

Record of Decision

Looked After Children and Corporate Parenting Strategy 2018/2020

Decision Taker

Cabinet on 23 July 2019

Decision

- (i) that the Children Looked After and Corporate Parenting Strategy 2018-2020 set out at Appendix 1 to the submitted report be approved; and
- (ii) that the Corporate Parenting Board ensure that the Strategy is implemented and seek assurance that outcomes for our Children Looked After are improved.

Reason for the Decision

Agreement of the Strategy will mean that the Council has clarity around the work that it commits to do to ensure good outcomes for the children that the Council looks after.

Implementation

This decision will come into force and may be implemented on Monday, 5 August 2019 unless the call-in procedure is triggered (as set out in Standing Orders in relation to Overview and Scrutiny).

Information

The Children Looked After and Corporate Parenting Strategy for 2018-2020 was approved by the Elected Mayor in October 2018 with the Director of Children's Services authorised to make any final changes. One of the final changes which was needed was the completion of the Action Plan attached to the Strategy.

Following the change in governance arrangements since May 2019, it is appropriate that the new Cabinet confirm the Strategy and the Action Plan which has now been completed, full details of which were set out in the submitted report and appendix.

Councillor Law proposed and Councillor Stockman seconded a motion which was agreed unanimously by the Cabinet as set out above.

Alternative Options considered and rejected at the time of the decision

Alternative options were set out in the submitted report but not discussed at the meeting.

Is this a Key Decision?

No

Does the call-in procedure apply?

Yes

Declarations of interest (including details of any relevant dispensations issued by the Standards Committee)

None

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Signed: _____ Date: 25 July 2019
Deputy Leader of Torbay Council on behalf of the Cabinet