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Brighter Futures thanks the Care of Children in Jersey Review Panel for the opportunity to express our views and comments on the proposals put forward by the Council of Ministers.

It is noted that Recommendation 4 highlights the importance of building a sustainable workforce. This must take account of, and include the whole system including the Community and Voluntary sector that provide and deliver a range of services and support to families alongside clear, transparent and effective commissioning of services.

It is noted that Recommendation 2 identifies the importance of giving children and young people a voice. It is vital that this must engage and include those children and young people who are on the margins of society in any respect, usually 'invisible' and hidden in plain sight.

It is noted that in Section 12.3 'Effective Corporate Parenting' does not mention any involvement of families and as outlined in the point above, it is vital that those who are at the edges and margins of society are not overlooked or invisible.

Any strategic plan in response to the review needs to ensure that there is adequate investment to strengthen communities and prioritise the effective engagement of parents and carers in the development of services for families, especially those who are disadvantaged and marginalised.