

Corporate Parenting Board – 20th January 2014 Children in Care and Care Leavers Strategic Priorities 2013 – 2015

Appendix One – Strategic Priorities and source from which they derived

Strategic Priority		Source				Strategic Priority Statements	
		CiC JSNA	'Have your say' Survey	CPPAP	Professionals		
1	Reduce substance misuse.	✓				1	To reduce young pregnancy and substance misuse. In addition to ensuring the timely completion of health checks, dental checks, immunisations, and SDQs (Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaires).
2	Reduce young pregnancy.	✓					
3	To ensure the timely completion of health checks, dental checks, immunisations, and SDQs (Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaires).			✓		2	NCC believes that all children should grow up with their birth families. Where this is not able to happen we will secure permanency through adoption, special guardianship, residence orders or long term fostering.
4	To reduce delays in securing permanency through adoption, special guardianship, residence orders and long term fostering.				✓		
5	Provide safe environments and stability in placement.			✓			
6	Ensure children in care and care leavers are better able to deal successfully with significant changes in their lives.			✓		3	To ensure children in care and care leavers are better able to deal successfully with significant changes in their lives. This includes improving transition into independence, and ensuring there are consultation and participation opportunities.
7	Improve transition into independence.		✓				
8	Continue to seek the wishes and feelings of children in care and care leavers, and use this information to influence the care and support they experience.		✓				
9	Ensure children in care know about the Advocacy, Independent Visitor, and Complaints service.		✓			4	To improve the educational attainment of children in care and to ensure care leavers engage in employment, education or training.
10	Improve educational attainment.	✓					
11	Support children in care and care leavers into employment, and training			✓		5	To ensure care leavers have access to suitable accommodation and support.
12	Ensure care leavers have access to suitable accommodation and support.			✓			
13	Reduce offending behaviour.	✓				6	To reduce offending behaviour through strong collaborative partnership work.