

# The Pledge

**to children in care and care leavers**

1. We will help you and stick by you.
2. We will love and care for you as we would our own children.
3. We promise to keep you safe and make sure you live in a safe place.
4. We will support you to see appropriate family and friends. If you can't see them we will explain the reasons why.
5. We will help you to keep in touch with old friends and make new friends.
6. We will give you pocket money and explain pocket money arrangements to you at the start of your placement.
7. We will help you achieve in school and try new activities.
8. We will look after your health.
9. We will keep your information private.
10. We will help you to speak up.
11. We will give you time and space to express your feelings and give you opportunities to influence decisions about your future.
12. We will support you when you move on to adult life.

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This is the promise that Halton Borough Council is making to all its children in care and care leavers. The Pledge has been written by young people, for young people and it will influence decision making in the local authority. It is the responsibility of all those involved with children in care and care leavers to make sure that this pledge becomes a reality for them.



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