

The CABINET reports and recommends as follows:-

1. Proposed changes to the membership of Sunderland's Corporate Parenting Board

That they have given consideration to a report of the Executive Director of Children's Services to seek agreement to changes to the membership of the Corporate Parenting Board following its recent review, commissioned in September 2012.

The review recommended that the make-up of the Corporate Parenting Board be amended to comprise two members of Scrutiny Committee and a representative from each of the five People Boards, as well as the Lead Member and Policy Lead for Children's Services. This would actively promote Corporate Parenting responsibilities of Elected Members across the Council. The review also recommended that all other Elected Members should be invited as participant observers to the Corporate Parenting Board, as all Members have corporate parenting responsibilities.

Accordingly the Cabinet recommends the Council to approve the revised membership of the Corporate Parenting Board detailed above.