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**Meeting:** Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee  
**Date:** 6 September 2011  
**Subject:** Allowances for Foster Parents  
**Report of:** Cllr Mark Versallion, Executive Member for Children's Services  
**Summary:** Attached at Appendix A is a draft Executive Report on the payment of allowances for foster parents. The Committee is asked to note the comments of the Corporate Parenting Panel and to make comment on the report.

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**Public/Exempt:** Public  
**Function of:** Council

## **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

### **Council Priorities:**

The Report supports Priority 2 of Central Bedfordshire's Strategic Plan 2009-2011, Educating, Protecting and Providing Opportunities for Children and Young People. The report also supports the delivery of the Children and Young People's Plan Priority 2, Protecting children and keeping them safe.

### **Financial:**

The provision of services is funded through core budgets. This recommendation would bring an in year pressure of £59,656 within this needs led budget. This will be reported in monthly financial statements.

### **Legal:**

The legal framework is set out in the draft report.

### **Risk Management:**

Risk management is set out in the report.

### **Staffing (including Trades Unions):**

None.

### **Equalities/Human Rights:**

Adherence to Human Rights and Equality issues is maintained.

### **Community Safety:**

There are no new community safety issues arising from the Report.

**Sustainability:**

There are no new sustainability implications arising from the Report.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**that the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to note the comments of the Corporate Parenting Panel and to make comment on the report**