



FAMILY MEETINGS

“Empowering families to stay together”

It is a fundamental human right of every child to be raised by their parents, provided it is safe. Where this is not possible, there is strong evidence that children are more likely to thrive within their wider family network than the care system.

The Family Meeting Service aims to reduce the number of children and young people entering care, to reduce the number of

children and young people remaining in care and to safeguard children and young people.

Family Meetings provide a safe environment for your family to develop a family plan that will address the issues and concerns and find solutions to keep your child safe.

A Family Meetings Coordinator will help to arrange a family meeting, support you in discussing your issues and help you to come up with a plan to resolve these issues. They are impartial and make sure all voices are heard including your child or children.

If you require further information please speak to your social worker.



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SUPPORT SERVICES OF WORCESTERSHIRE CHILDREN FIRST

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SUPPORTING FAMILIES FIRST

The Supporting Families First Team work alongside families to help them find their own solutions to improve their relationships. We aim to keep young people together with their families, without the need for the young person to come into local authority care, where it is safe to do so.



ETHOS OF THE SERVICE

We value family life – some young people will need to come into care to keep them safe. Where we can prevent that, we should. Sometimes families need support to tackle some of the challenges that get in the way of families being able to stay together.

HOW DO WE DO THIS?

We work with young people, parents/guardians, foster families, adoptive families and extended family members with a shared goal to listen, support and improve outcomes. Workers will also consider the engagement in the community and role of partner agencies to help support families.

The team works collaboratively to provide families with a wide range of specialist support types in a joined up way - Within the team we have specialist support workers who can provide support around money management, substance/alcohol misuse, emotional health and well-being and positive activities for young people.



The Supporting Families First team predominately works with young people aged 11-18, and their families, who already have an allocated Social Worker, for up to 12 weeks with review meetings along the way. Social workers can refer into the service. We work collaboratively with the social worker and other services to build solutions within the family.

The workers will book in sessions to build on conversations about what families do well and how they want things to be better and different. Finding out what works well in the family and using existing strengths to help them find their own solutions.

"LOREM IPSUM DOLOR SIT AMET, CONSECTETUR ADIPISCING ELIT. PELLENESQUE ELIT TORTOR, BLANDIT NON PRETIUM EU, ORNARE UT SEM. NULLA FRINGILLA QUAM NON SEM LOBORTIS CONDIMENTUM. PRAESENT ARCU FELIS, FRINGILLA IN ENIM EGET, FRINGILLA SEMPER IPSUM. ETIAM SIT AMET AUGUE PHARETRA, FEUGIAT NIBH EU, SEMPER ELIT. MAECENAS CONSEQUAT LACUS IN EUISMOD COMMODO. CRAS LACINIA VEHICULA LOBORTIS. INTEGER NON ARCU FACILIS, ULLAMCORPER LOREM UT, SOLLICITUDIN TELLUS."

OUTREACH

The Outreach Team cover the whole of Worcestershire working 365 days a year and cover evenings, weekends and bank holidays. We provide transitional support to young people who are Looked After, S17 (living in supported living) or subject to judgement rulings, Southwark.

This includes providing support to young people who are living or about to live independently. We support young people to develop independence skills and make successful transitions into adulthood. We can provide assessments and review independent support needed. This support is intense, and each plan of support is individual to the needs of the child or young person. This work is usually long term. The team complete a qualification in Independent living. This is a recognised qualification called ASDAN

SPECIALIST FAMILY SUPPORT WORKERS

Specialist family support workers work with children and young people and their families that are in crisis and require a dedicated and specific package of support. Their goal is to help families make significant, positive changes that can reduce risks for children. This is done by building on each families strengths and introduce coping strategies.

The team are very experienced and trained workers who are used to working with families in a crisis. You will be allocated a named worker to support your family.

