

**MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL
CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD**



Report of:	Kathy Peacock - Participation People
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Submitted to:	Corporate Parenting Board- 30.3.22
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Subject:	Your Voice and Influence
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Contribution to the guiding principles of the Corporate Parenting Strategy
Your Home
Your Family and Friends
Your Education
Your Adult Life
Your Health and wellbeing
Your Voice and Influence - Yes

Is the report confidential or does it contain exempt information?

No

What is the purpose of this report?

To update the Corporate Parents on Youth Voice activities that have taken place and being proposed.

Report Background

Please refer to Appendix 1

Appendices

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Recommendations

Information only

Why is this being recommended?

N/A

Other potential decisions and why these have not been recommended

N/A

Impact(s) of recommended decision(s)

N/A

Legal

N/A

Financial

N/A

Policy Framework

N/A

Equality and Diversity

N/A

Risk

N/A

Actions to be taken to implement the decision(s)

N/A

Background papers

Body	Report title	Date
Corporate Parenting Board	Participation Youth Voice Update	15.2.2022

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Middlesbrough Participation

#YouthVoice Update

March 2022

Participation People facilitate open, safe, and inclusive spaces with these #YouthVoice weekly forums. Each group co-creates fun and engaging opportunities for their peers and decision-makers (like you!) to get involved in service improvement activities, campaigns and events.



Middlesbrough Children in Care Council - a group for care experienced young people between the ages of 10-17 years



Middlesbrough Care Leavers Forum - a group for care experienced young adults between the ages of 18 -25 years



#YouthVoice Update

March 2022



Children In Care Council (currently six members) has

- Designed, delivered a celebration/fun event - 24th February. Six young people attended. We got to know each other, played games and a music tutor delivered a session and they got to write and sing their own song.
- Worked on what they want when they get a new social worker.
- Working on what they need to reach their education, training and employment goals.
- Worked on what questions should be included within the 'Your Voice' Survey.
- Three members of the group went on a Participation People organised residential to Doncaster, joining young people from Hounslow, Wandsworth and Greenwich. Everyone had an amazing time, made new friends, learnt new skills and heard about the great things all the areas are working on.
- Had a virtual meeting with the Children's Commissioner Office to help them understand what care experienced young people want from their 'Help at Hand' website.
- Wrote some questions to ask Corporate Parents.
- Designing a fun engagement event that will take place in April.

#YouthVoice Update

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Care Leavers Forum (Currently five members)

- All members came to Care Leavers Celebration event on the 23rd February.
- Worked on what they want when they get a new social worker.
- Working on what they need to reach their education, training and employment goals.
- Worked on what questions should be included within the 'Your Voice' Survey.
- Had a meeting with the Corporate Parents telling them their life story of growing up in Middlesbrough.
- Had a virtual meeting with the Children's Commissioner Office to help them understand what care experienced young people want from their 'Help at Hand' website.
- Wrote some questions to put to Corporate Parents.
- Delivered a session during Social Work Practice week on 'Language that Cares.'

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The Participation People team have:-

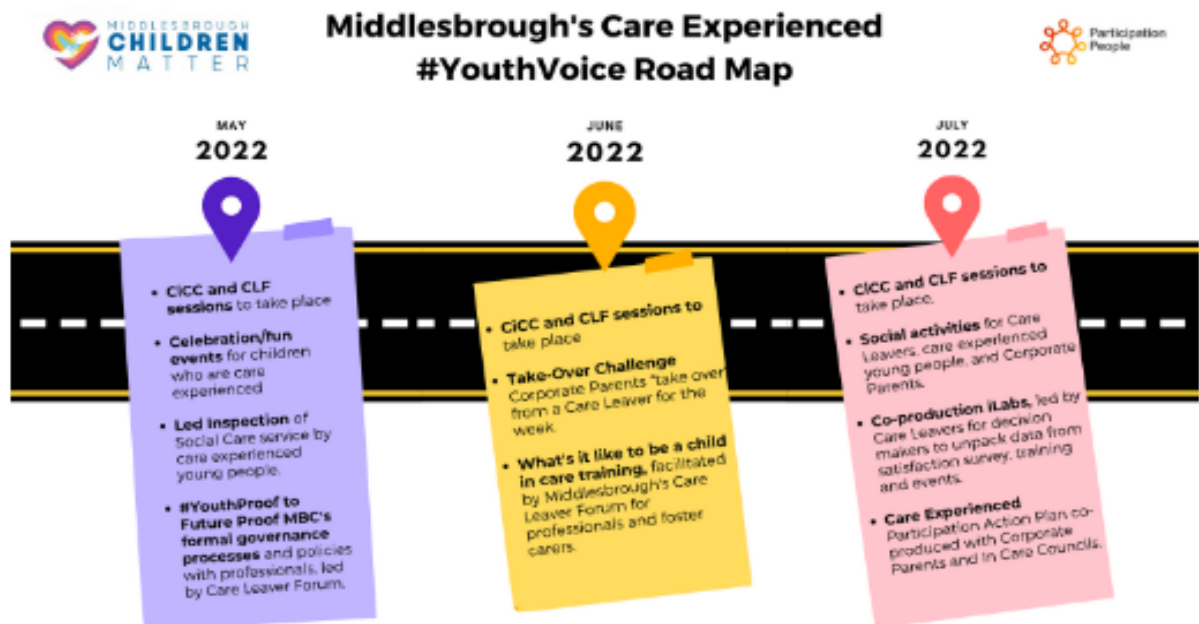
- Regular weekly meetings with the CiCC and CLF
- Attended the Designated Teacher Conference, ran a workshop on Neuro Diversity and had a stall at the Market place to promote participation
- Co delivered the Care Leavers Celebration event, promoting the Care Leavers Forum throughout
- Designed and ran a session to all delegates at the Parent's 4 Change Conference on Co-Production
- Co produced and will deliver sessions at the SEND Youth Voice Conference 21 - 23rd March
- Met with the Foster Care Association to discuss collaborating to put on fun engagement events throughout the year
- Used the information gained from the CiCC and CLF and created the 'Your Voice Survey - Now LIVE



<https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/9bdd3e56cb1f4909a30847361a3915de>

Our 2022 Plan

Below is a brief snapshot of everything we have planned for your care experienced youth voice forums 2022...



Your Middlesbrough #YouthVoice Team

We have an amazing team of professionals who facilitate these groups and ensure young people are having FUN!

Participation People- Who are we?

Our Middlesbrough Team

 Antonia - CEO	 Hannah - Programme Manager	 Laurie Youth Council and Young Champions Lead	 Fred Support Youth Council (Contractor)
 Xavier - In Care Councils	 Kathy - In Care Councils	 Ed - Young Researcher Lead	 Alice - Young Researcher Lead

CONTACT

Contact HannahW@participationpeople.com ...for more information on Middlesbrough's #YouthVoice activities, campaigns, projects, and events. We would LOVE to hear from you!



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