

Feedback from CPB on Fostering and Adoption

How can young people get involved?

Group 1:

- Training – Staff, Panel and Applicants
- Care Leaver on Panel
- Foster Carer Reviews
- Recruitment
- Information Evening
- Information Pack – What it includes
- Assessment – Skills and Abilities
- Advice – Their story/experience
- Marketing process

Group 2:

- Young Inspectors
- Getting involved in boards
- Getting involved with local authority placement teams e.g. with how you match
- Helping to train foster carers themselves
- Getting involved in the design of questions for foster carers
- Involvement in the selection and recruitment process

Group 3:

- A member of LINX on the fostering panel
- LINX member on adoption panel
- Supporting foster carers – how to deal with challenges with YP
- Buddy system for new foster children
 - Those who have just come into care
 - Act as an advocate

Group 4:

- Input into the preparation exercises for the Form F process
- A booklet (general) which contains the children and young people's voice, experience – reality check for those potential carers to feel the reality
- Feed into pre-panel training and induction training