

# Corporate Parenting Partnership Board Annual Report 2025

Improving Lives Select Commission – 28  
April 2026

# Purpose of the Report

- This is the first annual report of the Corporate Parenting Partnership Board
- The purpose is to demonstrate and evidence how the partnership deliver on their Corporate Parenting duties
- Focus on Children in Care and Care Leavers
- Highlights progress in 2025 and priorities for 2026

# What is Corporate Parenting?

- Legal duty under Children and Social Work Act 2017
- Council and partners must act as the best possible parent
- Promotes stability, wellbeing and life chances
- Supports transition to independent adulthood

# Key Achievements in 2025

- Redesign of the Corporate Parenting Partnership Board
- Stronger corporate ownership and governance
- Regular senior officer and member engagement
- Unwavering commitment to hearing the voice of children and young people

# Ofsted Inspection – November 2025

- Overall judgement: Outstanding
- Strong and embedded commitment to corporate parenting
- Young people actively hold leaders to account

# Priorities for 2026

- Improve Pathway Plans for Care Leavers
- Ensure access to Health Passports
- Continue to improve local placement sufficiency