

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND EDUCATION

CABINET BOARD

28TH APRIL 2016

**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE
SERVICES – A. JARRETT**

MATTER FOR MONITORING

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

**NEATH PORT TALBOT FOSTERING SERVICE REGULATION 42
QUALITY OF CARE REPORT 2015/16**

1. Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with the Neath Port Talbot Fostering Service Regulation 42, Quality of Care Report 2015/16 for the purpose of monitoring the arrangements of the Service.

2. Executive Summary

The report outlines the operational and strategic arrangements and developments within the service over the past year. It provides details on the progress of the service over the year and sets out the key actions for the service in 2016/17.

3. Background

In accordance with Regulation 42 of the Fostering Service (Wales) regulations 2003, the service and the registered person must establish and maintain a system to:

- (a) Monitor the matters set out in Schedule 7 at appropriate intervals, and
- (b) Improve the quality of foster care provided by the fostering agency.

The Quality of Care Report sets out the activity of the service during 2015/16. The intended improvements to the service are contained within the Looked After Children's Strategy and the Foster Carers Recruitment Strategy and Finance Policy which will be presented separately to Members.

4. Financial Impact

There are no financial impacts associated with this report.

5. Equality Impact Assessment

Not applicable.

6. Workforce Impacts

There are no workforce impacts associated with this report.

7. Legal Impacts

There are no legal impacts associated with this report.

8. Risk Management

There are no risk management issues associated with this report.

9. Consultation

There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

10. Recommendation

That the report be noted.

11. Reason for Proposed Decision

This report is for monitoring purposes only.

12. Implementation of Decision

This report is for monitoring purposes only.

13. Appendices

Regulation 42 Quality of Care Report 2015/16

14. List of Background Papers

Looked After Children's Strategy

Foster Carers Recruitment Strategy

Finance Policy

15. Officer Contact

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