

Care and support plans:

Capturing the voice of the child in  
planning for them

# CARE AND SUPPORT PLANS

- The Social Services and Wellbeing Act places a requirement on us to record information and scale issues in certain ways for Looked After Children. the new PART 6 plans seek to include a strength based approach of Signs of Safety whilst also including the important information as set out in the SS&WB Act to create a meaningful plan.

# When does the plan begin .

- It is a statutory requirement for every Looked After Child to have a Part 6 Care and Support plan in place within 10 days of becoming Looked After. These plans need to be updated regularly, including in preparation for a Looked After Review. Prior to a Looked After Review it is also a requirement that the Care and Support Plan needs to be updated and signed off by a manager.

# How is the plan reviewed

the role of the independent reviewing officer is to review the plan for the child within the looked After children Review. The difference with this plan is that it is child friend and incorporates signs of safety within the body of the plan to ensure the service delivery of a strength based approach

# What do we aim to achieve

- to capture the needs of the child and young person how we meet them and what they think
- To embed in strength based practice that looks to empower children young people and their significant care givers within the LAC Process
- To further support signs of safety in the planning and decision making for children