

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD

Minutes of the special meeting of the Corporate Parenting Board held at the County Borough Council Offices, The Pavilions, Clydach Vale on Friday, 13 June 2014 at 1.30 p.m.

PRESENT

County Borough Councillor G.E.Hopkins – in the Chair

County Borough Councillors

(Mrs) E.Hanagan, (Mrs) M.E.Davies, S.Rees-Owen, R.K.Turner and L.G.Walker

Officers in Attendance

Mr.P.J.Lucas – Director, Legal & Democratic Services

Mr.A.Gwynn – Service Director, Children's Services

Ms.E.D.Pearce – Head of Safeguarding & Standards

Ms.H.Bevan – Education Co-ordinator for Looked After Children

1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of personal interests in matters pertaining to the agenda.

2 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 (as amended) for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 13 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Act, namely, information relating to a particular individual. Transparency in the conduct and capabilities of individuals will be discussed and considered. Consequently, it is considered, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing information by virtue of which the meeting is likely not to be open to the public during its consideration.

REPORT OF THE GROUP DIRECTOR, COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES CONTAINING EXEMPT INFORMATION

3 CHILD PRACTICE REVIEW REPORT

In his report, the Group Director, Community & Children's Services informed the Board of an Extended Child Practice Review undertaken by the Cwm Taf Safeguarding Children Board.

The Board was informed that the review process was very much focused on achieving positive outcomes for children and young people through learning lessons to improve multi agency safeguarding practice. The guidance includes different types of reviews, concise and extended as well as multi agency practitioner forums.

At the meeting, the Board Members were presented with the individual Extended Child Practice Review Report (CTSCB 02/2013) and introduced to Ms. Barbara Firth, one of the Independent Reviewers, involved.

The Chair then invited Ms. Firth to provide the Board with a brief outline of circumstances resulting in the Review, which focused on the period between 3rd October 2011 and 15th March 2013 together with details of the practice and organisational learning outcomes arising from the case and actions for Cwm Taf Safeguarding Children Board and its member agencies.

Following consideration of the report, it was **RESOLVED** to note the contents of the report and acknowledge that next week, the Review report would be placed on the Council's website

G.E.HOPKINS
CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 2.45 p.m.