

CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD - NOVEMBER 2018

Title of paper:	The Childrens Society: Independent Advocacy Annual Report 2018	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Helen Blackman – Director, Children’s Integrated Services	Wards affected: All
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Other colleagues who have provided input:		
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)		
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Services		<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		<input type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
<p>Independent Advocacy Service provided to all Children in Care under Section 24D/26 the Children’s Act 1989. Promotes Children’s Rights and Entitlements supporting children and young people’s meaningful involvement in decisions, which affect their lives.</p>		
Recommendation(s):		
1	To fulfil the delivery the Children’s Advocacy Services contract as set out within the Service Specification dated 16th March 2018.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 For the board to acknowledge and discuss the Children’s Society Advocacy Services Annual Report.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 The Children’s Society are a national charity that works with the country's most vulnerable children and young people. We have over 15 years’ experience in providing advocacy services across the UK. The Childrens Society deliver a number of services throughout Nottingham and Nottinghamshire including Child Sexual

Exploitation and Child Sexual Abuse services. This year we have launched the Nottingham City Next Generation service for children and young people impacted by multiple disadvantages..

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 None.

4 FINANCE COLLEAGUE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

4.1 None.

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COLLEAGUE COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)

5.1 None.

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COLLEAGUE COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)

6.1 None.

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.1 An EIA is not required because the report does not contain financial proposals or decisions.

8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

8.1 Appendix 1: The Children's Society Independent Advocacy Service Annual Report 2018

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

9.1 None.