THE CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD MINUTES 2nd October 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
Suzannah Cookson – Designated Nurse for Safeguarding &
LAC
Theresa Siverns – Head Teacher, Mallard Primary School
Pat Higgs – Assistant Director, Adults and Communities
Karen Mosgrove – Service Manager
Ruth Winter - Strategic Housing
Raza Zade – Young Person
Daniel Lee – Young Person
Amanda Turner – CIC Education Service – Minute Taker

Apologies: Councillor Eric Tatton Kelly – Cabinet Member for CYPS Vicki Lawson – Assistant Director, CYPS Mary Shepherd – Associate Director of Quality Patient Safety Pippa Dodgson – Head Teacher, Hall Cross Secondary School Paul Cattell – Adopter Nicola Langton – Foster Carer Christopher Hickson – Foster Carer Janet Roberts – Foster Carer

Introductions and apologies were completed. The minutes of 4th September 2012 were agreed. JP - Welcomed all and asked that each service sends a representative to future meetings if they themselves cannot attend.

	Action	Completed		
Matters arising from the previous minutes				
 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 young person at the meeting. All members agreed Karen should observe a meeting and should be invited to 2 October 2012 meeting. 	JP – Thanked Karen for attending.	Yes		
 Social workers should be involved with the CPB. 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. 	A presentation will	Ongoing		

Subsequent to this social workers may be able	take place to all	
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 A link should be formed with the Children's Trust Board, and members from that board should attend the CPB and vice versa. 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. JP attended and has been asked to become a member. 	approval from Children's Trust Board for Chris Hickson to attend.	Ongoing
Changes in Foster Carers' Allowances. A young person or their ideas should be presented to the foster carers' representative meeting which Tim Clayton attends. Arif – to liaise with Tim Clayton		Ongoing
 Young people would like a £10000 budget to action their proposals – young people to complete an action plan. 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. The money already spent on refreshments, residential visits etc and the projected spend has been reviewed. Awaiting some final information on celebrating success events 	CIC Council	Ongoing
 One off event to be held to ask children and young people about their ideas for the website/facebook page. This was discussed at the last CIC Council meeting and a website was agreed rather than facebook. Corporate Comms suggest the costing will be between £200 - £4000. A business case needs to written. Communications is currently upgrading the Doncaster website and this could take up to 6months to complete. This is to be discussed further at the next CIC Council meeting. 	<i>Pat Higgs -</i> To contact Volunteer	Ongoing

	their project. Chris Pratt is to speak to Mil Vasic re- Doncaster Apps.	
 A training package to be designed for CPB members, which explains what the Children In Care Council does. 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 been confirmed, but preparatory work can start. 	Plan in place (Debbie) Waiting for training date.	Completed
CIC Council presentation should be distributed to as many people as possible. Christine said she had emailed it to the IROs, Tim Clayton, Robert Snape and Winston Davidson. Christine is sharing the information at the next BCIC meeting and directing this to schools.	Christine to distribute to more people	Ongoing
 CIC Council to present the 'Pledge' at next CPB meeting. Item to be put on next month's agenda. Workshop considering the comments from the CiC council and the Pledges of from other LA's, Redcar, East Sussex, Kent and Essex. Members were split into groups and these were compared to Doncaster's pledge, possible changes and improvements were discussed. 	To continue at the next meeting.	On going
 Young people being trained on how to complete inspections. This is in process 		Ongoing
 Proposal from housing. Item deferred to next meeting. Gary Wells had given a brief back ground on Doncaster's Housing and Arts project at previous meetings. Ruth updated the meeting – Brief summary of the project: In conjunction with DARTS, the aim is to set up training homes for young people from age 15yrs, to help prepare them for the transition to independent living such as cooking, gardening, cleaning etc. These will NOT be residential homes. Young people will attend on a daily basis. Darts are already working with a group of young people who may be interested from the Hub. Ruth would also like involvement from other young people and the Care Council at the workshops. 	Ruth	Ongoing

Ourseath, lealing at groupst, in the Delley area	ID and Ohnia to take	
Currently looking at property in the Balby area.	JP and Chris to take	
They have looked at various properties	this information to the	
including the building what used to be St	next CIC Council	
Wilfred's.	meeting.	
 Increased communication about CIC Council 	Foster carers'	Ongoing
and CPB. Chris Hickson this is on the foster	representatives	
carers' representatives' agenda, and it has also		
been passed on to Tim Clayton.	Arif to take back and	
	request update from	
	Tim.	
• Workshop on education, employment and	CYPS Education	
training opportunities for young people.	Service	
Winston Davidson 16+ Service introduced some young		
people to discuss and answer questions on their		
experiences.		
The main barriers discussed were:		
No or low formal qualifications		
Interview panel not 'seeing' past the paper		
application.		
Not all young people received help e.g. if not seen		
as having difficulties		
Poor behaviour can result in adults stereotyping		
them and their ability.		
Issues within school resulting low qualifications or		
attendance		
The outcomes of the group discussion on possible		
strategies were:		
Provide work experience		
Provide support when we are ready		
Organise better support for the interview process at		
apprenticeship and pre – apprenticeship level		
Review interview process		
Help young people identify career choices earlier so		
they can be guided and helped.		
Help within the community		
Ensure mentoring or advocate is available.		
Chris Pratt explained the work which has recently		
started to enable young people to access		
apprenticeships/ pre apprenticeships/ work experience		
within the council. This has been agreed at the highest		
level.		
It was suggested that a DVD of young people's view's		
and experiences could be produced and presented to		
the CPB. Christine would also share this at the		
Designated Teachers Conference to be held in January		
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