

Fostering and Adoption Annual Report April 2017 - March 2018

Executive Summary:

The Executive side of the Local Authority is required to receive;

- Written reports on the management outcomes and financial state of the Adoption Agency every six months.
- Monitor the management and outcomes of the services in order to satisfy themselves that the agency is effective and is achieving good outcomes for Children, Young People and or service users.
- Satisfy themselves that the agency is complying with the conditions of registration.
- This is replicate for the Fostering Service.

Reason for bringing to the Corporate Parenting Board:

The reasons for the item being submitted to Corporate Parenting Board to provide oversight and monitoring of activity in both adoption d and fostering practice.

Recommendations:

That:

1. Corporate parenting board notes active and progress.

Background papers:

Fostering and Adoption Service Annual reports April 2017 – March 2018

Resource and legal considerations:

None

Council Corporate Plan Priorities:

- Children have the best possible start and are safe from harm, happy, healthy and learning well.
- People have increased independence, improved health and can positively contribute to their communities.
- Communities are prospering and resilient with all housing needs met in safe and healthy places that build a strong sense of belonging and cohesion

Citizen impact:

The services and the improvements play a key role in the quality of life and outcomes for the children, young people and families of Walsall The Council and its partners as Corporate Parents make critical contributions to improve outcomes.

Environmental impact:

None

Performance management:

There a range of performance measures and quality assurance audits are monitored and reviewed monthly by the Children's Performance Board, chaired by the Director of Children's Services.

Reducing inequalities:


The provision of effective fostering and adoption services reduces inequalities faced by children and young people by affording them secure and safe family .

Consultation:

None

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