## Appendix 3

## **Consultation Process for Parental Contributions to Children In Care Policy**

Date	Action by the Council
11 November 2015	Initial report and policy to Cabinet. If accepted, then the process below will begin.
November 2015	Letters to parents of children in care who will be eligible for assessment if the policy were to be introduced. This would not include any parents on State Benefits or parents of children over 16 years.
November / December 2015	Children In Care Council to be consulted about their views of the policy.
January 2016	Meeting with any parents wishing to attend to make representations
10 February 2016	Close of consultation period. Equality Impact Assessment to be drafted if consultation is favourable to the policy / does not appear to be sufficiently forceful for the policy to be shelved.  Report to Cabinet setting out the responses from parents.
16 March 2016	Cabinet Decision communicated to Parents by letter.