

Children Home Visit Procedure

SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Corporate Parenting Sub-Commission was established on 13 September 2011 by the Children and Young People Commission.
- 1.2 It has responsibility for scrutinising all issues relating to Children Looked After by Derby City Council.
- 1.3 The Commission has encouraged Members to carry out visits to Children's Homes. The Councillors reports are received by officers and responses are brought to the Corporate Parenting Sub-Commission.
- 1.4 This report sets out a suggested procedure to streamline this process and to agree appropriate timescales for receiving reports.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To approve the procedure

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 Although members have visited children's homes as part of their role as Corporate Parents the process for arranging visits, the visits, submitting their feedback and receiving responses to the feedback has never been formalised.
- 3.2 Members have raised concerns that the process is not as streamlined or as effective as it could be. The protocol aims to address these concerns.

This report has been approved by the following officers:

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

1.1 None directly arising from this report.

Legal

2.1 None directly arising from this report.

Personnel

3.1 None directly arising from this report.

Equalities Impact

4.1 By visiting Children in their role as Corporate Parents, Members can help to ensure equality policies are being adhered to in children's homes.

Health and Safety

5.1 None directly arising from this report.

Environmental Sustainability

6.1 None directly arising from this report.

Asset Management

7.1 None directly arising from this report.

Risk Management

8.1 None directly arising from this report.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 9.1
- Achieving their learning potential
 - Good Health and Wellbeing
 - Being Safe and feeling safe
 - A strong Community

