	Deborah Crawford, Head of Service - Fostering and Adoption

<b>09 MAY 2024</b>	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Contributor</b>
<b>1. Voices for Choices (V4C) Update Report</b>	Ben Lilley, Practice Supervisor - Children's Services (Quality and Standards)
<b>2. Children in Care Sufficiency Strategy 2023-2027 - Annual Update on Action Plan</b>	Bridie Fletcher, Senior Commissioning Officer – Children's Commissioning Amy Allcock, Commissioning Manager- Commercial

<b>25 JULY 2024</b>	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Contributor</b>
<b>1. Election of the Chairman</b>	Democratic Services Officer
<b>2. Election of the Vice Chairman</b>	Democratic Services Officer
<b>3. Children in Care Performance Measures Quarter 4</b>	Tara Jones, Assistant Director – Children's Safeguarding
<b>4. Fostering Quarterly Performance Report - Quarter 4</b>	Deborah Crawford, Head of Service - Fostering and Adoption
<b>5. Lincolnshire Leaving Care - 6 Monthly Update Report by Barnardo's</b>	Lisa Adams, Service Manager, Barnardo's
<b>6. Independent Reviewing Service Yearly Report</b>	Carolyn Knight, Head of Service - Quality and Standards and Principal Social Worker
<b>7. Regulation 44 Independent Visitors Report</b>	Carolyn Knight, Head of Service - Quality and Standards and Principal Social Worker

<b>12 SEPTEMBER 2024</b>	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Contributor</b>
<b>1. Children in Care Performance Measures Quarter 1</b>	Tara Jones, Assistant Director – Children's Safeguarding
<b>2. Fostering Quarterly Performance Report Quarter 1</b>	Deborah Crawford, Head of Service - Fostering and Adoption
<b>3. Adoption Annual Report 2023-2024</b>	Sharon Clarke, Interim Team Manager, Adoption

<b>12 SEPTEMBER 2024</b>		
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4.	<b>Adoption Statement of Purpose 2023-2024</b>	Sharon Clarke, Interim Team Manager, Adoption
5.	<b>Fostering Annual Report 2023-2024</b>	Emily McAllister, Fostering Team Manager Nicola Brangam, Fostering Team Manager South
6.	<b>Fostering Statement of Purpose 2023-2024</b>	Emily McAllister, Fostering Team Manager Nicola Brangam, Fostering Team Manager South

<b>14 NOVEMBER 2024</b>		
	<b>Item</b>	<b>Contributor</b>
1.	<b>Independent Reviewing Service Update Report 1 April 2024 - 30 September 2024</b>	Carolyn Knight, Head of Service - Quality and Standards and Principal Social Worker
2.	<b>Regulation 44 Independent Visitors Report</b>	Carolyn Knight, Head of Service - Quality and Standards and Principal Social Worker
3.	<b>Fostering Quarterly Performance Report Quarter 2</b>	Deborah Crawford, Head of Service - Fostering and Adoption
4.	<b>Private Fostering Annual Report and Statement of Purpose</b>	Deborah Crawford, Head of Service - Fostering and Adoption
5.	<b>Annual Report of the Regional Adoption Agency</b>	John Harris, Head of Regional Adoption Agency
6.	<b>Voices for Choices (V4C) Update Report</b>	Ben Lilley, Practice Supervisor - Children's Services (Quality and Standards)

### 3. Items to be programmed

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Est Date</b>
School attendance	TBC, 2023
Prevalence of emotional health and our response	TBC, 2023
CAMHS Annual Report (Caroline Sanders LPFT)	Jan/Mar 2024

### 4. Conclusion

Members of the Panel are invited to review and comment on the work programme and highlight any additional activity which could be included for consideration in the work programme.

## **5. Consultation**

### **a) Risks and Impact Analysis**

N/A

## **6. 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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