

Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Board Recommendations to Cabinet – Corporate Parenting Strategy

Report to Cabinet – 24 August 2021

Background

- The Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Board met on 27
 July (see Minute 10/7/21 Minutes Template (torbay.gov.uk) and 18 August
 2021 to consider the draft Corporate Parenting Strategy.
- 2. Members considered the final draft Corporate Parenting Strategy due to be presented to the Cabinet on 24 August 2021. The Strategy had been updated in light of consultation responses received from the Corporate Parenting Board and Foster Carer Forum. Members noted the main changes to the document since their original consideration and fully supported the proposed tone and content of the Strategy with a partnership approach to achieve the best for our cared for and care experienced young people.
- 3. The Director of Children's Services, Nancy Meehan, and the Leader of the Council, Councillor Steve Darling, also provided an update on the work of the Strategic Partnership Child Friendly Sub-Group and the four sub-groups which would be looking at actions to help the Council, local businesses, community, voluntary and statutory agencies work together to make Torbay a Child Friendly place to live, work and play.
- 4. The Board resolved unanimously:

That the Cabinet be recommended:

- 1. to approve the Corporate Parenting Strategy;
- 2. to recommend to Full Council that the Corporate Parenting Strategy become a Policy Framework document; and
- 3. that following engagement with children and young people a further updated Corporate Parenting Strategy be prepared for consideration by Council.