

Children in Care Council

What is the Children in Care Council?

The Children in Care Council is for children and young people in Derby who are in care or leaving care.

Every local authority in England should set up a CiCC, the aim being to raise local issues affecting children and young people who are 'looked after' and to set up their 'Pledge' (their Promise).

A children in care council gives children and young people a chance to have their say, be heard and makes changes for all looked after children.

Our Children in Care Council is made up of 15 children and young people who are looked after by Derby City Council.

What do we do?

We meet every month to try to make things better for children in care. At meetings we:

- Make a list of what we are going to talk about;
- Split into small groups, giving us a chance to have a say and be heard;
- Decide what are the most important things that need to be changed to make things better for us within Derby
- Arrange for the big bosses from Derby City Council to come to listen to what we think; and
- Get feedback about what we have said and any changes that are going to happen.

How has the group made a difference?

- Made sure our things are not moved in bin bags;
- Worked on putting a Pledge together;
- Decided what kind of children's rights service we need; and
- Shaped what our website will look like.
- Developed a terms of reference for the CiCC

What will I get out of being on the Children in Care Council?

You will:

- have access to training such as participation and campaigning
- help design new material being published
- have a say in lots of important decisions being made in Derby
- sit on interview panels
- Have fun