

CORPORATE PARENTING SELECT COMMITTEE

Hearing 2

Friday, 27th February 2015

Witness Guide for Members

Below are suggested themes and questions. They have been provided in advance to the witnesses to allow them to prepare for the types of issues that Members may be interested to explore. All Members are welcome to ask these questions or pose additional ones to the witnesses via the Committee Chairman.

Themes and Questions

Catherine Atkins, Janet Latter, Janette Sams and Nicki Bailey, Foster Carers

- Please introduce yourselves.
- How long have you been foster carers for? Why did you decide to become foster carers? How many children have you cared for?
- What skills are needed to be a good foster carer?
- What are the most rewarding aspects of being a foster carer?
- What kind of support have you received from Kent County Council?
- What are the main challenges faced by foster carers?
- In your view, what are the main issues faced by children and young people in care in Kent?
- What more can Kent County Council do to help deal with all these issues?
- Are there any other issues, with relevance to the review, which you would like to raise with the Committee?