

Children Looked After





Young
Inspectors
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There are currently 16 trained members of the Children Looked After Young Inspectors Team

The Young Inspectors visit

- fostering agencies
- Lancashire County Council residential units
 - Private residential units

Since the last Corporate Parenting Board Meeting the young inspectors have all come together to meet three times



In their meetings they have written the reports following a visit to Barnardo's Fostering Agency and returned them to the managers and to the local authority.



Recommendations to the residential units included



Young people to have the direct contact details of Barnardo's Fostering Agency so they can contact them independently of their foster carer if they wish to



Make sure foster carers give their young people pocket money then they can buy the things they want and it builds life skills



Foster carers to ask young people what they want to do in their free time



The staff talked about a few priority areas and they were good. We think the child should be a priority too so they are at the centre of all other priorities and decisions



The Young Inspectors are currently organising more inspections for the next few months and will be conducting revisits of units/agencies they have already inspected to ensure the recommendations have been put in place