

CORPORATE PARENTING PANEL

MINUTES

14 JUNE 2017

Chair: * Councillor Aneka Shah-Levy

Councillors: * Christine Bednell * Mrs Christine Robson
* Simon Brown Anne Whitehead
* Janet Mote

**Non-Voting
Advisory Member:** * Valerie Griffin

* Denotes Member present

RECOMMENDED ITEMS

158. Corporate Parenting Strategy

The Head of the Corporate Parenting Service introduced the report, explaining the Panel was being asked to make a recommendation to Cabinet to approve the strategy set out in the report.

Councillor Bednell endorsed the recognition of the role of carers in the strategy, and Councillor Mote commended the work of the Virtual School. It was suggested that the Headteacher of the Virtual School bring the tablet device for Looked After Children to the next meeting so that members of the Panel could see how it operated. Val Griffin reported that children had reacted very positively to the "letterbox" initiative with a foster child in her care saying he felt "famous" as a result.

Resolved to RECOMMEND:

That the Cabinet be recommended to approve the Corporate Parenting Strategy 2017-2019.