

UKfostering Children and Young People's Council

Induction

<u>Agenda</u>

Introducing ourselves.

Ice breaker- what do we enjoy doing most.

Questionnaire.

About the children's council.

Any Questions?

Who we are?

- We are a group of 12 young people aged 12-20, either in care or care leavers.
- We live or have lived in foster care placements within UKFostering.
- We have been elected to be the voice for every child and young person in the care of UKFostering.

- We know what you go through and how you feel because we have been through the same process.
- We understand that every young person's past is a different one.
- We will listen to your story if you want to tell us, and won't judge you on the things you share.
- We don't care where you have been, only where you are going and where you are today and how we can make your future a better one.

What we do

- We work as a team to help improve services for children and young people cared for by UKFostering.
- We listen to the views of children and young people and help make their voices heard.
- We try and influence decisions made for our future.
- We aim to give you every opportunity to be able to live the life you want, making sure that it is as safe and risk free as possible.
- We ask services to think carefully about how they provide you
 with the skills you need to live independently and be able to
 face day to day challenges.

Expectations



• We hope to give all young people involved a platform to bring their own ideas to the table.

• work as a team to make important improvements to our service to all young people.

• We aim to make the experience a fun one.

• We meet up face to face at least a couple of times per year.

Upcoming projects to think about:

- Design a leaflet with information about the children's council for all children and young people in UKfostering (decide on design of leaflet and contents).
- Help update the kids' corner on our website ideally with information that young people can access for help and support.
- Come up with ideas as to how we can make the experience of other young people coming into the care of our carers a very good one from the start.
- Plan summer activities for children and young people in all regions (any ideas?).

The End