

# Our Pledge



To have honest, open, bold conversations with each other as multi-agency partners, so that we always do the best we can for children and families.

For a number of children and families inter-agency working is vital to maintain a focus on the child which also recognises the strengths within the family.

## Our Pledge is an opportunity to:

- Seek out professional conversations with each other at the earliest opportunity.
- Respect each other's expertise.
- Have a shared understanding of the strengths and risks within a family.
- Actively listen to each other and share important information.
- Be open and empathetic to the professional views of others.
- Be curious and evidence what we say.
- Use common language that everyone understands.

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