

Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting

Corporate Parenting Panel – 19 October 2021

Report Title

One Adoption South Yorkshire (OASY) – the First 6 months

Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?

No

Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report

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Ward(s) Affected

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Report Summary

The attached report provides a summary of performance of progress of the One Adoption South Yorkshire Adoption Service from January 2021 to June 2021.

Recommendations

1. The panel is asked to receive this report as an update on current progress and future planning linked to children where the plan is one of adoption

List of Appendices Included

Appendix 1 One Adoption South Yorkshire - 6 month progress report

Background Papers

None

Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel

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Council Approval Required

No

Exempt from the Press and Public

No

One Adoption South Yorkshire (OASY) – the First 6 months

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1. Background

The attached report provides a summary of performance of progress of the One Adoption South Yorkshire Adoption Service (OASY) from January 2021 to June 2021. Rotherham joined the local OASY Regional Adoption Agency (RAA) in January 2021. The OASY is based on a partnership model, allowing Rotherham staff to remain employed by Rotherham, while ensuring that children with a plan of adoption benefit from the pooled resources and practice model from across South Yorkshire.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 The report reflects the work undertaken in the first 6 months, the progress linked to national Key performance indicators across all 4 teams within the OASY Service and the plans. The Head of Service has coordinated the report which has then been approved by the OASY Board in July 2021.

3. Options considered and recommended proposal

- 3.1 The attached report is for consideration and review by Corporate Parenting Panel, with the option to seek further clarity on the progress for Rotherham Children subject to an Adoption plan.

4. Consultation on proposal

- 4.1 Not applicable

5. Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision

- 5.1 A Not applicable

6. Financial and Procurement Advice and Implications (to be written by the relevant Head of Finance and the Head of Procurement on behalf of s151 Officer)

- 6.1 There are no direct financial implications to this report. The relevant Service Director and Budget Holder will identify any implications arising from associated improvement actions and Members and Commissioners will be consulted where appropriate.

7. Legal Advice and Implications (to be written by Legal Officer on behalf of Assistant Director Legal Services)

- 7.1 There are no legal implications to this report.

8. Human Resources Advice and Implications

8.1 There are no direct human resource implications to this report. The relevant Service Director and Managers will identify any implications arising from associated improvement actions and Members and Commissioners will be consulted where appropriate.

9. Implications for Children and Young People and Vulnerable Adults

9.1 The OASY performance report relates to services and outcomes for children in care subject to an Adoption plan.

10. Equalities and Human Rights Advice and Implications

10.1 There are no direct implications from this report.

11. Implications for CO₂ Emissions and Climate Change

11.1 There are no direct implications within this report.

12. Implications for Partners

12.1 The Partners and other directorates are engaged in improving the performance and quality of services to children, young people, and their families via the Rotherham Safeguarding Children's Partnership (RSCP). The RSCP Performance and Quality Assurance Subgroup receive this performance report within the wider social care performance report on a regular basis.

13. Risks and Mitigation

13.1 The move to a Regional Adoption Agency holds inherent risk around losing pace and sight of adoption outcomes for Rotherham. Having regular performance reporting supports maximising visibility of outcomes and ensuring that Rotherham continues to active positive outcomes for those children on an adoption pathway.

14. Accountable Officer(s)

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