

GWYNEDD COUNCIL CABINET



Report to a meeting of the Gwynedd Council Cabinet

Date of meeting: 13 September 2022
Cabinet Member: Elin Walker Jones, Cabinet Member for Children and Supporting Families
Contact Officer: Dafydd Gibbard, Chief Executive
Title of Item: Corporate Parent Panel Annual Report 2021-22

1. THE DECISION SOUGHT

- 1.1 The Cabinet is asked to accept and note the information in the report which reports on the work of the Corporate Parent Panel for the 2021-22 year.

2. THE REASON FOR THE NEED FOR A DECISION

- 2.1. It is essential that Cabinet members are aware of the Panel's work and are able to satisfy themselves that the Panel has undertaken the work required both thoroughly and conscientiously.
- 2.2. Gwynedd Council and its partners have a clear responsibility to be a Corporate Parent for every child in Gwynedd, and specifically to ensure effective, stable, safe and suitable care for looked after children and young people, including those who are leaving care. This is a report on the work that has been done to ensure that the Council undertakes its responsibility.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1. The purpose of this report is to provide an update on what has been achieved by the Corporate Parent Panel during the period.
- 3.2. It is believed that the report is an accurate and fair summary of the Panel's work.

4. Views of the Statutory Officers:

The Monitoring Officer:

The responsibility of acting as corporate parent is an important duty. It is key therefore that the effectiveness of it's arrangements are reviewed. The Cabinet has

a key role in maintaining an overview of the work of the Panel.

Head of Finance:

The report is factual, explaining to Cabinet the work undertaken by the Panel during 2021/22. I am satisfied that the report is a fair reflection of the situation, and the implementation of the decision sought will not create a new spending commitment.