

CSSW Resource panel: Terms of Reference

Terms of Reference:

Camden' CSSW Access to Resource panel is the primary means of obtaining agreement for additional funding for children and families.

- Support packages into families for children on the edge of care
- Assessments in PLO and care proceedings including those with split costs
- All placements and additional support for placements
- Support to enable children to maintain contact with or return home to birth/extended family
- Regular use of taxis to get children to school

The Purpose of the Panel is to ensure:

- All spend on children is purposeful, targeted and offers value for money
- Ensures that alternative options for support have been explored and scrutiny and challenge is provided
- Enables a regular review of any agreed spend

The Scope of the Panel

- All spend over £500 in all teams across CSSW

Membership:

The membership of the Panel includes the following:

Chair Rashida Baig: Director of Children's Safeguarding and Social Work

Deputy Chairs: Michelle O Regan: Head of Service

Caroline Muller: Head of Service CLA

Finance representative: TBC

Panel Administrator: TBC

Meeting Arrangements:

- The panel will meet weekly for 1 hour on a Monday, weekly
- All requests will be completed by the social worker /PA on the request- template (*attached) and provided to the panel administrator 48 hours before the meeting
- The request must be signed off by the SP/TM prior to being submitted
- Presentation at panel can be from TM or SM.

Terms of reference to be reviewed in 6 months.

