

Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee

Monday, 09 December 2013 at 14:00

County Hall, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham NG2 7QP

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(1) Councillors are advised to contact their Research Officer for details of any Group Meetings which are planned for this meeting.

(2) Members of the public wishing to inspect "Background Papers" referred to in the reports on the agenda or Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act should contact:-

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(4) Members are reminded that Committee and Sub-Committee papers, with the exception of those which contain Exempt or Confidential Information, may be recycled.

minutes



Meeting CORPORATE PARENTING SUB-COMMITTEE

Date Monday, 16 September 2013 (commencing at 2.00 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Liz Plant (Chair)

John Allin
Alan Bell
Boyd Elliott
Kate Foale

Philip Owen
Sue Saddington
John Wilkinson
Jacky Williams

Officers in attendance

- Pom Bhogal - Broxtowe Locality Manager, Young People's Service
- Rachel Coombs - Group Manager, Children, Families and Cultural Services Department
- Helen Daft - Interim Service Manager, CAMHS/Mainstream Residential Services
- Sue Hollingworth-Shaw - Co-ordinator, Young People Looked After Youth Work Team
- Christine Marson - Assistant Democratic Services Officer, Policy, Planning & Corporate Services Department
- Izzy Martin - Service Manager, Independent Chair Service
- Shelagh Mitchell - Service Manager, Adoption

Foster Carers

Dawn Clements
Aleks Jackowska

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

Councillor John Wilkinson replaced Councillor Colleen Harwood for this meeting only.

MINUTES

RESOLVED 2013/018

That the minutes of the last meeting held on 24 June 2013 having been circulated were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

None.

LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN STRATEGY UPDATE

Rachel Coombs, Group Manager, Access to Resources updated the Sub-Committee on the progress of the action plan for the Looked After Children Strategy and outlined key actions in priority areas which had been completed. She reported that a revised copy of The Pledge would be available in the near future and would be circulated to all members when published.

RESOLVED 2013/019

That the update on the progress of the action plan for the Looked After Children Strategy be noted.

ADOPTION SERVICE ANNUAL REPORT

Shelagh Mitchell, Service Manager, Adoption presented the report giving a review of activity in the adoption service in 2012. She reported on the statistics in the report relating to Adoption and stated that recruitment of adopters had increased by almost 50% in 2012-13.

RESOLVED 2013/020

That the review of activity in the Adoption Service in 2012 be noted.

END OF YEAR REPORT FOR THE INDEPENDENT REVIEWING OFFICER SERVICE

Izzy Martin, Service Manager, Independent Chair Service updated the Sub-Committee with details of the Independent Reviewing Officer Service from April 2012 to March 2013. She highlighted areas of work which the service had prioritised during the past year and key areas for further development for 2013-14.

RESOLVED 2013/021

That the activities of the Independent Reviewing Officer Service from April 2012 to March 2013 be noted.

CHILDREN'S HOMES IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

Helen Daft, Interim Service Manager, CAMHS/Mainstream Residential Services updated Members on Nottinghamshire's Children's Homes and their Ofsted inspection ratings. She reported that all of the six homes had been judged as providing a high standard of safeguarding and safe care.

RESOLVED 2013/022

- (1) That the update on Nottinghamshire's Children's Homes and their Ofsted inspection ratings be noted.
- (2) That Rachel Coombs bring a report to the next meeting regarding Commissioning of places and responsibility for children from other local authorities in private children's homes in Nottinghamshire.

PROVISION, ACHIEVEMENTS AND PROGRESS OF THE CHILDREN IN CARE COUNCIL AND PARTICIPATION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE LOOKED AFTER 2012/13

Sue Hollingworth-Shaw, Co-ordinator, Young People Looked After Youth Work Team gave an overview of the work of the Young People Looked After team. She stated that the Children in Care Council ensured that young people in care were represented at all levels in the Nottinghamshire system of Youth Participation.

RESOLVED 2013/023

That the overview of the work of the Young People Looked After team be noted.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2013/024

That the committee's work programme be noted, and consideration be given to any changes which the committee wishes to make.

FOSTER CARERS ITEMS

Dawn Clements, Foster Carer informed the Sub-Committee that there were delays in the cases of Looked After Children being booked into Fostering Panels for permanent fostering decisions.

The meeting closed at 3.00 pm

CHAIRMAN

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Agenda Item: 4

**REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, EDUCATION STANDARDS AND
INCLUSION**

**AUTUMN TERM REPORT FOR THE VIRTUAL SCHOOL FOR LOOKED
AFTER CHILDREN**

Purpose of the Report

1. To update the Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee on the virtual school for the Autumn term 2013.

Information and Advice

Virtual School Senior Leadership Team and Virtual School Improvement Plan

2. The senior leadership team (SLT) met on 23 September 2013 and discussed the virtual school improvement plan and self-evaluation form (SEF) for 2013/14. Suggestions were made for improvements to the documents and members of the SLT agreed to send examples of front sheets to improve the review process of both documents.
3. A further meeting has been arranged for 5 December 2013.

Virtual School Staff

4. The two Looked After Children Achievement Officers continue to support schools, social workers, carers and the wider network for looked after children. To date the number of looked after children (LAC) currently receiving support from the virtual school is 316. The number of statutory school aged young people at the time of writing is 692 (out of a total of 900 looked after children), some of whom are educated out of county.
5. Both officers continue to undertake training on the needs of looked after children and they have attended the designated teacher training running this Autumn term.
6. The virtual school has secured an extra temporary member of staff to join the team. This post is a secondment for 12 weeks from 4 November 2013.

Termly Designated Teacher Training

7. Five workshops have been delivered over the Autumn term 2013 and will be repeated in the Spring and Summer terms. These workshops are being delivered by Kate Cairns and her associates and have covered the following subjects: Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD), behaviour and the physical environment, understanding trauma, making effective use of the pupil premium and self-harming behaviours. All these workshops have been evaluated very well by delegates and whilst there has been a small take up this term (94 delegates across the five workshops) the numbers for the Spring and Summer terms are much improved (45-50 delegates in each workshop each term).

Designated Teacher Memos

8. These continue to be sent out regularly, minimally half termly. Designated teachers continue to advise the virtual school that they find these updates very useful.

School Links

9. Individual requests continue to be received for training from the virtual school on the needs of looked after children cross phase. The virtual school offers bespoke training sessions to schools and FE colleges as a result.

East Midlands Network

10. The East Midlands Network meeting of virtual schools was held in Derby city on 14 November 2013.
11. The co-ordinator has been elected by the East Midlands Network to serve on the National Steering Group for Virtual School Heads and the first meeting of this group was held on 17 October 2013. This was a very useful meeting with much to share with colleagues in the East Midlands regional group. The national conference for virtual school heads will be held at Oxford University on 27 March 2014 and the co-ordinator will be attending.

Social Care Links

12. The co-ordinator of the virtual school and admissions colleagues attended a team meeting in the Spring Term. A follow-up meeting with social care colleagues was held in June 2013 and provided a useful input on the admissions processes for looked after children. Training will be provided on the new personal education plan (PEP) in the New Year for looked after team social workers.
13. The LAC Achievement Officers will also use the looked after social work team's building as a base to work from in order to provide regular ongoing support to social workers.

Frontier

14. The Fronter room is still available to schools. The Support to Schools Service is currently undertaking a review of how effective this is as schools are not accessing it as regularly as other on line resources. The virtual school will be reviewing whether Fronter is the most effective platform for communication in light of this review.
15. The virtual school co-ordinator also works alongside the adoption service to support a Fronter room for adopters and there is also a Fronter room which supports foster carers. These services are not undertaking a review of the Fronter system, therefore the virtual school will continue to be involved in this area.

Floor Target Schools

16. The virtual school monitors all children in schools below floor targets. Education improvement advisors will discuss looked after children's progress, attendance, behaviour and any support needs in the primary schools they are supporting.

Data

17. The SIMS system is now populated with looked after children and young people. Some functions such as contextual information can be used. The Local Authority is committed to have a fully functional system by January 2014.
18. Almost 100% of primary, secondary and special schools have now returned progress data for looked after children attending their schools in 2012/13. Any outstanding data will be requested again (5 schools).

LAC Strategy Performance Measures – provisional outcomes for 2013

19. Provisional outcomes for 2013 are as follows:
 - 12.7% of looked after children in Nottinghamshire schools attained 5 A*-C including English and mathematics in 2013.
 - 66.7% attained 5+ A*-G including English and mathematics.
 - 46% of all looked after children in Nottinghamshire schools attained a grade C or above in at least three subjects but not in English or mathematics.
 - 26% of the looked after children attending Nottinghamshire schools made expected (3 levels) progress in English and 21% made expected progress in mathematics
 - At the end of key stage 2 66.7% of all LAC in Nottinghamshire schools achieved level 4 or above in reading.

- 38.9% of all LAC in Nottinghamshire schools achieved level 4 or above in writing.
 - 55.6% of all LAC in Nottinghamshire schools achieved level 4 or above in mathematics.
 - 33.3% of all LAC in Nottinghamshire schools achieved level 4 or above in reading, writing and mathematics.
20. There can be no direct comparison with previous years' outcomes as reading was not measured separately.
 21. However this outcomes data for 2013 relates only to looked after children attending Nottinghamshire schools and does not include Nottinghamshire looked after children attending out of county schools. It also includes looked after children from other counties attending Nottinghamshire schools.
 22. National data on all Nottinghamshire looked after children in and out of county will be available in January 2014.

Achievement Event

23. The achievement event was held in July 2013. This was attended by Councillor Peck, Councillor Foale and Councillor Plant. It was well attended by looked after children, their carers and families and everybody had a good day. An evaluation of this event will be undertaken during October half term with young people to decide on next year's date and style of event.

Pupil Premium

24. The 2013/14 grant will be forwarded to schools before Christmas. The new style PEP has a section asking for use and impact of the pupil premium. Schools have been attending workshops on pupil premium through the head teacher briefings last term and the designated teacher training this academic year. This is to ensure that all schools have the most up to date information on the Sutton Trust research which highlights best practice for using the pupil premium, Ofsted tools and trauma related practice to inform use of pupil premium for maximum impact.

Projects

25. The 2013/14 multi-modality project is now beginning. This project has been furthered by the use of tablet technology and will have a larger cohort than previous years.
26. The virtual school is pleased to report that following on from the music project supported by the virtual school last academic year, County Youth Arts is running the same model this academic year at the Old Library in Mansfield. 4/5 looked after pupils are attending these projects as part of their school curriculum.

Personal Education Plan

27. The new paperwork is now with the graphics department of the local authority. The Children in Care Council will be reviewing the young people's documents over the next meetings up until Christmas and it is anticipated that the new format will be distributed in January 2014.

Good News

28. Book tokens have been sent out once again to children and young people for a variety of successes including achievement, engagement and sporting achievements.
29. A young person has won first prize in a national Christmas card competition and has been acknowledged for his achievement.
30. One secondary school has also continued to have a group of looked after children meet together regularly for support and social time. The member of staff supporting this has spoken to primary and secondary heads briefings about the group and a number of schools showed interest in this type of support for looked after children.

Other Options Considered

31. This report is for information only.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

32. This report is for information only.

Statutory and Policy Implications

33. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the update on the virtual school for the Autumn term 2013 be noted.

John Slater

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Constitutional Comments

34. As this report is for noting only, no Constitutional Comments are required.

Financial Comments (KLA 12/11/13)

35. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

None.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All.
C0317

9 December 2013

Agenda Item: 5

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE

**COMMISSIONING OF PLACEMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR
CHILDREN FROM OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN CHILDREN'S HOMES IN
NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**

Purpose of the Report

1. To give a brief overview of the process of commissioning children's placements and the responsibilities of the Local Authority towards children from other local authorities placed in Nottinghamshire Children's Homes and seek approval to review the arrangements annually.

Information and Advice

2. Children's placements are commissioned via two contracts: Fostering Placements are commissioned via the East Midlands Consortium agreement and Residential Placements are commissioned via the Nottinghamshire Approved Provider List. Nottinghamshire's current 894 Looked After Children are placed as follows:

Placement	No of LAC	% of total
Nottinghamshire	521	58.3%
Placed for adoption	92	10.3%
Nottingham City	64	7.2%
Derbyshire	83	9.3%
Lincolnshire	44	4.9%
Rotherham	18	2.0%
Doncaster	17	1.9%
Leicestershire	9	1.0%
Staffordshire	5	0.6%
Gloucester	5	0.6%
Chiltern	3	0.3%
Coventry	3	0.3%
Cumbria	3	0.3%
Rugby	3	0.3%
Sheffield	3	0.3%
Barnsley	2	0.2%

Northamptonshire	2	0.2%
Wetherby	2	0.2%
Birmingham	1	0.1%
Corby	1	0.1%
Harrogate	1	0.1%
Hounslow	1	0.1%
Hull	1	0.1%
Hyde	1	0.1%
Lichfield	1	0.1%
Liverpool	1	0.1%
Luton	1	0.1%
Nuneaton	1	0.1%
Rutland	1	0.1%
Selby	1	0.1%
Shrewsbury	1	0.1%
Southwark	1	0.1%
Wakefield	1	0.1%
Total	894	

Type of Placement:

Internal foster Care	320
IFA	269
Fostering Parents or family	90
Adoption	92
Internal Residential	16
External Residential	64
Semi-independent	37
Secure Remand	5
Secure Welfare	1
Total	894

3. The majority of children and young people are resident in Nottinghamshire, with the highest proportion of out of county placements being made in Nottingham City, Derbyshire and then in neighbouring East Midlands Authorities. Children and young people are placed in more remote locations where they have specialist needs which cannot be met within the County (e.g. the 3 young people placed in Cumbria).
4. Residential Placements are monitored in four ways. Firstly, by the child or young person's social worker who places the child and young person and makes statutory visits to ensure their safety; secondly, by Ofsted who are responsible for registering providers; thirdly, via Regulation 33 visits which are arranged by organisations as internal monitoring provision; and finally by Local Authority monitoring visits undertaken by the Placements and Commissioning Team who visit residential units to ensure that services for young people are being delivered as commissioned. In addition to this the East Midlands

Consortium also undertakes monitoring visits and shares their feedback with us.

5. Nottinghamshire County Council has a central notifications e-mail address managed by the Placements Team which manages information regarding placement of young people from other authorities into Nottinghamshire, records this information on Framework and alerts contacts in health and education.
6. At present Nottinghamshire has no responsibility to monitor the welfare of children and young people placed within the County in homes managed by external providers. It appears that this is likely to change as the Government reviews this legislation. Looked After Children from other authorities will be referred into the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) or Missing Children systems in the same way as any other young person living in the County but the responsibility for their care remains with the placing authority.

Other Options Considered

7. The placements of children and young people outside of the Local Authority's provision remains under constant review with the Local Authority working towards recruiting more internal foster carers and endeavouring to increase local provision.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

8. To ensure that these arrangements are reviewed on an annual basis.

Statutory and Policy Implications

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Implications for Service Users

10. The Local Authority remains committed to placing children and young people as far as is possible within the County and to ensuring that all young people placed externally are monitored and visited in accordance with legislation and guidance.

Financial Implications

11. The Local Authority will continue to remain in a position where the majority of children and young people are placed with internal foster carers as this is both best social work practice and economic practice.

Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults Implications

12. Children and young people's safety remains the responsibility of their allocated social worker with additional responsibility being taken by Ofsted in respect of the regulation and monitoring of children's homes and by the organisations which manage the homes.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That:

- 1) to note the report and that Nottinghamshire County Council continues to place children and young people within the County of Nottinghamshire as far as is possible
- 2) the arrangements for commissioning children's placements are reviewed annually.

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Constitutional Comments (SLB 14/11/13)

13. Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report.

Financial Comments (KLA 14/11/13)

14. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

None.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All.

C0325

9 December 2013

Agenda Item: 6**REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE
FOSTERING SERVICE: BUSINESS ACTIVITY REPORT****Purpose of the Report**

1. This report provides an overview of the business activity currently being undertaken within the fostering service.

Information and Advice**Service Demand**

2. There are 894 looked after children in Nottinghamshire, of which 715 are in a foster care placement. Most (61%) are cared for by Nottinghamshire County Council's fostering families, with the other 39% placed with the independent fostering sector.
3. The average cost of a placement with a Nottinghamshire County Council carer is £447, compared with £802 for an independent sector placement. Given the budget pressures within the authority, the Improvement Programme identified the fostering service as an area in which financial savings could be found by investing in additional marketing and recruitment activity and implementing changed ways of working. An improvement plan is in place and positive indicators of change and growth are being evidenced.

Placement activity

4. Over the last nine months, the number of children in care has stabilised at around 900, 56 fewer than were forecast. This is primarily due to more children exiting the care system by returning to their birth families, being cared for by an extended family member through a Special Guardianship Order/ Residence Order, or becoming adopted.
5. Over this period there has been a 9% increase in the number of children placed with internal foster carers (from 402 to 439). This increase has led to a reduction in the use of higher cost external fostering and residential placements. This indicates that good progress is being made in reducing the authority's placement costs.

Recruitment of new foster carers

6. The fostering service has been set the target of recruiting a net increase of 15 new foster households and 10 additional fee paid foster carers each year to 2017. If achieved, this would provide a minimum of 50 additional internal foster placements per year. The fostering service has a dedicated and committed workforce who, together with the foster carer community, is intent on achieving significant growth. Local foster homes for local children has, and will continue to be, a key motivating factor in the achievement of the targets which have been set.
7. To support the recruitment of more foster carers, an additional five social work posts have been invested in the fostering service. Together with a changed foster carer assessment process, as introduced by the Government in July 2013, the objective is to progress foster carer applications within six months. Five additional social workers came into post in July and November to meet the increased demand for foster carer assessments and to implement a quicker assessment process from January 2014.
8. There are encouraging signs of growth in recruitment activity during this financial year:
 - there has been an 8% increase in the number of enquiries to foster
 - this has led to a 4.5% increase in the number of visits being requested from people interested in becoming a foster carer
 - 12 new foster households have been approved since April 2013 and a further 16 new foster households are expected to be approved by December 2013.
9. More foster carers are forecast to be recruited than last year due to changed ways of working and new and innovative approaches to marketing activity. This has included a street lamp banner and bus stop campaign across Nottinghamshire, inviting people to consider becoming a foster carer/adoptive parent; a refreshed fostering website (approximately 50% of all enquiries come through the website and this is growing); a partnership with the Customer Service Centre to extend the hours in which someone can make an enquiry to foster; and more information being available for carers wishing to transfer from independent fostering agencies
10. The number of relative/child specific (family and friends) assessments has also increased by 49% compared to the same period in the previous year. As a result, 72 relative/child specific placements were made to the end of September compared to 49 in 2012-13.

Retention of existing foster carers

11. The retention of foster carers is also a key area of activity for the fostering service. The fostering service has 290 approved foster households for children

who are not known to the foster carer at the time of placement and 45 foster households for disabled children in need of the short break service.

12. The fostering service's performance in retaining its foster carers is better than the average performance of other local authorities across England, and this is attributed to the good levels of support, learning and development that are provided. There is a strong culture of foster carer engagement and participation in service improvements. Many of the service improvements (claiming for travel expenses and identity cards are two examples) have been foster carer led initiatives. It is an inevitable consequence, for a service which retains its foster carers for 30 or 40 years post approval, that it also loses its foster carers to retirement. In the period April to October 2013, foster carer approval has been terminated for 16 foster households.

Other Options Considered

13. This report is for noting only.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

14. This report is for noting only.

Statutory and Policy Implications

15. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the overview of the business activity currently being undertaken within the fostering service be noted.

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Constitutional Comments

16. As this report is for noting only, no Constitutional Comments are required.

Financial Comments (KLA 13/11/13)

17. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

None.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All.
C0320

9 December 2013

Agenda Item: 7

**REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, POLICY, PLANNING AND
CORPORATE SERVICES**

WORK PROGRAMME

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the Committee's work programme for 2013/14.

Information and Advice

2. The County Council requires each committee to maintain a work programme. The work programme will assist the management of the committee's agenda, the scheduling of the committee's business and forward planning. The work programme will be updated and reviewed at each pre-agenda meeting and committee meeting. Any member of the committee is able to suggest items for possible inclusion.
3. The attached work programme has been drafted in consultation with the Chairman and includes items which can be anticipated at the present time. Other items will be added to the programme as they are identified.
4. As part of the transparency introduced by the new committee arrangements, committees are expected to review day to day operational decisions made by officers using their delegated powers. It is anticipated that the committee will wish to commission periodic reports on such decisions. The committee is therefore requested to identify activities on which it would like to receive reports for inclusion in the work programme.

Other Options Considered

5. None.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

6. To assist the committee in preparing its work programme.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the committee's work programme be noted, and consideration be given to any changes which the committee wishes to make.

Jayne Francis-Ward
Corporate Director, Policy, Planning and Corporate Services

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Constitutional Comments (SLB)

8. The Committee has authority to consider the matters set out in this report by virtue of its terms of reference.

Financial Comments (PS)

9. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All

CORPORATE PARENTING SUB-COMMITTEE - WORK PROGRAMME 2013-14

<u>Report Title</u>	<u>Brief summary of agenda item</u>	<u>Lead Officer</u>	<u>Report Author</u>
17 March 2014			
Spring Term report for the Virtual School for Looked After Children		Steve Edwards	Sue Denholm
End of year report for the Independent Reviewing Officer service 2012-13	Annual report	Steve Edwards	Pam Rosseter
Progress on the Looked After Children Strategy	Six monthly report	Steve Edwards	Rachel Coombs
Outcomes for care leavers		Steve Edwards	Rachel Coombs
Adoption Service	Six monthly report	Steve Edwards	Shelagh Mitchell
Independent Advocacy Service		Steve Edwards	Rachel Coombs
Work Programme		Steve Edwards	
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Fostering Service annual report		Steve Edwards	Jayne Austin
Work Programme		Steve Edwards	
To be placed			
Adoption Service annual report		Steve Edwards	Shelagh Mitchell

