# York's Guarantee

#### to children and young people in care

#### **Good placements**

We will provide good quality placements with kind carers who will do their very best to get to know you, make you feel comfortable, involve you and listen to your views. When choosing the right placement for you we will involve you whenever we can.

#### **Treated with respect**

We will make sure you are always treated with respect, know about your rights and the things you are entitled to and given this information when you first come into care.

#### Help you keep in touch

We know that keeping in touch with your friends and family is important and so we will support you with this wherever possible. If for any reason this can't happen we will make sure you know why.

#### Have fun together

We will make sure that you have the opportunities to meet with other children and young people in care at groups and activity clubs, for those of you who would like to.

## Help you in school

We will support you in school and help you catch up if you fall behind. We will also make sure you know about support available if you move on to college or university.

### **Reliable social worker**

We will make sure you have a social worker who is reliable, you will be given all the information you need to contact them or a member of their team so that you get a quick response when you need it. If we have to change your social worker we will make sure you know what is happening and try to do this with a proper handover.

# An Independent Reviewing Officer (IRO) you know

We will make sure you know who your Independent Reviewing Officer is and are able to talk to them about how, when and where you want your reviews to take place. You will meet your IRO before you have your review and be able to get in touch with them whenever you need to.

#### Support you until you're an adult

"We will make sure children and young people in our care are at the centre of everything we do."

As you get older we will help you with training, housing, managing your money, and will make sure that you have someone to talk to about the things that are important to you.



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**Cllr Janet Looker** Cabinet Member for Education, Children and Young People



Director of Children's Services, Education and Skills



If the council isn't keeping these promises for you, please contact Speak Up, York Children's Rights and Advocacy Service on 07769725174 or showmethatimatter@york.gov.uk

