

Pledge to children in care

This Pledge is a promise to Children in Care. It will apply to any child or young person looked after by Milton Keynes Council.

Get to know you

We will treat you as an individual, listen to what matters to you, make sure your wishes are heard and taken into account, respect your dignity and recognise your achievements.

Change

If a change has to happen, we will discuss it with you and explain the reasons to you honestly.

Education

We will support and encourage you throughout your education and help you to make good decisions about your future education and employment

Life Story

We will help you compile a life story about the important events, information and people in your life in the best way for you.



Support

We will make sure that you know how to let us know if you are unhappy with something and provide an independent visitor or an advocate (someone to help your voice be heard) to support you in telling us, if you want this.

Contact

Your friends and family and others are important and where we can we will help you to keep in touch with them if you want to.

Placement

We will give you information about your placement before you go there and whenever possible arrange a proper introduction, we will also make sure that you have a suitcase to transport your belongings when needed

Listening to you

We will make sure that you can always speak to your social worker and your independent reviewing officer alone when they visit you, and that you know how to contact them at other times

IT

We will ensure that all children of secondary school age and beyond will have safe access to a computer and internet access outside of school. Younger children will have access to computers in the foster home as appropriate for their age.

Interests

We will make sure that you have the opportunity to take part in leisure, arts and sporting activities and if you have a special interest, such as a sport or music, where reasonable we will help you pursue this interest.

Health

We will make sure you have access to health services and receive support and advice about any issues that you have. If you need help after you are 18 because of any illness or disability, we will discuss your needs with Adult Social Services as early as possible

Independence

We will support you with the transition to independence recognising your existing skills and help you to learn any additional skills you will need to live independently

