

CORPORATE PARENTING SUB COMMISSION 11 DECEMBER 2007

Report of the Corporate Director for Children and Young People

Statistical Information on Children Looked After

RECOMMENDATION

1.1 To note appendix 2 of this report, which gives statistical information on children looked after.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

2.1 The statistical information will be updated for future Commission meetings, it is anticipated that this will assist councillors in fulfilling their corporate parenting role.

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Background papers: None

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. None.

Legal

2. The Green Paper 'Every Child Matters' and Children Act 2004 highlights the need for 'joined up' services to ensure children's need are met which includes those of children looked after. The Green Paper 'Care Matters: Transforming the lives of children and young people in care' will place new responsibilities on Local Authorities for the care of their children looked after and is currently being consulted on.

Personnel

3. None.

Equalities Impact

4. Statistical information will assist Councillors to undertake their corporate parenting role in seeking to secure positive outcomes for children looked after.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. This accords with the Council's objective of **helping us to be healthy and independent** and furthers the priority of **supporting everyone in learning and achieving.**

Statistical Information Report: Appendix 2

Accommodation										Number of children at 23.11.2007
Placed for Adoption	31	32	27	19	18	22	30	34	34	33
Foster Placement with Relative or Friend in LA boundary	17	18	18	18	18	18	26	32	36	29
Placement with LA Foster Carer in LA boundary	132	136	138	140	150	144	135	122	126	131
Placement with other Agency Foster Carer in LA boundary	6	3	0	0	1	1	1	4	8	6
Foster Placement with Relative or Friend outside LA boundary	7	6	6	7	11	11	6	9	8	7
Placement with LA Foster Carer outside LA boundary	55	58	70	73	68	66	62	60	67	68
Placement with other Agency Foster Carer outside LA boundary	43	45	44	47	46	50	47	43	47	56
Childrens Home inside LA boundary	40	41	43	33	33	36	38	35	39	39
Childrens Home outside LA boundary	6	6	7	7	6	7	6	10	7	5
Whereabouts unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Accommodation										Number of children at 23.11.07
Placed with own parents/or other with parental responsibility	12	12	17	18	23	22	22	28	24	23
Independent Living	1	1	2	4	3	3	4	3	3	4
Residential Care Home (RHA 1984)	5	5	4	4	5	3	4	3	3	5
Residential School	4	4	5	6	5	4	4	4	3	3
Secure unit inside LA boundary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Secure unit outside LA boundary	0	2	1	1	1	2	3	2	2	3
NHS medical/nursing care	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hostels/supportive settings	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
YOI or prison	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	3	1
TOTAL	360	370	383	377	389	390	390	391	410	413

• Number of approved foster carers: 181 as at 23/11/2007

Children in Care accessing education from the children's homes Information from Pauline Inwood as at 15 November 2007:

Here is the round-up regarding education for LAC in the Homes, as known at 15 November -

Total LAC in the Homes 36

School age LAC in the Homes - 26 - as -

17 have Full-time timetables, 13 of these on mainstream (including Special) school rolls, 4 in the PRU

9 have part-time timetables, 2 of these on mainstream (including Special) school rolls, 7 in the PRU (including the Enhanced Care Unit)

8 have statements of Special Educational Needs

There are two additional children in foster care who have no school placement at present (not in Derby) and both these cases are expected to be resolved soon.

National & Local Performance Indicators		Responsible	2006/2007		Target	Current	Forecast 2007/2008		% Difference between forecast	
		Officer			2007/2008	Oct-07				
			Result	Band	Figure	Figure	Figure	Band	and target	
Stay Sa	Stay Safe									
A1	Stability of placements of children looked after (BVPI 49) (KT) (CPD4c)	Katie Harris	10.7%	••••	9.5%	9.7%	9.2%	out of	3.01%	
B79	Children aged at least 10 and under 16 looked after in foster placements or placed for adoption	Katie Harris	76.5%	•••	74.0%	75.8%	75.6%	out of	2.17%	
C23	Adoptions of children looked after (BVPI 163) (KT)	Katie Harris	8.4%	••••	9.0%	6.0%	11.1%	out of	23.33%	
C68	Timeliness of reviews of children looked after	Sue Richards	84.2%	••	95.0%	98.3%	97.2%	out of	2.32%	
D78	Long term stability of children looked after	Katie Harris	66.4%	••••	80.0%	68.2%	67.4%	n/a	-15.80%	
Local	Ethnicity of children looked after	Elene Constantinou	0.98	n/a	1.00	0.92	0.91	n/a	-0.09	
Local	Children looked after per 1000 children	Elene Constantinou	7.40	n/a	7.20	7.90	7.87	n/a	-0.09	
Local	Percentage of Children Looked After in residential placements	Rod Jones	14.2%	n/a	14.0%	13.5%	13.4%	n/a	n/a	

Enjoying and Achieving										
A2	Educational Qualifications of Children Looked After. (BVPI50) (KT)	Pauline Inwood	69.0%	••••	63.0%	73.7%	77.2%	out of	22.50%	
C69	Distance children newly looked after are placed from home - NEW	Katie Harris	8.5%	n/a	8.0%	8.2%	10.0%	n/a	-24.70%	
Make a positive contribution										
CF/C18	Final warnings/reprimands and convictions of children looked after - NEW	Elene Constantinou	1.80	•••	1.70	0.99	0.99	out of	41.69%	
C63	Participation of looked after children in reviews (CPD4j)	Sue Richards	92.5%	••••	95.0%	96.0%	94.1%	out of	-0.95%	
Achieve Economic Well-being										
A 4	Employment, education & Training for Care Leavers (BVPI161)	Sue Lomas	1.00	•••••	1.00	1.23	1.23	out of	0.23	

