Title: Answers to CSSC’s List of Selected Questions on Corporate Parenting

Report of the Corporate Director of Children’s Services

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Summary:

At the start of the municipal year, the Children’s Services Select Committee (CSSC) requested a report on Corporate Parenting for its meeting on 16 November 2015 with a view to discussing the areas of strength and challenge in caring for the borough’s looked after children. The Cabinet Member for Children’s Services and Social Care was in attendance to take part in the discussions.

At the meeting it was felt that due to the time constraints of the meeting and the detail required to answer some of members’ questions, it would be appropriate for a further report to be presented at the CSSC meeting on 14 March 2016, which would include the data members wished to see.

The answers to the questions which could not be fully answered at the meeting on 16 November 2015 are provided in Appendix 1 to this report.

Recommendation(s)

The CSSC is recommended to note the answers to the questions raised by members at the meeting on 16 November 2015.

Reason(s)

The issue of the Council’s performance as a Corporate Parent relates to the Council’s objectives of narrowing the gap in attainment and realising high aspirations for every child (under the “Encouraging Civic Pride” priority), ensuring children and young people are well-educated and realise their potential and, protecting the most vulnerable, keeping adults and children healthy and safe (under the “Enabling Social Responsibility” priority).

Background Papers Used in the Preparation of the Report:

None.

List of appendices:

Appendix 1  Answers to CSSC’s List of Selected Questions on Corporate Parenting