

Committee:	Corporate Parenting Panel
Date:	6 October 2008
Subject:	INFORMATION REPORT: Care Matters Update – Harrow’s response to the Children and Young Persons Bill 2007
Responsible Officer:	Corporate Director of Children’s Services, Paul Clark
Portfolio Holder:	Portfolio Holder for Children’s Services, Councillor Christine Bednell
Exempt:	No
Enclosures:	Care Matters Update

Section 1 – Summary

FOR INFORMATION

- 1.1. Report to update Corporate Parenting Panel on Harrow’s response to the Children and Young Persons Bill 2007 which will significantly progress the Care Matters agenda

Section 2 – Report

2.1 The Children and Young Persons Bill is designed to reform and strengthen the statutory framework around the care system.

2.2 The Bill contains a range of initiatives and provisions that aim to enable children and young people in the care system to receive high quality care

2.3 The provisional timetable is that the Bill receives Royal Assent in 2008

2.4 The Life Chances Forum has endorsed the suggested areas that will benefit from the Care Matters grant. Officers are in the process of finalising the projected costs

Section 3 – Further Information

3.1 Corporate Parenting Panel is asked to consider the contents of the attached update on Harrow's response to Care Matters and to provide direction.

Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

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