

## **Children In Care Service**

### **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 An overview report has been requested in relation to the Children in Care service in Derby City by the Corporate Parenting Committee to provide a current picture of the service, work-load and future challenges and opportunities.
- 1.2 A presentation will be provided on the day by the Deputy Head of Service, which will highlight current structures, case/work-load and future challenges and opportunities.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 To note the current position of the Children in Care service in Derby city.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 To ensure Corporate Parenting Committee are kept abreast of the work of the Children in Care service.

### **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 4.1 A presentation will be given to the Board.

### **OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 5.1 NA, this is a statutory service.

**This report has been approved by the following officers:**

<b>Legal officer</b> <b>Financial officer</b> <b>Human Resources officer</b> <b>Estates/Property officer</b> <b>Service Director(s)</b> <b>Other(s)</b>	N/A N/A N/A N/A Suanne Lim.
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<b>IMPLICATIONS</b>
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**Financial and Value for Money**

- 1.1 There are no financial implications brought about by the findings contained within the annual missing report.

**Legal**

- 2.1 The Local Authority has a statutory duty to deliver services to Children in Care and Care Leavers under the Children Act 1989.

**Personnel**

- 3.1 There are no personnel implications.

**IT**

- 4.1 There are no IT implications.

**Equalities Impact**

- 5.1 Children in Care are a group that suffer from multiple vulnerabilities and deprivations.

**Health and Safety**

- 6.1 There are no significant health and safety risk.

**Environmental Sustainability**

- 7.1 None arising from this report

**Property and Asset Management**

- 8.1 None arising from this report

**Risk Management**

- 9.1 There are risks to children themselves and for the Council of not providing quality

services for this group of significantly vulnerable children.

## **Corporate objectives and priorities for change**

10.1 Links to the Corporate plan are through:

Protecting vulnerable children, young people, adults and older people:

Making sure that we take action to safeguard vulnerable adults and children that require higher levels of support including; our looked after children and vulnerable adults with learning disabilities. This will involve early intervention and prevention wherever possible.