



Derby City Council

CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD
07 October 2014

Report of the Strategic Director for Children and
Young People

ITEM 8

Adoption Statement of Purpose

SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Adoption Statement of Purpose at Appendix 2 sets out the aims and objectives of the Derby City Adoption Service.
- 1.2 The information contained in the Statement of Purpose is prescribed in Standard 18 of the Adoption National Minimum Standards 2014. The Statement of Purpose will be regularly reviewed and formally updated as required by the National Minimum Standards.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note the 2014 Adoption Statement of Purpose

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 To comply with guidance and regulations and National Minimum Standards for Adoption Services

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 The National Adoption Standards have been written to ensure that looked after and adopted children, birth families, prospective adopters, adopted adults and the general public understand what they can expect from an adoption service. The values, aims and objectives are set out in the statement of purpose.
- 4.2 The 2014 statement of purpose is an updated document and was previously considered by Corporate Parenting in September 2013.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 Not applicable

This report has been approved by the following officers:

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

- 1.1 None arising from this report

Legal

- 2.1 None arising from this report

Personnel

- 3.1 None arising from this report

Equalities Impact

- 4.1 This is considered at all stages of the recruitment, assessment, training and support of adopters and in particular at the matching stage with a child.

Health and Safety

- 5.1 This is considered at all stages of the recruitment, assessment, training and support of adopters. All the managers in the service have completed mandatory Health and Safety training.

Environmental Sustainability

- 6.1 None arising from this report

Property and Asset Management

- 7.1 None arising from this report

Risk Management

- 8.1 Risk is managed at all stages of the adoption process.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 9.1 The adoption service supports the Councils priorities of
- inspiring start in life
 - inspiring start in life by improving educational attainment

- inspiring working life by improving skills and creating jobs