

**Council**6<sup>th</sup> April 2017**Agenda Item 96(a)**

Brighton &amp; Hove City Council

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Corporate Parenting Strategy – Extract from the proceedings of the Health &amp; Wellbeing Board meeting held on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017</b>		
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>6 April 2017</b>		
<b>Report of:</b>	<b>Executive Lead for Strategy, Governance &amp; Law</b>		
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<b>Wards Affected:</b>	All		

**FOR GENERAL RELEASE*****Action Required of Council:***

To receive the item referred from the Health &amp; Wellbeing Board for information:

**Recommendation:**

That the report be noted.



4.00pm 31 January 2017

Council Chamber  
Hove Town Hall

### Minutes

#### 58 CORPORATE PARENTING STRATEGY 2016-19

- 58.1 This item was introduced by Gerry Brandon, Head of Service, Leaving Care Contact and Social Work.
- 58.2 The Chair welcomed the strategy, stressing that it is important that looked after children understand that elected members and council officers take seriously their responsibilities as corporate parents.
- 58.3 Cllr Brown welcomed the strategy and suggested that a link to the strategy be made available to all elected members and council members. This was agreed by other Board members.
- 58.4 Pinaki Ghoshal told the Board that the strategy reflects young people's views much more than the previous strategy did. It is also important to remember that this is a citywide strategy, not just for the council.
- 58.5 Cllr Penn told members that she had visited the 67 Centre to see young people contributing to the strategy. This was a really good example of effective engagement. Cllr Tom Bewick should also be congratulated for all his work in developing the strategy.
- 58.6 Cllr Penn noted that young people had raised concerns with her about the process of getting referred to Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS). Ms Brandon responded that this is a recognised issue and is being addressed.
- 58.7 Cllr Page welcomed the strategy and proposed that it be referred to Full Council for information.
- 58.8 Graham Bartlett offered his congratulations to the team for an excellent and lucid strategy, which showed particularly good practice in capturing user voices.
- 58.9 Ms Brandon agreed to feedback the Board's comments to the Children in Care Council and to thank her team on the Board's behalf.
- 58.9 **RESOLVED:** That the Corporate Parenting Strategy be approved; and that the strategy be referred for information to Full Council.