

**Report to:** Corporate Parenting Panel  
**Date of meeting:** Friday 28 July 2017  
**By:** Director of Children's Services  
**Title:** Independent Reviewing Officer (IRO) Annual Report 2016/17  
**Purpose:** To update the Corporate Parenting Panel on the contribution of Independent Reviewing Officers to Quality Assuring and Improving Services for Looked After Children

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***RECOMMENDATION:***

The Corporate Parenting Panel is recommended to comment on and note the contents of the report.

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**1 Background**

1.1 This Annual IRO report provides quantitative and qualitative evidence relating to the IRO Services in East Sussex as required by statutory guidance.

**2 Supporting information**

2.1 The report is attached as Appendix 1.

**3. Recommendations**

3.1 The Corporate Parenting Panel is recommended to note the contents of the report.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 – Annual Independent Reviewing Officer Report

Background documents

None