

Notice of Corporate Parenting Board

Date: Monday, 29 September 2025 at 5.00 pm

Venue: HMS Phoebe, BCP Civic Centre, Bournemouth BH2 6DY



Membership:

Chairman:

Cllr R Burton

Vice Chairman:

Cllr C Adams

Cllr S Mackrow
Cllr A-M Moriarty
Cathi Hadley
Juliette Blake
Shan Searle

Louise Harris-Smith
Kelly Deane
Nicola Cannings
Representative
Insight Representative

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Unite Representative
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All Members of the Corporate Parenting Board are summoned to attend this meeting to consider the items of business set out on the agenda below.

If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: Claire Johnston - 01202 123663 or email claire.johnston@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Press enquiries should be directed to the Press Office: Tel: 01202 454668 or email press.office@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

This notice is available at democracy.bcpCouncil.gov.uk

Please note that due to the sensitive nature of information being considered by this Board this meeting is not open to the public.

AIDAN DUNN
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

15 September 2025

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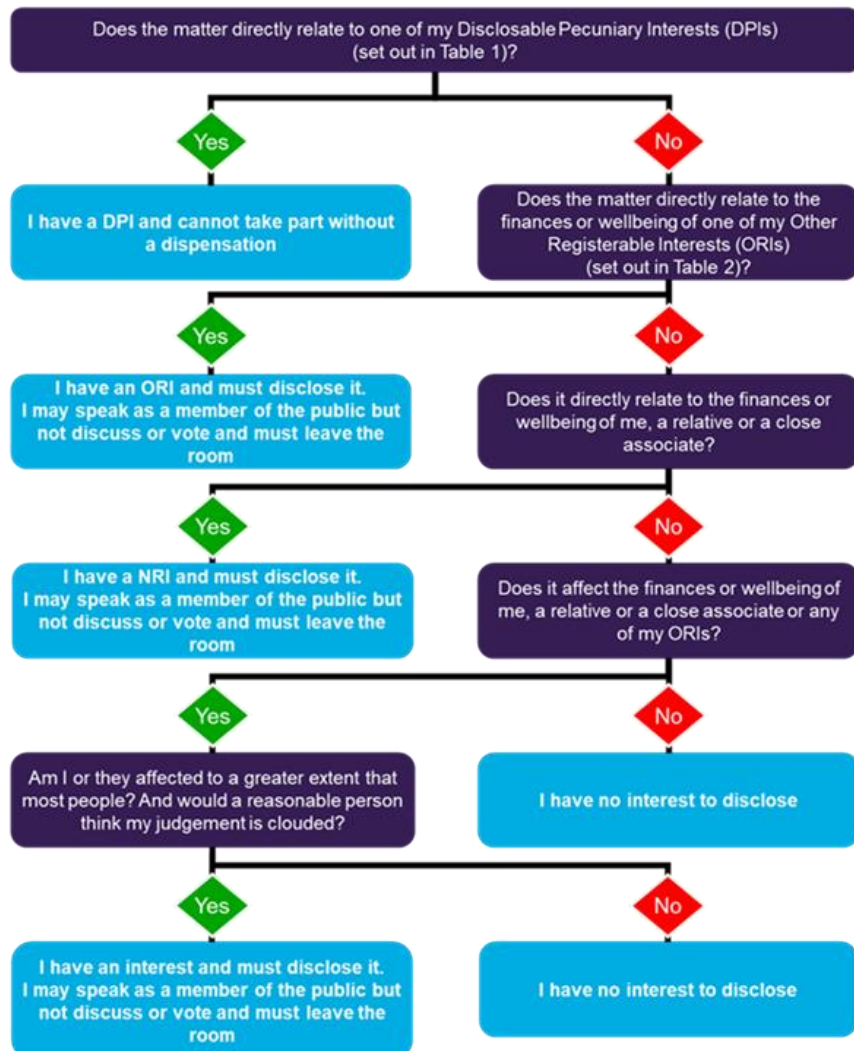


Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

Declaring interests at meetings

Familiarise yourself with the Councillor Code of Conduct which can be found in Part 6 of the Council's Constitution.

Before the meeting, read the agenda and reports to see if the matters to be discussed at the meeting concern your interests



What are the principles of bias and pre-determination and how do they affect my participation in the meeting?

Bias and predetermination are common law concepts. If they affect you, your participation in the meeting may call into question the decision arrived at on the item.

Bias Test

In all the circumstances, would it lead a fair minded and informed observer to conclude that there was a real possibility or a real danger that the decision maker was biased?

Predetermination Test

At the time of making the decision, did the decision maker have a closed mind?

If a councillor appears to be biased or to have predetermined their decision, they must NOT participate in the meeting.

For more information or advice please contact the Monitoring Officer

Selflessness

Councillors should act solely in terms of the public interest

Integrity

Councillors must avoid placing themselves under any obligation to people or organisations that might try inappropriately to influence them in their work. They should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, or their friends. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships

Objectivity

Councillors must act and take decisions impartially, fairly and on merit, using the best evidence and without discrimination or bias

Accountability

Councillors are accountable to the public for their decisions and actions and must submit themselves to the scrutiny necessary to ensure this

Openness

Councillors should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for so doing

Honesty & Integrity

Councillors should act with honesty and integrity and should not place themselves in situations where their honesty and integrity may be questioned

Leadership

Councillors should exhibit these principles in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs

AGENDA

1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence for the meeting.

2. Substitute Members

To receive information on any changes in the membership of the Committee.

Note – When a member of a Committee is unable to attend a meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee, the relevant Political Group Leader (or their nominated representative) may, by notice to the Monitoring Officer (or their nominated representative) prior to the meeting, appoint a substitute member from within the same Political Group. The contact details on the front of this agenda should be used for notifications.

3. Election of Vice-Chair for the 2025-26 Municipal Year

4. Declarations of Interests

Councillors are requested to declare any interests on items included in this agenda. Please refer to the workflow on the preceding page for guidance.

Declarations received will be reported at the meeting.

Any other members of the Board may declare an interest for the purpose of transparency.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

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To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting held on 16 June 2025.

6. Young Person Introductions

To welcome all Board members to the meeting.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

7. Independent Reviewing Service (IRS) Annual Report 24/25 and summary

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The IRO annual report sets out information in respect of BCPs Children in Care and the performance of the IRO Service. The report includes our response to the question asked by members of the board, regarding the Bright Spots report. A highlight summary is also available.

8. Fostering Annual Report 2024/2025

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The Fostering Services Regulations 2011 and National Minimum Standards require all Fostering Services to provide an annual report of their activities and set out the aims and objectives of the service and the facilities they provide. The summary gives a short overview of service progression and

areas for development going forward.

9. Forward Plan

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To consider and amend the Board's Forward Plan as appropriate.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The following items are for information for Corporate Parenting Board members. There will not be time allocated at the meeting for discussion of these items unless notification is received in advance of the meeting of questions or comments. These should be sent to democratic.services@bcpcouncil.gov.uk by Wednesday 24 September 2025.

10. Children in Care/Care Experienced Young People Data and Analysis Report

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Quarterly updating performance data summary for children in Care and Care Experienced young people open to BCP Council.

11. Children's Services Compliments and Complaints Annual Report 2024-25

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To provide an update on the compliments, complaints and representations made to BCP Council about Children's Services during 2024-25.

12. Future Meeting Dates

The Board is asked to note the future dates arranged for meetings of the Board as follows:

- Monday 15 December 2025 – 5.00pm - 7.00pm
- Monday 16 March 2026 – 5.00pm - 7.00pm
- Monday 22 June 2026 – 5.00pm - 7.00pm
- Monday 28 January 2027 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm

No other items of business can be considered unless the Chairman decides the matter is urgent for reasons that must be specified and recorded in the Minutes.