

# minutes



Meeting CORPORATE PARENTING SUB-COMMITTEE

Date Monday, 11 March 2013 (commencing at 2.00 pm)

## Membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

## COUNCILLORS

Allen Clarke (Chair)

	John Allin		Mel Shepherd
	Ged Clarke	A	Stella Smedley MBE JP
A	Bob Cross	A	Lynn Sykes
	Philip Owen	A	Brian Wombwell

## Officers in attendance

Rachel Coombs	-	Group Manager, Children, Families and Cultural Services Department
Christine Marson	-	Assistant Democratic Services Officer, Policy, Planning & Corporate Services Department

## MINUTES

### RESOLVED 2013/007

That the minutes of the last meeting held on 14 January 2013 having been circulated were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

## APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bob Cross (medical), Lynn Sykes (other) and Stella Smedley (medical).

## DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

None.

## SPRING TERM REPORT FOR THE VIRTUAL SCHOOL FOR LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

Rachel Coombs introduced the Spring term report for the Virtual School in the absence of Sue Denholm, the co-ordinator of the Virtual School. She explained that the Achievement event scheduled to take place in July was to celebrate

achievements gained by Looked After Children. She reported that between 110-120 young people and their carers had attended the previous year and it was a great success.

Rachel Coombs was asked about the Pupil Premium. She stated that 60 Looked After Children received the Pupil Premium whilst living outside the Nottinghamshire area, mostly in surrounding Local Authorities.

#### **RESOLVED 2013/008**

- (1) That the Sub-Committee noted the update on the virtual school for the Spring term 2013.
- (2) That the Co-ordinator of the Virtual School was asked to bring a report to a future meeting giving examples of benefits and outcomes of how the Pupil Premium is used.

#### **PROGRESS ON THE LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN STRATEGY**

Rachel Coombs was reported that there was significant progress on the action plan for the Looked After Children Strategy with all actions achieved on time or early.

#### **RESOLVED 2013/009**

That the Sub-Committee noted the update on the action plan for the Looked After Children Strategy.

#### **FOSTER CARERS ITEMS**

There were no foster carers present. Rachel Coombs reported that CAMHS would be attending a future meeting to update the Sub-Committee on any items which had been raised by the foster carers at the last meeting.

It was felt that it would be appropriate to have nominated substitutes for foster carers so that one could be present at each meeting as their input is invaluable in informing the Sub-Committee of any problems. It was suggested that when the foster carers have raised issues at the Sub-Committee, then a written report should be submitted to a future meeting to update on the issues.

The meeting closed at 2.17 pm

#### **CHAIR**