

**Extract of Executive Board Minutes relevant to the Children, Young People and Families Policy and Performance Board**

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**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HELD ON 13 JUNE 2024**

<b>EXB6</b>	<b>FOSTERING &amp; SGO CARERS UPLIFT FROM 22/23 &amp; 23/24</b>
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The Board considered a report of the Executive Director, Children's Services, which advised on an uplift in payments to Foster Carers and Special Guardianship Order (SGO) Carers for 2022/23 and 2023/24. The request is for:

- all SGO Carers to be paid an uplift of 1% from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023; and
- all Foster Carers and SGO Carers to be provided with an uplift of 2% to be backdated to 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024.

RESOLVED: That the uplift in payments to Foster Carers and Special Guardianship Order (SGO) Carers for 2022/23 and 2023/24, as outlined in the report be approved.

<b>EXB7</b>	<b>SERVICES FOR MISSING FROM HOME AND CARE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS CHESHIRE FOR HALTON, CHESHIRE WEST &amp; CHESTER AND WARRINGTON: REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF STANDING ORDERS</b>
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The Board considered a report of the Executive Director, Children's Services, which sought approval for a waiver in compliance with Procurement Standing Order 1.14.4 iv of part 3.1 and 3.2 of Procurement Standing Orders, to allow the continuation of a contract with 'We are With You' to deliver on behalf of the Council, the Tri-Party Missing from Home and Care Service, for a period of one year from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.

We are With You have been commissioned to deliver the PAN Cheshire Missing from Home and Care Service, since July 2018. The Service operated across Halton, Warrington and Cheshire West and Chester, and the contract was due to end on 30 June 2024. The reasons for the proposed one year contract extension to 30 June 2025 were set out in the report and the three local authorities had agreed to continue with a joint commissioning approach with Halton acting as the lead.

RESOLVED: That approval be given for a waiver in compliance with Procurement Standing Order 1.14.4 iv of part 3.1 and 3.2 of Procurement Standing Orders to allow the continuation of a contract with We are With You to deliver on behalf of the Council, the Tri-Party Missing from Home and Care Service, for a period of one year from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.