

Calderdale MBC

Wards Affected

Cabinet

12th June 2023



Calderdale Corporate Parenting Panel – Revised of Terms of Reference

Report of the Director, Children and Young People's Service

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To seek approval of the revised Terms of Reference of the Corporate Parenting Panel.

2. Need for a decision

- 2.1 Approval is sought so that the new Terms of Reference can be implemented prior to the first meeting of the New Municipal Year.

3. Recommendation

- 3.1 the revised Terms of Reference set out in Appendix 1 of the report be approved; and
- 3.2 that Cabinet notes the formal name change to the Calderdale Corporate Parenting Partnership Board.

4. Background and/or details

- 4.1 In June 2010 Cabinet agreed to the establishment of a Corporate Parenting Panel to fulfil its statutory requirement in relation to its corporate parenting responsibilities.
- 4.2 In November 2022, the Local Government Association (LGA) undertook a peer review of corporate parenting in Calderdale. The recommendations included a revision of the Corporate Parenting Panel, to ensure that the panel provided robust partnership support to Children Looked After and Care Leavers.
- 4.3 The LGA recommended steering away from a scrutiny approach and focussing on collaboration and support.
- 4.4 At the meeting of the Corporate Parenting Panel on the 28th March 2023, a revised Terms of Reference was presented to the Panel for consideration. The Corporate Parenting Panel agreed the revised Terms of Reference and the change of name to the Calderdale Corporate Parenting Partnership Board, and recommended that Cabinet approves the revised Terms of Reference, at appendix 1 of the report

5. Options considered

- 5.1 Cabinet could choose not to make the proposed changes to the Terms of reference of the Corporate Parenting Panel. This could however impact on the ability of the Council to fulfil its statutory duties and corporate parenting responsibilities.

6. Financial implications

- 6.1 Attendance at meetings of the Corporate Parenting Panel is an approved duty for the purposes of the payment of travel expenses under the Members' Allowances Scheme.

7. Legal Implications

- 7.1 None

8. Human Resources and Organisation Development Implications

- 8.1 None

9. Consultation

- 9.1 None

10. Environment, Health and Economic Implications

- 10.1 None

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