

# Presentation by Luke and Billie-Leigh, CiCC CPP representatives and Robert Johnson, Investing in Children

## Durham Children in Care Council (CiCC) – February Update

12 young people attended the older CiCC group in January to discuss DCC's Children Looked After Strategic Partnership's (CLASP) priorities and the work of Durham CPP. They discussed what they thought was important regarding this work. All the young people had a lot to share regarding their care experienced journey. Rob Johnson sits on the CLASP as a link with the CiCC.

The following themes came through strongly:-

- **Feeling Safe:** A stable home that creates positive memories and promotes good times growing up was seen as important.
- **Emotional and Physical Wellbeing:** It was felt that emotional and physical support tailored and provided by the right people at the right time.
- **Positive People in Your Life:** Having people around you that are positive and who you can turn to for advice/support/friendship was significant – Everyone needs a Friend! Alongside being part of the local community in different ways.
- **Being Listened to:** Having the chance to share your view on life in different ways was seen as important.
- **Understanding Things Better:** Developing information and presenting it in different ways so that children and young people understand how lots of people are trying to help them in joined up ways.
- **To be the best I can be:** Learning and developing in a variety of ways, connecting and learning through different opportunities.



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- Durham CICC will continue to work alongside DCC representatives to feed into CLASP these themes and work on a range of projects and work taking place this year.
- Care Day Feedback.
- Here is a picture that was part of IIC/ CICC Care Day. The picture was part of a photo exhibition and raffled as a prize:

