

CORPORATE PARENTING

A STATEMENT TO ALL OUR CHILDREN LOOKED-AFTER AND CARE LEAVERS, FROM THE JOINT PARENTING PANEL (JANUARY 2019)

We are your corporate parents and this means everyone who works for Slough, or is connected to children, from elected Members right through to social workers and personal assistants, all have their part to play in listening and acting on what young people say and what they need to be safe, secure and successful - *to treat you as we would want our children to be treated*

HOW WILL WE DO THIS?

As your corporate parents, we will do our best to support you to...

- **Achieve your goals in education and learning through encouragement and practical help** - we want you to be ambitious and achieve your goals so that you have the best chance of getting a good job.
- **Keep safe** - whilst you are with us your safety is important and we will support you to make safe choices.
- **Develop positive relationships** - we will support you to have good relationships with friends, family and in the community and to be self-confident and resilient so that you are better able to deal with everyday challenges.
- **Plan for your future as you move into adulthood** - we will support you in practical ways so that you develop the skills to better

manage your money, make good choices and engage with education, training and employment. We want you to be independent as an adult so that you shape your own future and make a positive contribution to society.

- **Be healthy and happy** - we will help you access whatever services you need for your health and well-being and support you to make the right choices for a more physically healthy and emotionally happy lifestyle.

As your **corporate parents**, we will support you and treat you as we would want our children to be treated

THIS IS WHAT YOUR REPRESENTATIVES ON REACH OUT! SAID THEY WANT FROM US:

"We would like you to support us and have an understanding of the needs of all Slough's children in care, in all aspects of our lives.

We would like all corporate parents to ask us our views and listen to what we say.

We would like you to keep your promises and follow through with the things you say you will do.

Our corporate parents need to have a better understanding of what is important to children looked-after and care leavers. You should want to take your

responsibilities seriously and do your very best for us because you make a difference to our future.

We want all corporate parents to treat us the same as they would their own children so we receive the support, care and love we need."



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