

City of London Corporation Committee Report

Committee(s): Safeguarding Sub-Committee	Dated: 14/11/2024
Subject: Corporate Parenting Annual Report 2023/24	Public report: For Information
This proposal: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• delivers Corporate Plan 2024-29 outcomes• provides statutory duties	Providing Excellent Services Children and Social Work Act 2017
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	No
If so, how much?	£
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	N/A
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Summary

The Corporate Parenting Annual Report updates Members on the City of London Corporation's (the City Corporation) role as a corporate parent, and the outcomes that have been achieved for the children in care during the period April 2023 to March 2024.

Recommendation

Members are asked to:

- Note the report.

Main Report

Background

1. The City Corporation is a corporate parent to the children in its care aged 0 to the eve of their 18th birthday who cannot safely remain with their family, or those for whom the City Corporation acts as a parent in the absence of family. Children in care (Children in Care) can include unaccompanied asylum-seeking children (UASC), children with disabilities and those who have suffered abuse and/or neglect. As such, Children in Care are one of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged groups in our community.
2. The City Corporation's legal and financial responsibility to the children and young people for whom it is a corporate parent extends into their lives as care leavers and as they transition to independence.
3. As a Corporate Parent the City Corporation is focussed on achieving positive outcomes for all its Children in Care and Care Leavers. The Annual Report focuses on this and what the Children and Young People have achieved.
4. The Annual Report is attached at Appendix 1.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

Strategic implications – This report represents a picture of the Children and Families Service which includes both statutory requirements and early intervention and prevention work (known as Early Help). The work of the service helps meet Corporate Plan Priorities 1, 2 and 3 for families, children and young people.

Financial implications - None

Resource implications - None

Legal implications - None

Risk implications - None

Equalities implications - Monitoring intelligence on all of our social care processes and associated demographics allows us to assess and then investigate if there are any unintended impacts of any processes or practices.

Climate implications - None

Security implications - None

Conclusion

5. The Corporate Parenting Annual Report sets out the outcomes that have been achieved for City Corporation's children in care during the period April 2023 to March 2024.

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Corporate Parenting Annual Report 2023 / 24

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