

National Assembly for Wales Cross Party Group on Children Affected by Parental Imprisonment (CAPI) – Terms of Reference (Subject to formal adoption)

Vision

The establishment of a National policy, legislative and practice framework ensuring that all children who experience the adversity of a parent in prison are recognised, are heard, and have an equal and fair chance to achieve positive outcomes in their lives.

Terms of Reference

There will be an expectation on those considered group members to contribute to the operation of the group, where ever reasonably possible, in person or by representative. Contributions made by a representative shall be considered as those of the group member unless otherwise specified.

There will be an expectation that whenever possible, group members or representatives will respond to information shared and requests made between scheduled meetings.

Discover – gather information, experiences and research

- Consider information gathered directly from families affected by imprisonment.
- Consider information gathered by specialist service providers.
- Consider information gathered from generic services for CAPI.
- Consider research findings.
- Consider new research priorities.
- Undertake service visits.
- Undertake other visits, e.g. HMP Parc.

Define – describe and highlight the issues

- Bring together the range of issues faced by families with CAPI illustrating the complexity of their needs and the adequacy of current responses.
- Consider the issues in relation to schedule 7.
 - Consider recommendations to Welsh Government
 - What could Welsh Government advocate for?
 - What could Welsh Government deliver?

Disseminate

- Take opportunities for written and oral questions in plenary.
- Take opportunities for short debates.
- Consider influence of future work plans and inquires of NAFW Committees.
- Produce Cross Party Group report including defining the issue and making recommendations to Welsh Government.