

GOOD PRACTICE STORY BOARD

“Virtual CiC Council - 23rd April 2020”

1. What are we improving?

- Opportunities for engagement and participation of the Children in Care Council (CiCC) during the Coronavirus pandemic.
- Maintaining contact with CiCC members by holding weekly CiCCs during this period.
- CiCC have welcomed three new members since April 2020.
- Relationships between CiCC members continue to grow on a weekly basis.
- Thinking more creatively and coming up with new ways to engage with each other over Microsoft Teams.

2. What has been delivered?

- 10 CiCC members participated in the virtual CiCC and were able to communicate and see each other virtually.
- Two members of the CiCC created a quiz for the whole group to take part in.
- CiCC members were able to show each other their talents such as singing, dancing and playing the guitar.
- CiCC members spoke openly about their feelings (*3 things*) during this period of time (*see below*).



Have your say and be heard

3. What has been the impact?

- The CiCC is able to continue during this unprecedented period and CiCC members are able to communicate and see one another virtually.
- CiCC members contributed to the agenda by creating their own quiz.
- The Participation Team continues to build on relationships with CiCC members and their carers.
- CiCC members were able to discuss their feelings during this uncertain time and were able to support one another.
- The CiCC will take place on a weekly basis during this period of time so that members can have the opportunity to come together to catch up, play games, show their talents, support each other and have some fun during this uncertain time.

4. What has been the evidence?

- The CiCC is able to continue through Microsoft Teams on a weekly basis and attendance is improving.
- Moving forwards, the CiCC will be held separately in two different age groups to allow for everyone to be heard and to ensure that the meetings are focussed by age – *one week for older CiCC members and the second for younger CiCC members & so forth*.
- Attendance of the CiCC continues to increase, 10 CiCC members attended this virtual meeting.
- Young people can attend future CiCC's virtually if they are unable to attend in person.

What you said!

What are the three things you like about being at home?

I like my foster carers
Eating
Going on walks
Being in PJ's
Hate everything being stuck at home, as it affects my mental health
My Scooter
Watching TV
Being a little bit naughty
Going to school for less hours
Being in the garden

What are the three things you miss?

Going to school
Seeing family
Miss seeing friends
Doing activities
Having freedom

What are the three things you want to do when this is over?

See friends
See family
Explore the world, a forest and Europe
Play football
Swimming
Go on holiday
Go out