



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

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| Report to: | <b>Corporate Parenting Panel</b>                |
| Date:      | <b>18 January 2024</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**

Current Items

For reference, the Panel's items for this meeting are set out below: -

| <b>18 JANUARY 2024</b> |  |  |
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|                        | <b>Item</b>  | <b>Contributor</b>   |
| <b>1.</b>              | <b>Children in Care Performance Measures Quarter 2</b>     | Tara Jones, Assistant Director – Children’s Safeguarding                   |
| <b>2.</b>              | <b>Children in Care Joint Annual Health Report 2022/23</b> | Rachel Freeman, Head of Service - Children in Care and Residential Estates |

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| Item  | Contributor   |
|   | Rebecca Pinder, Head of Safeguarding Children, NHS Lincolnshire ICB |
| 3. <b>Lincolnshire Leaving Care Service - Six Monthly Update Report</b> | Lisa Adams, Service Manager, Barnardo's                             |

### Planned Items

The Panel's planned items are listed below:

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

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

| 25 JULY 2024  |  |
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| Item  | Contributor  |
| 1. <b>Election of the Chairman</b>                        | Democratic Services Officer                              |
| 2. <b>Election of the Vice Chairman</b>                   | Democratic Services Officer                              |
| 3. <b>Children in Care Performance Measures Quarter 4</b> | Tara Jones, Assistant Director – Children's Safeguarding |

| <b>25 JULY 2024</b>   |   |
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| <b>Item</b>   | <b>Contributor</b>  |
| <b>4. Fostering Quarterly Performance Report - Quarter 4</b>                  | Deborah Crawford, Head of Service - Fostering and Adoption                          |
| <b>5. Lincolnshire Leaving Care - Six Monthly Update Report by Barnardo's</b> | Lisa Adams, Service Manager, Barnardo's   |
| <b>6. Independent Reviewing Service Annual Report</b>                         | Carolyn Knight, Head of Service - Quality and Standards and Principal Social Worker |
| <b>7. Regulation 44 Independent Visitors Annual Report</b>                    | Carolyn Knight, Head of Service - Quality and Standards and Principal Social Worker |

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

| <b>14 NOVEMBER 2024</b>  |   |
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| <b>Item</b>  | <b>Contributor</b>  |
| <b>1. Independent Reviewing Service Update Report 1 April 2024 - 30 September 2024</b> | Carolyn Knight, Head of Service - Quality and Standards and Principal Social Worker |
| <b>2. Regulation 44 Independent Visitors Report</b>                                    | Carolyn Knight, Head of Service - Quality and Standards and Principal Social Worker |
| <b>3. Fostering Quarterly Performance Report Quarter 2</b>                             | Deborah Crawford, Head of Service - Fostering and Adoption                          |

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| 4. Private Fostering Annual Report and Statement of Purpose | Deborah Crawford, Head of Service - Fostering and Adoption                    |
| 5. Annual Report of the Regional Adoption Agency            | John Harris, Head of Regional Adoption Agency                                 |
| 6. Voices for Choices (V4C) Update Report                   | Ben Lilley, Practice Supervisor - Children's Services (Quality and Standards) |

## 2. Items to be programmed

| Report Title                                    | Est Date |
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| School attendance                               | TBC 2024 |
| Prevalence of emotional health and our response | TBC 2024 |
| CAMHS Annual Report (Caroline Sanders LPFT)     | TBC 2024 |

## 3. 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.

## 4. Consultation

### a) Risks and Impact Analysis

N/A

## 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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