

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD

19TH MARCH 2024

QUALITY OF CARE REVIEW – FOSTER WALES RCT REPORT

1. <u>PURPOSE OF THE REPORT</u>

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update members on monitoring carried out under the Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016, the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014, and the Local Authority Fostering Services (Wales) Regulations 2018. Whilst there is no requirement to follow CiW's 'Guidance on Completing the Quality of Care Review' this approach has been chosen to assist in meeting statutory responsibilities.

2. <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

It is recommended that Corporate Parenting Board Members:

2.1 Note the contents of the report.

3. **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 The designated responsible individual Foster Wales RCT has a corresponding legal responsibility to establish and maintain a system for monitoring, reviewing and improving the quality of care and support provided by the service. This is known as the 'quality of care review'. The regulations require the review to take place as often as required, or at least every six months.

4. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 This is an information report and therefore no Equality and Diversity Assessment is required.

5. <u>CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT</u>

5.1 This is an information report and therefore no public consultation is required. Consultation with staff and children within the home is carried out as part of the monitoring visits.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATION(S)

6.1 There are no financial implications.

7. <u>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OR LEGISLATION CONSIDERED</u>

7.1 The report is compiled in accordance with the Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016, the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014, and the Local Authority Fostering Services (Wales) Regulations 2018.

8. <u>LINKS TO THE COUNCILS CORPORATE PLAN / OTHER</u> <u>CORPORATE PRIORITIES/ FUTURE GENERATIONS –</u> <u>SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.</u>

- 8.1 The Regulation reports compliment the Council's Corporate Priorities to promote independence and positive lives for everyone by ensuring:
 - Rhondda Cynon Taf children and young people will receive a great start in life.

9. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

- 9.1 The attached report will demonstrate to the Corporate Parenting Board the approaches the Service has undertaken using the following methods:
 - setting internal quality standards
 - gathering information
 - undertaking an analysis
 - reporting and action planning