Why are we here? What's our purpose?

<u>Make a Difference Group – Children in Care Council</u>

- To make a difference and to help other people who are in care
- We are representative group who represent children and young people in care
- Help the council with problems that they have
- Make it easier for us and other children and young people in care
- Make people feel better
- Work with adults in the council and it's partners to make things better
- Advise the council on the best way to look after children and young people
- Help children and young people believe in themselves
- o Be open to talk about problems & issues
- Make sure children and young people are comfortable and happy where they live
- Help children and young people when they go into care, in the middle and when they leave care
- Make sure children and young people are involved in making choices
- Help make relationships better with LAC and their social workers
- We are mentors to help others

Make sure that the council and its partners work with us to achieve all of the above!

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- Make a difference and help other children and young people who are in Care in Dudley
- We will monitor and evaluate the pledge and make sure the Dudley council are doing what they say
- ➤ Help solve problems
- Make it easier for us
- Make people feel better
- > Prevent problems
- > Trust & believe
- Open to talk about problems
- Make sure children and young people who are looked after are comfortable and happy where they are
- ➤ Help and advise children and young people when they go into care, when they are in are and when they leave care
- > Make sure we all have choices
- Offer support and change to social workers
- Make sure that people are happy where they are
- Challenge the council and make sure they listen to our views and opinions and take them into account
- Become mentors for other looked after children