

CORPORATE PARENTING SELECT COMMITTEE

Hearing

Monday, 5 October 2015

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

Andrew Scott-Clark, Director of Public Health

- Please introduce yourself and outline the roles and responsibilities that you post involves
- What are your corporate parenting duties and responsibilities as a member of the Corporate Management Team?
- What does the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) say about the health needs of children in care (16-17 years old and care leavers) and what steps are being taken to improving the data?
- How is data (and information) used to inform provision and commissioning arrangements and, how are Public Health activities influenced by the 'voice of children and families'?
- What are the Public Health Department's key objectives for the improvement of children and young people in cares' outcomes?
- As an at-risk group, what access do children in care (young people) get to services to help with substance misuse, sexual health and teenage pregnancy?
- How does the public health function assist KCC in evaluating the impact of actions taken across the health economy in addressing health inequalities?
- What further steps could be taken by the Public Health Department to influence NHS organisations in Kent to address the need for specialist therapeutic health services?
- What additional key measures could enable Members to stand-in as effective corporate parents?