

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO CORPORATE PARENTING CABINET COMMITTEE

03 NOVEMBER 2009

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR - CHILDREN

REVIEW OF THE CORPORATE PARENTING CABINET COMMITTEE'S INFORMAL FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

1. Purpose of Report.

- 1.1 To review the Committee's Informal Forward Work Programme and propose additional topics for inclusion.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Plan / Other Corporate Priority.

- 2.1 The proposed Programme links with the corporate theme of Young Voices.

3. Background.

- 3.1 An Informal Forward Work Programme was agreed following the Committee's inception. The Programme is now reviewed at each meeting to enable adjustments to be made and for new items to be added.

4. Current situation / proposal.

- 4.1 The following items are proposed for inclusion in the Committee's Informal Forward Work Programme:

- twice yearly report on findings from Members' rota visits, to include number of visits undertaken;
- twice yearly performance information in relation to looked after children, with reference to the Members' guide "If it were my Child" (WAG 2009);
- young people's session, content to be determined by the young people themselves;

Update reports, to include:

- Wales Audit Office study report on education of looked after children;
- Residential review;
- Work experience/apprenticeship scheme for BCBC.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework & Procedure Rules.

- 5.1 None

6. Legal Implications.

6.1 None

7. Financial Implications.

7.2 None

8. Recommendation.

It is recommended that the Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee:

- Considers and approves the inclusion of the proposed topics set out at paragraph 4.1 of this report in its Informal Forward Work Programme;
- Identifies further topics for inclusion in its Informal Forward Work Programme;

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Background documents

None.