

# DECISION NOTICE

Notice is given that the following decision has been taken under the Provisions set out in the Council's Constitution

<b>Decision maker:</b>	Cabinet Member for Children and Family Services
<b>Date:</b>	20 May 2013
<b>Decision in the matter of:</b>	Foster Carer Capacity Scheme Policy
<b>Decision:</b>	That Officers be authorised to take all necessary actions to implement the Foster Carer Capacity Scheme Policy Set out in Appendix 1 of the report.
<b>Background:</b>	This policy will support the local authority's requirement to provide sufficient and suitable accommodation to promote the best interests of cared for children. It will enable a number of skilled and able foster carers to extend the number of places they are able to offer or to maintain existing placements or offer additional placements whilst complying with national statutory requirements. It is expected to provide longer term cost savings to the Council. This policy has been endorsed by Scrutiny Committee and is in line with one of its recommendations from the scrutiny of the Fostering Service.
<b>Background Documents:</b>	<p>The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer.</p> <p>Foster care loans</p>
<b>Approved:</b>	Councillor Rachel Bailey (Cabinet Member for Children and Families)
<b>Date:</b>	20 May 2013
<b>Advising Officer:</b>	Gill Betton (Policy and Strategy Manager)