

Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board Recommendations from the meeting held on 6 October 2015

Council Cabinet Agenda – 7 October 2015

Item 8 East Midlands Regional Children's Framework for Independent Foster Agencies and Children's Homes Providers

Recommendation 1 – The board endorsed the report as a means to achieving externally sourced placements as affordably as possible

Recommendation 2 – The board recognised the ongoing necessity to promote foster caring through the local authority to meet the needs of foster children while achieving the best value for money.

Item 9 Kedleston Road Training Centre Redevelopment

Recommendation 3 – The board supported the proposals subject to the reconfiguration of the car park being achieved to alleviate existing and new pressures as best as possible.

Item 10 European Structural and Investment Fund Strategy 2014-20 – Successful Expressions of Interest

Recommendation 4 – The board endorsed the proposals.

Item 11 Protecting Derby Residents from Poverty

The board made no recommendations.

Item 12 Contract and Financial Procedure Matters

Recommendation 5 – The board supported the recommendations but recommended to the Cabinet Member that the process for pursuing those with unpaid debts be reviewed to ensure every possible avenue has been exhausted prior to bad debts being proposed for write-off, to include consideration of pursuit through the courts where appropriate.

Item 13 Adults and Social Care Use of Resources Peer Challenge Findings 2015

The board made no recommendations.

Item 14 Council Scorecard 2015-6

Recommendation 6 – The board supported the report and requested that compliance with e-learning continue to be monitored and reported back to a subsequent meeting of the board.

Note – the board made separate resolutions, not affecting Council Cabinet directly, to:

- 1) Agree to undertake a Performance Review on homelessness acceptances at its next meeting; and
- 2) Request that the review requested above include a split between the number of households where the main reason for homelessness was (a) domestic abuse or (b) loss of an assured shorthold tenancy.

Item 15 Annual Report 2014/5

Recommendation 7 – The board recommended that the Annual Report be shared more widely through groups such as Neighbourhood Forums to maximise its audience.