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Welcome to the first 'Thinking about Fostering' newsletter of 2025!

Over the past few months, we've had the real privilege of hearing about the fostering journey from different perspectives - including foster carers, a looked-after young person, and a recent care leaver. It's a fascinating look into how the journey affects everyone.

We also had the joy of celebrating LGBTQ+ Adoption and Fostering week, and continue to pledge an outstanding support package to all, regardless of identity, background or experience.

With best wishes,

Denise



Supported Lodgings



Care leaver shares supported lodgings experience

Jonathan, a care leaver living in Leicestershire, recently shared his experience of living in a Supported Lodgings household.



'I am grateful for the opportunity given to me': a Supported Lodgings household

'Megan', a young person currently living within a Supported Lodgings household, shares her experiences of the scheme



The fostering application journey: 'it's well-structured to guide you through'

Karen, a recently-approved carer, shares her experiences of going through the fostering application process with Leicestershire County Council

LGBTQ+ Adoption and Fostering Week (3 March – 9 March)



Foster carer encourages LGBTQ+ community to find out more about fostering and adoption

Claire and Vicky share their story to encourage others to help



Training and support for foster carers

Part of the vision for Leicestershire County Council is that our foster carers receive excellent training, which is delivered in a way to reflect and suit their needs.

Find Out About Fostering in 2025

Join the fostering team and a current foster carer to discuss all-things fostering, including the application process, available payments and allowances, and our 'consistent and reliable' (Ofsted, 2024) support and guidance.

All information sessions take place between 6:30pm – 8:30pm.

- Thursday 3 April (virtual)
- Tuesday 22 April (in-person)
- Wednesday 14 May (virtual)

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