Appendix 1: Terms of Reference – Corporate Parenting Group

1. Purpose of the Group

To ensure that the Council fulfils its role as corporate parent to its looked after children, young people and care leavers and that Members, partner agencies, officers and the children in care council work together to provide a coordinated, holistic approach to service delivery and development

2. Tasks

- 2.1 To oversee the development of the Corporate Parenting Strategy and to monitor the implementation of the action plan to ensure continuous service improvement
- 2.2 To promote the participation, engagement and influence of looked after children, young people and care leavers in the services which affect them
- 2.3 To ensure that the Council's foster carers are involved and engaged with strategic and operational developments
- 2.4 To make sure that all constituent services prioritise the well-being of looked after children, young people and care leavers and work together to remove barriers to success and to promote positive outcomes
- 2.5 To receive and challenge reports on the progress and achievement of looked after children, young people and care leavers

3. Membership

3.1 Membership list:

Organisation/ Department	Designation	
Enfield Council	Lead Member for Education, Children's Services & Protection Shadow Cabinet Member for Children's Services 2 x additional Councillors	
Children's Services	Director of Children's Services (Interim) Asst Director for Children's Social Care (Interim) Head of Service for Looked After Children Head of Virtual School & HEART Team Manager Designated Nurse Service Manager Leaving Care/LAC	

KRATOS	Chair of Kratos
Members	Deputy Chair of Kratos
Education	Chief Education Officer (Interim)
Services	
Health Services	Head of Children's Health Commissioning
Safeguarding	Head of Safeguarding
Enfield Foster	FCA Chairperson
Care Association	
Cheviots	Head of Service/
Children's	Service Manager
Disability Service	
Youth Services	Deputy Head of Youth Support Service
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	Participation Team Manager
	Targeted Youth Engagement Worker
Local FE college	College of Haringey and North East London
Housing	Housing Options and Advice
Representatives	
	Health, Housing & Adult Social Care

- 3.2 The Group shall have the power to co-opt other members as appropriate.
- 3.3 Each member of the Group can nominate a deputy who will attend in their absence, if appropriate and subject to the agreement of the Chair.

4. Meetings

- 4.1 The Group shall meet at least 4 times a year with additional meetings to be arranged as agreed by Members.
- 4.2 The group will be chaired by the Lead Member for Education, Children's Services & Protection; and deputised by another councillor chosen at the meeting, should the chair not be present.
- 4.3 Administrative support will be provided by the Department of Children's Services to complete the following.
 - Co-ordination of agenda preparation
 - Support the convening of meetings
 - Circulation of agendas and papers prior to meeting
 - Monitoring and progressing actions agreed by the Group

5. Scrutiny

5.1 The activities of the Corporate Parenting Group will be subject to scrutiny by the relevant scrutiny committee.

6. Review

These terms of reference will be reviewed annually.