

# The Pledge

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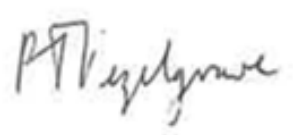
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2. We will provide you with a safe place to live. We want you to be safe, protected and valued and will support you to keep yourself safe.
3. We will help and support you to participate in opportunities and activities to be happy and healthy, explore interests and find your passions.
4. We will respect you for who you are. We will support you to understand who you are including cultural and religious beliefs, your personal identity and understand your life and your journey.
5. We will help you to go to the GP, Dentist or anything else you may need to keep you happy, healthy and safe.
6. We will support you to get the most from your education or learning and encourage you to reach your goals and achieve your potential by believing in you and supporting you with your future aspirations including the world of work.
7. We will help you to understand all of your rights and invite you to share your views, worries and hopes to help us understand you better and do our best for you.
8. We will ensure your voice is heard in all discussions about you and we will explain any decisions made about you to help you understand and ensure you know why and when meetings are held.
9. We will work with organisations in Derby to ensure we prevent children in care from being unnecessarily criminalised.
10. We will join with you to celebrate your 18th birthday and ensure you are supported into adulthood as an individual.



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