

Full Council actions (excluding Motions) – 8 November 2023

	Topic	Action	Responsibility	Progress
1.	Announcements	On behalf of Council, for the Chair to write to retiring intentional rugby referee Wayne Barnes.	Cllr Vernon Smith Democratic Services	Letter sent 16/11/2023
2.	Public Question 17 Izaak Tailford	Offer made to the Questioner to share the contact details for the resident he spoke of in order for officers to make contact and help to address the issues raised.	Cllr Mark Hawthorne Colin Chick	The parking team have not received any contact from the questioner.
3.	Public Question 21 Izaak Tailford	Offer made to the Questioner to email the Leader with any safety issues identified which would be passed on to the relevant officers.	Cllr Mark Hawthorne Colin Chick	The parking team manager has not received any further information from Cllr Tailford.
4.	Corporate Parenting Cllr Rebecca Halifax	To arrange a meeting with Cllr Halifax to discuss what can be done about the number of children in care who are not accessing education or higher education.	Cllr Stephen Davies Ann James	A meeting is being arranged for relevant officers and councillors. It is worth noting that an analysis of current performance has been undertaken and a plan developed with the aim of supporting more of our care experienced young people to succeed in education, training, and employment. Councillor Halifax will be briefed in detail and the Councillor Davies corporate parenting reports to full council meetings will update on progress.

5.	<p>Corporate Parenting</p> <p>Cllr Joe Harris</p>	<p>To look into the Care Leavers Covenant raised by Cllr Harris.</p>	<p>Cllr Stephen Davies</p> <p>Ann James</p>	<p>The care leaver covenant is national initiative to provide a platform for the private, voluntary, and public sectors to promote the support and opportunities they are able to provide to care leavers. Gloucestershire is signed up to the covenant and the details are shared with our care leavers individually, and via our published local offer.</p> <p>Gloucestershire is not listed as a partner on the Covenant website. Officers have contacted the Covenant website to explore this further. Any change of status will be reported to Cllr Harris and full council.</p> <p>The Covenant itself can appear London-centric but is developing more content which is relevant to care leavers in Gloucestershire; for example, a recent offer is 50% gym membership discount at all Pure Gyms.</p> <p>Events promoted by the Care Leaver Covenant are attended by managers within our Children in Care and Care Leavers service, and we are currently considering advertising the Gloucestershire local offer on the national website.</p> <p>Please see the link below for more detail.</p> <p>Care Leavers Wanted - Care Leaver Covenant (mycovenant.org.uk)</p> <p>Our Local Offer for Care Leavers is reviewed and updated on an annual basis and from 2024 will be augmented by a regional core offer for care leavers. That offer aims to ensure that young people can rely on an offer from their corporate parent (council) family no matter where they live, something that has not previously been the case.</p>
6.	<p>Corporate Parenting</p> <p>Cllr Paul Baker</p>	<p>To provide more detail on the figures around the number of children in care being reported missing to Cllr Baker.</p>	<p>Cllr Stephen Davies</p> <p>Ann James</p>	<p>As reported, 10% of children in care were reported missing in the last 12 months, this is better than target and the peer comparator average (10.1% Mar-22).</p> <p>This may be broken down as follows:</p>

Month	Number of Missing Individuals	Number of Missing Episodes	Percentage of Missing Episodes with a RI within 72 hours	Percentage of Missing Episodes with an RI within 5 Working Days
Nov 22	27	53	74.4%	95.3%
Oct 22	33	64	57.4%	90.7%
Dec 22	20	38	65.5%	96.6%
Jan 23	29	47	62.5%	92.5%
Feb 23	23	39	72.7%	93.9%
Mar 23	21	38	78.1%	84.4%
April 23	27	41	54.5%	75.8%
May 23	28	43	68.6%	97.1%
June 23	30	56	52.4%	90.5%
July 23	27	47	39.0%	82.9%
Aug 23	20	48	67.4%	93.5%
Sept 23	23	46	54.1%	81.1%

The support for young people who go missing in Gloucestershire is met through the partnership via the specialist missing team within the Youth Support Team (YST), Children's Social Care and the Police.

Return Interviews (RIs) are required following a missing episode. These are visits undertaken by social workers to children to understand the reasons for the missing episode. These are expected to be completed within 72 hours. In September 2023, 64% were completed within that timescale, jumping up to 93% completed within 5 working days during the same period.

To improve performance and children's experiences, we have implemented an initiative creating Missing Champions in each of the social care teams. Their role is to oversee practice and support practitioners and any new social workers who are not familiar with the system. They also receive a weekly missing compliance report to

				ensure they have the information they need to locate the areas where support should be focused. This has proved to be successful in specific areas of social care, and we are confident that with robust on-going support for champions this should spread across all areas.
7.	Corporate Parenting Cllr Steve Robinson	To find out who is working with Stroud's targeted young people due to the current employee being on long term sick and to feedback to Cllr Robinson.	Cllr Stephen Davies Ann James	<p>The council's Youth Support Service is delivered by Prospects (Shaw Trust) and provides targeted support to young people. In the Stroud area, this is delivered from their base at Ryeleaze Road.</p> <p>The following activities are currently offered and available to young people:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work it out programme one day a week (re-engagement into ETE group) • A NEET worker based there (part-time) • One to one sessions take place for substance misuse, NEET, exploitation, YJ, functional skills etc. • Youth work groups take place a once a week, increasing to three days a week. The Door & Gloucestershire Young Carers group also offer session from this location. • Referral Order panel meetings • Healthy holiday activities in the holidays. • The Duke of Edinburgh award for YP that are elective home educated, or NEET. • The "Something Fabulous" LGBTQI+ group is currently paused due to small numbers referred.
8.	Corporate Parenting Cllr Steve Robinson	To update Cllr Robinson with the date that the youth services tender will be started.	Cllr Stephen Davies Ann James	<p>Details of the Youth Service Procurement timetable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • w/c 27th November 23 - launch of the invitation to tender. • January 24 - tender closes. • March 24 - evaluation, moderation, and tender presentations – resulting in the provisional contract awards. • April – June 24 - mobilisation period. • 1st July 2024 - go live of the new Youth Support Service.
9.	Member Question	To meet with Cllr Drew	Cllr Philip	A meeting is being established to include the relevant officers.

	1, 2 & 7 Cllr David Drew	and discuss the specific issues he thinks should be addressed with the Secretary of State for Education.	Robinson Ann James	
10	Member Question 10 Cllr John Bloxsom	To report back to Cllr Bloxsom whether the parking restrictions for Ebley could be implemented sooner.	Cllr Dom Morris Colin Chick	Unfortunately, due to the unpredictable weather at this time of year and the highway contractor's programme of works, we cannot guarantee an earlier date of implementation, however, we will endeavour to get the lines on the ground as soon as possible.
11	Member Question 13 Cllr Chris McFarling	To report back to Cllr McFarling on whether GCC were working with academy schools to stress test their buildings against climate change impacts.	Cllr David Gray Colin Chick/Ann James	Academy Trusts are responsible for the maintenance of school buildings within their trusts, and many will draw on their own expertise and experience in this area. However, GCC does offer Property Care service back to academies on a traded basis, and where that is the case, will provide them with advice. The range of services provided to academies is available on the GCCPlus website via the following link: https://www.businesssupportservices.org/Services/1031
12	Member Question 16 & 17 Cllr Jeremy Hilton	To confirm whether the Kingsholm parking permit would be increased in the next financial year.	Cllr Dom Morris Colin Chick	It is stated in the MTFs agreed last year that the proposed 2024/25 Budget assumes that fees and charges will be increased by 3% and any subsidies removed.
13	Member Question 33 Cllr Roger Whyborn	To confirm how many schools were within Civil Enforcement and how many officer visits were performed over the last twelve months	Cllr Dom Morris Colin Chick	The parking team has asked for our contractor NSL to provide this information. We will share this with Cllr Whyborn as soon as it is ready.

		to these schools.		
14	Member Question 39 Cllr David Brown	To confirm the publication date of the revised BSIP when possible.	Cllr Philip Robinson Colin Chick	Officers are working towards publication of the revised BSIP in spring/early summer 2024, subject to Cabinet approval.