We KNOW that

- Young people in care are 7 times more likely to be suspended from school.
- 89% of school age young people in care had a Personal Education Plan.
- 54% of young people in care in year 12 got 5 GCSEs - compared to 83% of other children.

You TOLD us

- Someone in school needs to know about the care system - help other staff understand.
- Social workers should try to keep a child in the same school when they go into care.
- Kids should be encouraged to go to school because we are the future.
- There should be wifi in children's homes so we can do our homework.

LEARNING

We WILL

- Make a rule that young people in care have to have a Personal Education Plan.
- Help young people in care to take part in activities that are organised after school or outside school.
- Look at how well Personal Education Plans are helping children.
- Make sure young people in care get a second chance at education when their lives have settled down.
- Train teachers about what it means to be a young person in care.

What do you think?

- Do you agree with these actions?
- What else should we do?
- How will we know that things have got better?
**We KNOW that**

Taking part in play, leisure, arts and culture can help children be healthy and do well in life.

All children at school get a chance to do Physical Education (exercise and sports) - this should be for at least two hours a week.

**You TOLD us**

You should have wi-fi in children’s homes so you can play games with your mates.

I would like money for guitar lessons.

I don’t have the money to do extra things and have new experiences like other young people - when staff take us out or away, it gives you a better sense of the world, new ideas about how things can be.

**PLAY**

**We WILL**

- We will work with everyone involved to make sure that young people in care get opportunities for play and leisure.
- We will make sure that young people in care and care leavers can make better use of Nature Reserves and country parks.
- We will work to make sure that, where possible, children’s homes can access the Internet.

**What do YOU think?**

- Do you agree with these actions?
- What else should we do?
- How will we know that things have got better?
We will work with young people to make sure that there is a good system for giving young people in care advice, and support around training, education and jobs.

We will work with other parts of Government to make sure that care leavers get the right support around housing, education, jobs, training, money and benefits.

We KNOW that:
- Nearly half of young people in care come from the poorest areas here.
- 73% of care leavers were in Training, Education or Employment.
- 11% of care leavers were unemployed.
- 19% of care leavers were parents.

You TOLD us:
- I can manage money myself.
- I don’t have enough money to manage.
- I want to get a house of my own when I am older, it’s not really profound but it’s what I want.
- I want to grow up and get a good job and have a family.

Work and Money

What do YOU think?
- Do you agree with these actions?
- What else should we do?
- How will we know that things have got better?
We KNOW that

- 5% of young people in care come from well-off areas here
- 36% of young people sentenced in court were young people in care
- Some people don’t understand what being in care means and look down on young people in care

You TOLD us

- There should be more positive stories about children in care
- I want to work with young people in care
- I never got convictions till I went into care - even if we went into the care home office, to wind up the staff - they would threaten to call the police

We WILL

- We will make sure the public hears positive stories about young people in care and help them to understand what it means to be in care
- We will work with others to make sure young people in care get the chance to help their communities and feel good about themselves

What do YOU think?

- Do you agree with these actions?
- What else should we do?
- How will we know that things have got better?