

THE CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD MINUTES
4 September 2012

Present: John-Paul Heseltine – Young Person (Chair)
 Chris Pratt – Director, CYPS
 Councillor Andrew Bosmans – Overview and Scrutiny
 Arif Dar – Head of Service, Children In Care
 Christine Hargreaves – Head of Virtual School
 Debbie Burton - Active Involvement Coordinator/Young People’s
 Training Coordinator
 Suzannah Cookson – Designated Nurse for Safeguarding &
 LAC
 Nicola Langton – Foster Carer
 Janet Roberts – Foster Carer
 Christopher Hickson - Foster Carer
 Janice Jinks – Foster Carer
 Anna Reddish – Carer
 Deborah Mitchell – Young Person
 Raza Zade – Young Person
 Savanagh Crooks – Young Person
 Jamie Hartshorne – Young Person
 Daniel Lee – Young Person
 Olivia Wakefield – Young Person
 Kate Utley – Notetaker

Apologies: Councillor Eric Tatton Kelly – Cabinet Member for CYPS
 Vicki Lawson – Assistant Director, CYPS
 Pat Higgs – Assistant Director, Adults and Communities
 Gary Wells – Assistant Director, Housing
 Mary Shepherd – Associate Director of Quality Patient Safety
 Theresa Siverns – Head Teacher, Mallard Primary School
 Pippa Dodghson – Head Teacher, Hall Cross Secondary School
 Paul Cattell – Adopter

Introductions and apologies were completed. The minutes of 26 June 2012 were agreed.

	Action	Completed
<u>Matters arising from the previous minutes</u>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Has an adopter been sought to replace Liz Sarvent? Maria Rydel will be attending future CPB meetings; she is an adoptive parent and has been a foster carer.</i> 		Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>A young person with a disability should be a board member to represent children and young people with disabilities. Karen Mosgrove needs to observe a meeting to assess the needs of the young person, and possibly to give training to board members on how they can support the</i> 	Kate	Ongoing

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<p>young person at the meeting. All members agreed Karen should observe a meeting and should be invited to 2 October 2012 meeting.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Social workers should be involved with the CPB.</i> A brief summary of who the CPB is and what it does, and how it links to Children In Care Council and Children's Trust Board, should be presented to the managers forum to enable managers to have an understanding of the CPB. Subsequent to this social workers may be able to attend the meeting. 	?	Ongoing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A link should be formed with the Children's Trust Board, and members from that board should attend the CPB and vice versa.</i> Olivia Wakefield from the Youth Council is attending the CPB tonight and John-Paul Heseltine a Youth Council meeting. A Children's Trust Board meeting has not been held since the last CPB so this link has not yet been formed. Chris Hickson asked if he could attend the Children's Trust Board. 	Olivia to seek approval from Children's Trust Board for Chris Hickson to attend	Ongoing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Changes in Foster Carers' Allowances.</i> A young person or their ideas should be presented to the foster carers' representative meeting which Tim Clayton attends. 	Foster carers' representatives	Ongoing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Young people would like a £10000 budget to action their proposals – young people to complete an action plan.</i> Chris Pratt informed that the £10000 budget has been agreed, but the action plan must be completed before the funding can be released. Christine informed that it was discussed at the last CIC Council but they ran out of time to complete a plan. 	Children In care Council	Ongoing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>One off event to be held to ask children and young people about their ideas for the website/facebook page.</i> The CIC Council are currently working on this. Debbie informed that events are going to be organised so that children and young people can attend and complete various questionnaires at these events rather than them receiving numerous questionnaires throughout the year. All the young people agreed with this proposal. 	Debbie Burton	Ongoing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A training package to be designed for CPB members, which explains what the Children In Care Council does.</i> Proposal – a 10-15 minute presentation to be designed which will be distributed across all mediums to inform people about the CIC Council and CPB. NB This will not start until the new name of the CIC Council has 	Debbie to start planning this for 2 October CPB meeting.	Ongoing

been confirmed, but preparatory work can start.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>CIC Council presentation should be distributed to as many people as possible.</i> Christine said she had emailed it to the IROs, Tim Clayton, Robert Snape and Winston Davidson. 	Christine to distribute to more people	Ongoing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>CIC Council to present the 'Pledge' at next CPB meeting.</i> Item to be put on next month's agenda 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Young people being trained on how to complete inspections.</i> Debbie informed this is ongoing and Chris Pratt and Mil Vasic are completing work on this. 		Ongoing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Proposal from housing.</i> Item deferred to next meeting 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Increased communication about CIC Council and CPB.</i> Chris Hickson this is on the foster carers' representatives agenda, and it has also been passed on to Tim Clayton. 	Foster carers' representatives	Ongoing

Update from CIC Council

It has been agreed that the role of the chair will rotate around the council and each person will be chair for 3 meetings. A new name is currently being decided on for the CIC Council and a meeting has been arranged with a designer to discuss their ideas about the logo and design. It has been suggested that an affiliation is made between the CIC Council and the Youth Council. **Action** – Olivia to raise this at the next meeting to seek permission for this. The website idea is still being discussed and it may be that there is a website and a facebook page.

Progress on the Housing Action Plan – update

Item deferred to next meeting.

Requests from Service Managers to the CPB

It was decided that a proposal must be made to the CPB for an item to be considered. The Board will then decide if they wish for the item to be put on next month's agenda.

Arif explained his proposal is with regards to education, employment and training opportunities (EETs) and he wanted Mark Trinder, team manager for leaving care service to discuss this with the CPB. Debbie proposed that a workshop type activity is held at next meeting and that more young people attend the meeting. **Action** – Arif to contact Mark Trinder to ensure more young people attend the next meeting so the workshop activity works effectively.

Chris Hickson explained it would be useful for there to be information in the foster carers' handbook with regards to when children finish school and what their options are. Chris Hargreaves explained foster carers with children that

are in their final year of school receive all the necessary information they need.

Action Planning for the year

It was proposed that the CPB should only concentrate on 2 or 3 goals so that they can be achieved. It was decided that these should be agreed at November's meeting, and that by Christmas the Board will be clear on what they are trying to deliver.

Chris Hargreaves informed that a link is being created between the Council and St Ledger homes with regards to work experience for young people. She explained a pilot scheme is being set up and a model being created demonstrating what the young people can offer St Ledger homes and vice versa. If the pilot scheme is successful it is hoped it will be shared with other departments in the council.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 2 October 2012. Future meetings are scheduled for Tuesday 6 November 2012 and Tuesday 4 December 2012.