

**HIGHLAND COUNCIL  
FOSTERING & ADOPTION SERVICE  
FOSTER CARER AGREEMENT  
Looked After Children (Scotland ) Regulations 2009**

I/ We namely -

Approved foster carers for the Highland Council agree:

- a) not to administer any physical or inappropriate punishment to any child placed with me/us.
- b) to keep the Council informed about the child's progress and of any serious illness or occurrence affecting any child placed with me/us.
- c) to notify the Council of any temporary or permanent changes to my/our personal circumstances, members of the household or change of address.
- d) to care for any child placed with me/us as if s/he were a member of my/our family in a safe and appropriate manner and to promote his/her welfare having regard to the Council's short and long plans for the child.
- e) to ensure that any information relating to a child placed, or his or her family given to me/us in confidence in connection with a placement, is kept confidential, and not disclosed to any person without the consent of the Council. This includes social networking sites.
- f) to take part in 4 training sessions a year.
- g) to allow the foster child/ren to be removed by Highland Council when a placement ends
- h) to provide the information needed from me/us for a Child's Plan and Foster Carer Reviews.
- i) to abide by the policies and procedures laid out in the Foster Carers Handbook and have received a copy
- j) that I/we have read and agree to the terms and conditions set out in this agreement.

Highland Council agrees to:

- a) allocate a qualified social worker to support you, and make a visit at least monthly
- b) give you information about the training available to you
- c) hold a review normally annually
- d) support you if there is either a complaint or investigation about you or a member of your family in the household
- e) provide in writing information about fees and allowances
- f) provide insurance
- g) take into account and respond to any written representation you make to the Council
- h) give you information about any child placed with you from any Child's Plan, review of that plan or placement agreement

<b>Signed Carer 1:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
<b>Print:</b>	
<b>Signed Carer 2:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
<b>Print:</b>	
<b>For and on behalf of the Highland Council</b>	
<b>Signed:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
<b>Print:</b>	
<b>Designation:</b>	

