### Visiting the child

Social Worker
must visit the child
in placement at
least every 6
weeks during the
first year of
arrangement and
at least every 12
weeks after the
first year of
arrangement if
agreed by ADM.

If any
safeguarding
concerns
arise
safeguarding
procedures
are initiated
as
appropriate –
i.e., Strategy
meeting and
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investigation

If there are any significant events a child and family assessment should be completed to assess the impact on the child and inform future planning.

### Case transfer discussions with Children in Our Care team

Once ADM approves Private Fostering arrangement discussions with CIOC to take place to discuss transfer, child's plan and handover via a Child in Need meeting and Private Fostering visit.



# Child in Need meetings and updates to the child's plan

CIOC Social Worker to have Child in Need meetings every 6 weeks and to update the plan following the review. Child to be seen at least every 6 weeks in line with Child in Need timescales.



## IRO attends first review of the PF arrangement – 3 months

IRO to attend a Child in Need meeting at 3 months. IRO to review the PF assessment, the PF visits, Child in Need minutes and the Child's plan.



## IRO attends second review of the PF arrangement – 6 months

IRO to attend a Child in Need meeting at 6 months. IRO to review PF visits, Child in Need minutes and the Child's plan.



#### Annual Review of PF arrangement (IRO to attend)

10 months following PF assessment completed date/ time for annual review meeting agreed prior to 12-month point. IRO to review PF visits, Child in Need minutes and the Child's plan. Timescales to be agreed on when annual PF assessment will be updated and whether visits can be 3 monthly following ADM.





Following PF assessment ADM reviews private fostering

arrangements and recommendations.

Child's PF arrangement continues to be reviewed through update to child's plan (CIN) every 3 months and annual review by the ADM



Unless a young person has a disability, private fostering ends at 16. CIOC will review the young person's circumstances and future plans as they approach 16. Where a young person remains with the private foster carers after the age of 16, but requires continuing support, they should be assisted as a Child In Need.

Care planning meeting to be requested if parents notify the local authority of the ending of the PF arrangement

Private Foster
Carer will
need their
Health
Assessment
and DBS
updating
every 3 years.
Kinship team
can support
with this.