



PRIVATE FOSTERING PLEDGE

St Helens Safeguarding Children Partnership make the following Pledge to all children and families where Private Fostering Arrangements are in place:

- 1. All Agencies within and linked to the Safeguarding Children Partnership will ensure that Private Fostering is included in the induction process for all new members of staff, including attendance at Multi-Agency Private Fostering Briefings and Training Events (internal to the agency or via the SCP) which will be considered as part of each member of staff's continuing professional development.
- All Agencies will ensure that Private Fostering information and guidance is included within the Agency's procedure manual and to include links to the Safeguarding Children Partnership Website and promotional material.
- 3. All Agencies will provide reassurance in respect of their understanding and response to Private Fostering Arrangements within the S175 and S11 Audit processes.