

Our Commitment to Kent's children, young people and families who are involved in the Child Protection process.

We understand talking to a social worker or having a child protection plan is not easy and can bring extra challenges and pressures for you and your family.

Our commitment to **children and young people** includes things we will do to help make sure that your experience is helpful and one you are fully involved in.

We will:

- tell you when a decision is made to hold a Child Protection Conference, the reasons why and what to expect.
- find a way for you to share your wishes, feelings, and your views about what is happening for you.
- offer you the opportunity for someone else (an advocate) to speak on your behalf at the Conference.
- offer you the chance to have your own Child / Young Person only Conference.
- make sure you feel welcome and comfortable when you come to a meeting.
- explain decisions made at Conference, so you know who is going to help you and your family.
- make sure we do what we have agreed to do to help you and your family.
- come and talk to you often so you can tell us if things are getting better or if you are worried.
- always ask for your feedback and use this to help change the way we do things.