

APPENDIX 3: Corporate Parenting-Legislation and relevant departmental advice and statutory guidance

Corporate parenting refers to the responsibilities of local authorities and other service providers to ensure that looked-after children and care leavers (cared for and care experienced children & young people) receive secure, nurturing and positive experiences.

This concept is outlined in the Children and Social Work Act 2017, which emphasises the role of local authorities in supporting these children. The implementation of the legislation is supported by a range of advice and statutory guidance as set out below:

- **Care planning, placement and case review guidance:**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/children-act-1989-care-planning-placement-and-case-review>

- **Planning transition to adulthood for care leavers:**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/children-act-1989-transition-to-adulthood-for-care-leavers>

- **Roles and responsibilities of the Director of Children's Services and the Lead Member for Children's Services:**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/directors-of-childrens-services-roles-and-responsibilities>

- **Promoting the health and well-being of looked-after children:**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/promoting-the-health-and-wellbeing-of-looked-after-children--2>

- **Promoting the education of looked-after children:**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/promoting-the-education-of-looked-after-children>

- **Care Leaver Strategy: a cross departmental strategy for young people leaving care:**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/keep-on-caring-supporting-young-people-from-care-to-independence>

- **Working together to safeguard children:**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-safeguard-children--2>