

## Councillor development

### Corporate Parenting Training - Total Respect

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Date(s)	Time(s)	Venue(s)
Friday 16 March 2012	9.30am to 4.30pm	Committee Room 3, County Hall, Trowbridge BA14 8JN

**Target audience:** all Councillors as Corporate Parents to Wiltshire's Looked After Children and Young People.

**Booking Deadline:** 2 March 2012

#### Introduction to the course

This course has recently been condensed to a one day version in order for all Wiltshire Councillors to be able to attend. The course seeks to develop knowledge and understanding of young people's views, rights and issues, and is aimed at improving individual practice and producing strategic recommendations to improve the quality of care for Looked after Children and Young People.

#### Aims

This training aims to cover most aspects of children's and young people's lives in care, but specifically focuses on:

- The impact of the care system on children & young people.
- Children's and young people's participation in individual care planning
- Making sure children and young people are taken seriously when they make complaints or allegations of abuse or poor practice.
- Children's and young people's participation in local authority policy and service development

#### Objectives

**Total Respect** is a different kind of training course, based on the principles set out in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, ratified by the UK Government in December 1991. It is run in partnership between young care-experienced trainers and adult trainers. It is not about tokenism and just 'listening', it is about thinking, experiencing and changing practice at all levels of the local authority. While governments have the responsibility to promote and implement the Convention, all public bodies and agencies working with and for children have a responsibility to ensure it is known and respected.

#### Proposed Training Schedule

9.30 start     **Introductions**

What Total Respects is and what it isn't  
Ground rules  
Warm up exercise

**Jargon buster**

Language that professionals use and how we communicate

**Dear Director**

Scenario about a serious complaint received from a young person

*Break*

**No place like home**

Managing changing situations

**So you think you know me?**

*Lunch*

**I Believe**

Opportunity to talk about various perspectives

**What do you know?**

An opportunity for Elected Members to think about what things they should be aware of for Looked After Children/Young People living in care

**Give and Take**

Limits/boundaries, negotiation with young people

*Break*

**Putting Children's rights first**

The impacts that policies have on young people

**Evaluations and pledges**

4.30

Close

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