Services available to out of area Looked after Children placed in Hull

There are a number of looked after children placed in Hull from other local authorities. Resources and facilities are made available to any children and young people who may be placed in our city as looked after children.

Notifications
All notifications of looked after children placed in Hull should be sent to: CYPServices.LACeventsGC@hullcc.gcsx.gov.uk

Changes of address and notifications of looked after children leaving Hull should also be sent to this address so we can update our records. Please ensure notifications highlight any risks or vulnerabilities to assist the professional network within Hull responding effectively to any issues that might arise.

If children or young people are at risk of going missing or sexual exploitation the Police Public Protection Unit must be notified by telephoning 101.

If you need to contact Hull’s Children’s social care please call the Access and Assessment team on 01482 448 879 or for emergencies outside of normal office hours please contact the immediate help team on 01482 788 080.

Education
City Learning and Skills service is responsible for Hull schools and early year’s education. Details about Hull’s primary, secondary and special schools, term dates, admissions, special
educational needs and 14-19 provision is available on the Hull City Council website. [http://www.hullcc.gov.uk/portal/page?_pageid=221,52204&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL](http://www.hullcc.gov.uk/portal/page?_pageid=221,52204&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL)

**Admission to School**
As well as the Virtual School Head, each school has an identified Looked after Children Designated Teacher to promote the educational achievement of looked after children who are on the school roll. Looked after children are awarded priority admission to Hull maintained schools and academies, assuming there is a vacancy at the preferred school. Looked after children, who cannot be placed by the normal admission process are allocated a school via fair access arrangements.

For looked after children moving into Hull please contact the Admissions Team as soon as possible to discuss the application process. They can be contacted on **01482 300 300** or emailed **LSAdmissions@hullcc.gov.uk**

**Early Years, Childcare, Nursery Provision and Children Centres**
Hull Family Information Service (FIS) provides a range of information about services for children, young people and their parents.

If a looked after child is aged 2, 3 or 4 they are entitled to 15 hours free childcare. Hull has 21 Children’s Centres that deliver a range of services to help give children living in Hull the best start in life.

FIS can offer advice and guidance about finding childcare, nursery placements and services available at children's centres. Please contact them by email **fis@hullcc.gov.uk** or call on **01482 318 318**.
Information is also available on

http://www.hullcc.gov.uk/portal/page?_pageid=221,207882&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL

**Special Educational Needs (SEN)**
Where a child has a statement of SEN, the SEN team will co-ordinate the formal assessment process and maintain the statement on behalf of the placing authority.

Please contact the SEN team on **01482 318 363** or by email **admininclusionteam@hullcc.gov.uk** to discuss the child or young person’s needs and to identify the most appropriate local provision.

**Youth Services**
Young people aged 10-24 have access to a wide range of fun, educational and challenging things to do and places to go in the local community. For more information about activities and youth centres please go to the Hull City Council Website [Youth Centres](#) or call **01482 300 300**.

We also have a targeted youth support service that is available for young people 16 – 18 years old. Young people can get advice and information on a range of issues including; staying safe, health (physical and emotional), relationship issues, education, employment and training, substance misuse, advocacy, mediation.

Young people can access these services directly by emailing **assessment&duty@hullcc.gov.uk** calling **01482 614 335** or by visiting Kenworthy House, 98-104 George Street, Hull, HU1 3DT.
Youth Justice
This service provides statutory supervision for young people in the youth justice system. It works with young people who are subject to community and custodial orders and those subject to remand or Bail Support. All young people who are looked after and placed in Hull whilst subject to supervision through the Criminal Justice System should contact Hull Youth Justice Service to request a transfer of case responsibility. The transfer protocol confirms that the ‘Home’ Youth Offending Team maintains overall responsibility for the individual young person and negotiates with the Hull Youth Justice Service what intervention will be delivered whilst the young person is resident in the Hull area.

The Hull Youth Justice Service also provides services to all children and young people who are interviewed in relation to criminal matters at Clough Road Police Station and works in partnership with Humberside Police to provide a range of activities that divert young people away from Court. Contact the team on 01482 609 991.

Health Services
All children and young people living in the local area have access to universal health services e.g. General Practitioners (GPs), Accident & Emergency as commissioned by the Hull CCG (clinical commissioning group) as well as specialist services such as CAMHS (children and adolescent mental health service) were required.

In addition there is a range of targeted provision aimed at supporting young people to have healthy lives. These include provision commissioned by Hull City Council public health and children, young people and family’s services.
These include:

**Support School Health Service – City Health Care Partnership**
The support school health services team delivers public health nursing services to children and young People aged 5-18 who are educated at home, missing from education, attending an alternate education provision or who are looked after (LAC) by the local authority.

This cohort of young people are among the most vulnerable children within our communities and require targeted assessment and intervention to ensure that they receiving the public health services they need to support them in achieving their full potential for education, physical emotional and social well being. To contact the team call **01482 336 691**

**ReFresh (young people’s substance misuse service)**
This service offers support, early intervention and treatment (tier 2 and 3) for young people and their families where the young person is at risk of/already engaged in substance misuse. The service also works with adult treatment providers to provide support to young people for whom parental substance misuse is an issue to help reduce risks and build resilience. They can be contacted on **01482 331 059** or **refresh@hullcc.gov.uk**

**Cornerhouse Young People’s Sexual Health Service**
This centrally based Young People’s Sexual Health service (in the Wilberforce Health Centre) offers open access services including advice and support on sexual health, relationships and sexuality, condoms, pregnancy testing, Chlamydia testing and pregnancy options support. For more information contact: **01482 366 322**.
Counselling
For those young people who do not meet the CAMHS threshold but require emotional health support we have in place a framework of counselling providers who can provide therapeutic interventions for those young people already involved with children and young peoples services including LAC, however a charge may be applicable to the placing authority if you require this service contact the lead commissioner gail.teasdale@hullcc.gov.uk

Young Voices Influencing Care
The Advocacy, Access and Support team provides support for looked after children and young people up to the age of 21. The service aims to ensure that the voices of children and young people are heard in decisions which affect their lives.

The work undertaken supports young people to raise issues important to them through the Young Voices Influencing Care (YVIC), the Council’s Children in Care Council. Young people are encouraged to take ideas and issues to relevant partners such as youth parliament, the corporate parenting board and other youth forums. The YVIC group meets monthly and is open to all looked after children and young people.

The service also supports young people through the complaints procedure to help them navigate the process. As well as YVIC and dealing with complaints the service provides independent consultation with young people for example independently supporting young people to attend looked after children (LAC) reviews, also providing an independent service to seek young peoples’ views on their experience.

Contact the team on 01482 614 335 or by visiting Kenworthy House, 98-104 George Street, Hull, HU1 3DT.
SOVA Hull Independent Visitors

Sova is a voluntary organisation managing the contract for the Hull Independent Visitors Project. They provide fully trained Independent volunteers from a variety of backgrounds to meet the diversity of the looked after population in Hull and surrounding villages. The volunteers offer long-term support to any looked after child or young person who wishes to have an independent visitor, they are there to encourage them to try new activities help boost their self confidence and as someone there just for them.

Volunteers also play an active part in LAC reviews and ensure wherever possible that their views are heard and included. Most volunteers visit once a fortnight for up to 4 hours depending on what activity they have planned.

For more information on the Hull Independent Visitors Project and how they can assist contact Richard Mullins Project Manager on 01482 614 213 or hullivproject@sova.org.uk