

Name of meeting:Corporate Parenting BoardDate:24th October 2019Title of report:Annual Report for Compliments and Complaints

Purpose of report: To inform the Board of services delivered by the Compliments and Complaints Unit during the period of 01 April 2019 to 30September 2019

| Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards? | Not Applicable |
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| Key Decision - Is it in the <u>Council's Forward Plan</u> (key decisions and private reports)? | Not Applicable |
| The Decision - Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny? | Not Applicable |
| Date signed off by <u>Strategic Director</u> & name | Elaine McShane (for Mel Meggs) – 14.10.19 |
| Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Finance IT and Transactional Services? | Not applicable |
| Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal Governance and Commissioning Support? | Not applicable |
| Cabinet member portfolio | Cllr Viv Kendrick (Children's) |

Electoral wards affected: None

Ward councillors consulted: None

Public or private: Public

Has GDPR been considered? Yes

1. Summary

This is the 2018/2019 Statutory Annual Compliments, Representations and Complaints report for Kirklees Children and Young People Service. Under the Children's Act 1989, the provision of an annual complaints report is a statutory requirement. Each financial year, the Local Authority must publish the Childrens Act Complaints Annual Report (under regulation 13(3) of the Childrens Act.

The report has been shared with management of Children's Social Care and is required to be shared with the Corporate Parenting Board. It will be published on the intranet and is available to the general public under Freedom of Information.

2. Information required to take a decision

No decision is required.

3. Implications for the Council

• Working with People

Not applicable

• Working with Partners

Not applicable

• Place Based Working

Not applicable

• Improving outcomes for children

The Complaints Procedure informs learning from responses to complaints. This informs service developments and ensures that the voice of the child is heard and the child's right to complain is adhered to.

• Other (eg Legal/Financial or Human Resources)

Not applicable

4. Consultees and their opinions

Not applicable

5. Next steps and timelines

The Annual report will be posted on the intranet.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

That the report be received and noted by the Corporate Parenting Board as per Section 13 of The Children Act 1989 Representations Procedure (England) Regulations 2006.

7. Cabinet Portfolio Holder's recommendations

Not applicable

8. Contact officer

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9. Background Papers and History of Decisions

Not applicable

10. Service Director responsible

Elaine McShane, Service Director (Family Support and Child Protection)