

## Corporate Parenting Committee

**Tuesday 24 October 2017 at 5.00 pm**

Members Suite - 4th Floor, Brent Civic Centre,  
Engineers Way, Wembley, HA9 0FJ

### Membership:

#### Members

Councillors:

M Patel (Chair)  
Conneely  
Hossain  
Kansagra  
Thomas

#### Substitute Members

Councillors:

S Choudhary, Crane, Dixon and  
Hoda-Benn

Councillor:

Colwill

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### The press and public are welcome to attend this meeting

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## **Notes for Members - Declarations of Interest:**

If a Member is aware they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest\* in an item of business, they must declare its existence and nature at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent and must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item.

If a Member is aware they have a Personal Interest\*\* in an item of business, they must declare its existence and nature at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent.

If the Personal Interest is also a Prejudicial Interest (i.e. it affects a financial position or relates to determining of any approval, consent, licence, permission, or registration) then (unless an exception at 14(2) of the Members Code applies), after disclosing the interest to the meeting the Member must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item, except that they may first make representations, answer questions or give evidence relating to the matter, provided that the public are allowed to attend the meeting for those purposes.

### **\*Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:**

- (a) **Employment, etc.** - Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit gain.
- (b) **Sponsorship** - Any payment or other financial benefit in respect expenses in carrying out duties as a member, or of election; including from a trade union.
- (c) **Contracts** - Any current contract for goods, services or works, between the Councillors or their partner (or a body in which one has a beneficial interest) and the council.
- (d) **Land** - Any beneficial interest in land which is within the council's area.
- (e) **Licences** - Any licence to occupy land in the council's area for a month or longer.
- (f) **Corporate tenancies** - Any tenancy between the council and a body in which the Councillor or their partner have a beneficial interest.
- (g) **Securities** - Any beneficial interest in securities of a body which has a place of business or land in the council's area, if the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body or of any one class of its issued share capital.

### **\*\*Personal Interests:**

The business relates to or affects:

- (a) Anybody of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management, and:

- To which you are appointed by the council;
- which exercises functions of a public nature;
- which is directed is to charitable purposes;
- whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy (including a political party of trade union).

- (b) The interests a of a person from whom you have received gifts or hospitality of at least £50 as a member in the municipal year;

or

A decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting, to a greater extent than the majority of other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the electoral ward affected by the decision, the well-being or financial position of:

- You yourself;
- a member of your family or your friend or any person with whom you have a close association or any person or body who employs or has appointed any of these or in whom they have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000, or any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are a director
- any body of a type described in (a) above.

# Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate.

Item	Page
<b>1 Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members</b>	
<b>2 Declarations of interests</b>  Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, the nature and existence of any relevant disclosable pecuniary, personal or prejudicial interests in the items on this agenda and to specify the item(s) to which they relate.	
<b>3 Deputations (if any)</b>  To hear any deputations received from members of the public in accordance with Standing Order 67.	
<b>4 Minutes of the previous meeting</b>	1 - 8
To approve the minutes of the previous meeting as a correct record.	
<b>5 Matters arising (if any)</b>  To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.	
<b>6 Update from Care In Action Representatives</b>  This is an opportunity for members of Care In Action (CIA) to feedback on recent activity.	
<b>7 Presentation on Health Assessments for Looked after Children</b>  A presentation will be provided by Nikola Rickard (Lead Nurse for LAC – London North West Healthcare NHS Trust) on Health Assessments for Looked After Children.	
<b>8 Looked After Children and Offending Behaviour</b>	9 - 18
This report outlines some of the common themes and considerations in working with Looked After Children (LAC) within the youth justice system and known to the Brent Youth Offending Service (YOS). The report sets out learning from the Youth Justice Board's response to the Laming	

Report, considers the links with data held across the Children and Young People's Department, identifies areas of improved joint practice between the YOS and LAC teams and considers a recent YOS Critical Learning Review.

**9 Fostering Service Quarterly Report (July 2017 - September 2017)** 19 - 26

The purpose of this report is to provide information to the Council's Corporate Parenting Committee about the general management of the in-house fostering service and how it is achieving good outcomes for children. This is in accordance with standard 25.7 of the Fostering National Minimum Standards (2011). The report covers the second quarter of this reporting year.

**10 Adoption Service Six Monthly Report (April 2017 - September 2017)** 27 - 32

The purpose of this report is to provide information to the Council's Corporate Parenting Committee about the general management of the adoption service and how it is achieving good outcomes for children. This report details the activity of Brent's adoption service from April 1st 2017– September 30th 2017.

**11 Any other urgent business**

Notice of items to be raised under this heading must be given in writing to the Head of Executive and Member Services or his representative before the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 60.

**Date of the next meeting: Wednesday 7 February 2018**



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