Meeting: Corporate Parenting Panel.

**Date:** 5 March 2012

Subject: Looked After Children Placement Strategy

Report of: Cllr Mark Versallion, Executive Member for Children's Services

**Summary:** Attached at Appendix A is the Looked After Children Placement Strategy

2011 – 2013. The Committee is asked to comment on the report.

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Public/Exempt: Public
Function of: Council

#### **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Council Priorities:**

The reports support Priority 2 of the Central Bedfordshire's Strategic Plan 2009-11: Educating, protecting and providing opportunities for children and young people. The reports also support priority 2 of the Children and Young People's Plan 2011-2014: Protecting children and keeping them safe.

### Financial:

1. There are no financial implications for the Council.

#### Legal:

2. The Council has a duty to safeguarding and promote the welfare of the children it looks after.

### **Risk Management:**

3. Regulatory Risks: Failure to report to Members would be a breach of National Guidance.

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

4. Not applicable.

# **Equalities/Human Rights:**

5. There are no implications for the Council

# **Community Safety:**

6. Not applicable.

# Sustainability:

7. Not applicable.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

that the Corporate Parenting Panel comment on the content of the report.

## Appendices:

Appendix A - Looked After Children Placement Strategy 2011 – 2013

Background Papers: None.