MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET COMMITTEE CORPORATE PARENTING HELD HYBRID IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER - CIVIC OFFICES, ANGEL STREET, BRIDGEND, CF31 4WB ON WEDNESDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2025 AT 10:00

Present

Councillor J Gebbie - Chairperson

E L P Caparros P Davies M J Evans N Farr

GC Haines JC Spanswick

Present Virtually

F D Bletsoe J E Pratt T Thomas A Wathan

AJ Williams E D Winstanley

Officers:

Daniel Bolton Group Manager, Provider Services

Mark Galvin Senior Democratic Services Officer - Committees

Raeanna Grainger Group Manager, IAA & Safeguarding Mark Lewis Group Manager - Integrated Working

Claire Marchant Corporate Director - Social Services and Wellbeing

Oscar Roberts Business Administrative Apprentice - Democratic Services

David Wright Deputy Head of Children and Family Services

75. Apologies for Absence

Decision Made	Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Jones and H Williams
Date Decision Made	29 October 2025

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76. Declarations of Interest

Decision Made	There were no declarations of interest received	
Date Decision Made	29 October 2025	

77. Approval of Minutes

Decision Made	RESOLVED:	That the minutes of a meeting of the Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting dated 7 May 2025, be approved as a true and accurate record.
Date Decision Made	29 October 2025	

78. Independent Reviewing Service Annual Report 2024-2025

Decision Made	RESOLVED:	That the Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting noted the Annual Report and Action Plan.
Date Decision Made	29 October 2025	

79. Implementation of an Incentive Payment Scheme Based on Council Tax Liability and an Inflationary Increase of Allowances and Fees for Foster Carers and Kinship Carers in Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC)

Decision Made	RESOLVED:	That the Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting endorsed the
		report and the steps being taken to improve carer retention,

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		encourage IFA transfers and support more children to remain in local, in-house placements.
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80. Regional Children's Advocacy Service

Decision Made	RESOLVED:	That the Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting considered and noted both Annual reports in relation to the regional advocacy service.
Date Decision Made	29 October 2025	

81. Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) Improvement Check of Childrens and Family Services June 2025

Decision Made	RESOLVED:	That the Cabinet Committee – Corporate Parenting considered the CIW findings report and approved the associated Action Plan.
Date Decision Made	29 October 2025	

82. Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) Fostering Service Inspection June 2025

Decision Made	RESOLVED:	That the Cabinet Committee – Corporate Parenting considered the CIW findings report and approved the associated Action Plan.
Date Decision Made	29 October 2025	

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83. Urgent Items

Decision Made	There were no urgent items.
Date Decision Made	29 October 2025

To observe further debate that took place on the above items, please click this link

The meeting closed at 11:16.