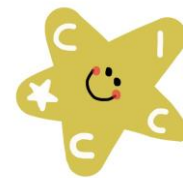




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... **what have we been doing?**



Main CiCC meeting – discussed ‘what CiCC will look like after lockdown and what activities would shall we do’ * world social work day

On-line ‘Get to Know You’ CiCC meetings, with more out of county young people involved

Continuing to build up ‘CiCC Ambassador's programme’ Ambassadors being recruited with Senior Officers and organisations to support them

We continue to meet and recruit new CiCC members and then support them

Two workshops with Oxford Story Museum and Fusion Arts

Family time workshop

CiCC members & Ambassadors done ‘Protective Behaviours’ training with Jo Brown

Continue to be involved in developing new ‘Welcome Packs for Children Coming into Care’

Strong partnership between CiCC & The Attach Team developing to support each other

Linking with other Local Authorities such as Birmingham, Wiltshire, Buckinghamshire and West Sussex

Oxfordshire Kindness Wave and CiCC – blankets and chocolate



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Family Time discussion

“It felt like I was being watched and judged on how I interacted with my family”

“Of course a child’s behaviour is going to change when they see family. It’s upsetting and sometimes challenging but that is not a reason to stop contact!”

“There needs to be better support around a child with disabilities as contact can bring back flashbacks and trauma”

“I think notes of how the contact is going shouldn’t be written until the contact has finished”

“They need to understand that is how our relationship is. I’m not being controlling”

Story Telling & Creative Writing



Oxford Story Museum



Thank you and we both loved it too! You were all so enthusiastic and the kids were lovely. We are also very happy to continue with these sessions

Fusion Arts

I am really excited to join you in the next stages of making Write On! happen, something I know we are all looking forward to!





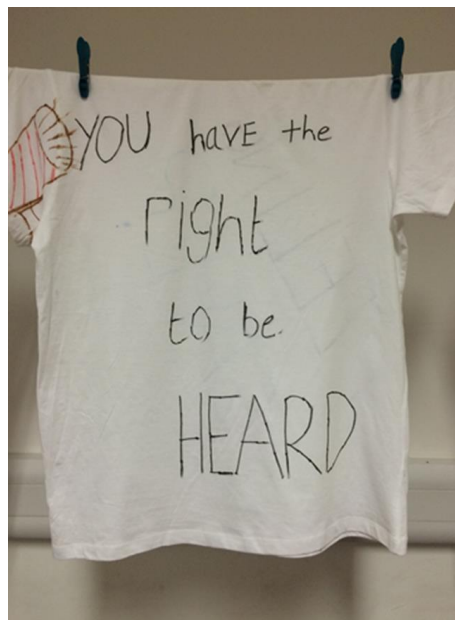
AMBASSADORS FOR CHILDREN IN CARE & LEAVING CARE

It's important to hear the views of ALL those in care?
Take them seriously and help CiCC action what's being said?

The concept is to reach out to those we don't tend to hear from very well

Children and young people with supporting professionals for:

- Out of county
- Asylum seekers and Unaccompanied Minors (name could soon be New Arrivals)
- Education
- Health & Well being
- Safeguarding
- Those who offend
- Disabilities
- Animals for looked after children
- Younger children
- Care leavers
- Equality and Diversity
- Housing
- Leisure



CiCC publicity and getting out there...

Hello & Welcome ... we are CiCC
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WANT TO GET YOUR VOICE HEARD, LISTENED TO & TAKEN SERIOUSLY? JOIN US!
CiCC are children and young people in care who want to meet up and chat about how things are going for them and to make new friends. Our meetings are informal, online or outdoors, so we chat, eat nice food and then do an activity. If you don't want to come to a meeting, or can't, we have other ways you can be involved, so get in touch. We are here for YOU.

Autumn
Apprentice and Chair of CiCC
Hiya, I'm Autumn and I was in care for over 5 years and I am now a care leaver. I enjoy writing poetry and watching tv. I now work with children in care and care leavers and I absolutely love it.

Teekay
Graduate Chair of CiCC
Hi, I'm Teekay and I'm currently a care leaver working as a Personal Trainer and I'm also working for the House Project. I enjoy going to the gym and watching YouTube videos.

Sarah
Chair of CiCC
Hi, my name is Sarah. I am a young person in care. I am studying health and social care at college. My favourite hobbies are travelling, music, and watching Netflix.

Jade
Chair of CiCC
My name is Jade and I'm a care leaver. I lived in multiple different children's homes, secure units and hospitals. I go to University right now, I study fine art. I love to see live music, my favourite artists and in my free time I love to make things.

Casey - Chair of CiCC
My name is Casey. I went into foster care when I was 13 and had 3 foster carers. I am now 20 and speak to my foster mum regularly and see her as often as I can. I have worked in retail and would love to be a foster carer. I have a passion for animals, I have a cat and love horse-riding, I want to work in a zoo one day. In my spare time I listen to music, read books and like to paint. I also enjoy cooking and baking.

Fatimah - Deputy Chair of CiCC
Hi there, my name is Fatimah and I'm excited to introduce myself to you. I'm a care leaver, currently studying Philosophy, Politics and Economics at Oxford University and an ambassador for Unaccompanied Minor and Asylum Seeker in CiCC. For fun, I love spending time outdoors, and hanging out with friends. Looking forward to meeting you in one of our fun CiCC events.

Oli
Deputy Chair of CiCC
Hello I'm Oli, I am the ambassador for mental health and well being. My passions are music and making sure souls are fixed and I have a strong passion about mental health and how it should be addressed.

TURN OVER TO SEE WHAT WE DO AND HOW TO JOIN US...

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We're creating a team of Ambassadors, meet...

Autumn

Oli

Fatimah

Hollie

Kavley

Jess

James

CiCC Children in Care Council

What do we do...
We meet often informally so you can get to know us, and we can get to know you. We chat about how things are going for you because your views and opinions are important to us and we take them seriously.

- ▶ We hold informal and fun meetings; online and outdoors.
- ▶ We do surveys, design leaflets & websites and look at policies and practices.
- ▶ We interview people for jobs.
- ▶ We hold events and workshops on topics & celebrate successes.
- ▶ We work with partners who work with children and young people, so we can work together and support each other.

Are you passionate about a subject?
We need more Ambassadors for **leaving care**, **youth justice**, **education**, **housing**, **health & wellbeing**, **out of county**, **new arrivals**, **disabilities**, **equality** - if you're interested?

Want to get involved?
Contact your **Social Worker** or **PA / Parent or Carer** or
Autumn on autumn.walsh@oxfordshire.gov.uk or
James Collins on james.collins@oxfordshire.gov.uk
CiCC Facebook page - search CiCC (Children in Care Council)

Some useful numbers for you... (awaiting correct details)
Oxfordshire County Council - they will put you through to the right number and person - 01865-??????? (New phone and don't have this - is this the right thing to say - or give them a direct number to children's services - if so, what is a good number?)
Virtual School & CiCC - 01865 328550
OCLA (Megan doesn't want details on here yet, so will take this out).
OXME - www.oxme.info
Out of hours emergency number social services (what number should go here?) (Sarah Ouerden said look at intranet - I couldn't find anything on there, because I have a new phone, don't have number anymore)
NYAS - advocacy service - Natasha.conniell@nyas.net 07732 496877
Children's Commissioner for England - 020 7783 8330
www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk
UNICEF - www.unicef.org.uk
NHS to chat about a problem 111 www.nhs.uk - is this the correct number?
In an Emergency call 999. If you can't speak dial 999, then press 55

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Oxfordshire Kindness Wave and CICC – Blanket Project

