

Fostering Liaison Advice Group (FLAG)

Our last meeting took place on 6th March 2017 with representation from most areas of fostering. Steve Edwards, Service Director and Naomi Sills, Service Manager provided updates surrounding plans for changes in the delivery of the adoption service, current social worker staffing levels and the impact on foster carers.

Marina Starkey, an Independent Reviewing Officer attended and foster carers provided feedback, which was positive and great to hear.

Support care was again a topic of conversation with a number of problems raised by various foster carers. It was agreed that there would be a review of support care. If you have any specific points to raise about this issue, please let your supervising social worker know, who will be able to pass it on.

All support group grants have now been paid. We have funds available - if you have any suggestions how we can use these funds then please let me know and I will make suggestions at the next meeting.

The next meeting is the AGM on 5th June 2017 and will start at the earlier time of 7pm.

We hope to have a guest speaker at the next meeting which will be notified on the next agenda.

If you would like to attend or you have something you would like to discuss or even get involved with the committee please don't hesitate to get in touch. My email address is the.mcdonald4@btinternet.com

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