

## Terms of Reference

### Corporate Parenting Board

#### Powers/Remit

- To secure member and cross-departmental involvement and commitment throughout the Council; to deliver better outcomes for children in our care.
- To ensure that Nottingham City Council enables children in its care to:
  - Have safe and stable care
  - Be well looked after
  - Be prepared for adult life
  - To grow into emotionally balanced and resilient young people
- To raise the profile of looked after children and their carers, and to act as champions for the needs and rights of looked after children in the Council's various service areas, political groups and settings.
- To invite people other than Council members and officers to attend meetings of the Board, on a regular or occasional basis, to act in an advisory role and to feed in the views of children and young people in care.
- To make a commitment to prioritising the needs of looked after children and their carers.
- To report regularly to the Children's Partnership Board (acting as the Children's Trust) on matters relating to the partnership.
- To report annually to Full Council and Young Nottingham Select Committee on progress and to consider matters referred to them by Full Council, Executive Board and Young Nottingham Select Committee.
- To make recommendations through Executive Board on potential strategic change required within the Council to embed this agenda.
- To have the ambition to raise the standards of core services to looked after children.

- To promote achievement and help to build aspirations.
- To listen to the views of looked after children and young people and their carers and to involve them in the development and assessment of services.
- To encourage looked after children to become active citizens.
- To monitor the Council's provision for looked after children.
- To oversee the provision of work placements and apprenticeships for looked after children by the City Council.
- To identify best practice in other Councils, and to import these ideas as appropriate.

Accountable to: Executive Board

Meetings: Normally 6 per annum

Eligibility for Membership: 9 members, politically balanced, to include the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services (Chair) and the Leader or Deputy Leader

## **MEMBERSHIP**

### **Elected Members**

#### **Labour**

Portfolio Holder for Children's Services (Chair) – Councillor David Mellen  
Leader – Councillor Jon Collins  
Councillor Penny Griggs  
Councillor Mohammed Ibrahim\*  
Councillor Ginny Klein  
Councillor Dave Smith\*  
Councillor Jane Urquhart

#### **Substitute**

Councillor Mick Newton\*

#### **Conservatives**

Councillor Eileen Morley\*

#### **Substitutes**

Councillor Dick Benson\*  
Councillor Brendan Clarke-Smith\*  
Councillor Georgina Culley\*  
Councillor Gerald Davie\*  
Councillor Andrew Price\*  
Councillor Timothy Spencer\*

#### **Liberal Democrats**

Councillor Tony Marshall

#### **Substitutes**

Councillor Saghir Akhtar\*  
Councillor Alex Foster\*  
Councillor Gary Long\*  
Councillor David Oldham\*  
Councillor Tony Sutton\*

\*Appointments to be confirmed by Executive Board – 20 January 2009

## **OTHER REPRESENTATIVES**

The following representatives have also agreed to attend meetings of the Board, or to send deputies, in order to act in an advisory role, or to enable the development of appropriate links with Council departments and other organisations.

Sara Parker ) National Youth Advisory Service  
Suzanne Arslan )

Gill Moy, Director of Housing, Nottingham City Homes

David Cooke, Regional Director, Business in the Community

### **City Council Officers**

Barry Horne – Corporate Director of Environment and Regeneration (Strategic Management Team representative)

Julie Lewis – Lead Officer - Head of Children in Care )  
Lynne Anderson – Service Manager (Fostering) )  
Kate Marron – Head of Curriculum and Strategy 8-13 ) Children's Services  
Colin Monckton – Head of Improvement and Policy )  
Simon Westwood/Ann Goldsmith – Directors, Specialist Services )

Representation from the following departments is to be confirmed:

- Adult Services, Housing and Health
- Community and Culture
- Resources