

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Peter Oakford, Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

DECISION NO.

15/00005

If decision is likely to disclose exempt information please specify the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

Subject: : Care Leavers Support Policy

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services, I:

- 1) AGREE that Kent County Council adopt the new Care Leavers Support Policy as attached to the recommendation report.
- 2) DELEGATE to the Corporate Director for Social Care, Health & Wellbeing, or other suitable officer, responsibility to implement this decision.

Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken: None

Reason(s) for decision, including alternatives considered and any additional information

The new policy is needed to meet the council's statutory responsibilities by creating a policy for all children in care that will:

- Provide consistency of application of the policy between indigenous and previously unaccompanied asylum seeking care leavers.
- Provide clear guidance for staff, care leavers, foster carers, partner agencies and third sector organisations.
- Be clear about the amount of funds available and any legal process that may apply.

Background Documents:

There will be a decision recommendation report from Corporate Director to Cabinet Member.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The draft policy and the proposed decision were considered at the 20 January 2015, Children's Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee. Officers responded to members questions.

The Committee then resolved that the decision proposed to be taken by the Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services, to agree and adopt, on behalf of Kent County Council, the Care Leavers Support model set out in appendix A to the report, be endorsed, taking into account comments made by this committee.

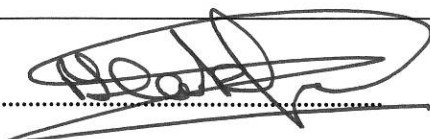
Any alternatives considered:

The policy is required to meet the council's statutory responsibilities.

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:

None

signed



date

30 Sept 15

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