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Adoption UK is the leading charity providing support, community and advocacy for adopted people and those parenting children who cannot live with their birth parents. They connect people, provide support and training and campaign for improvements to adoption policy and practice. There are also a range of training opportunities and resources for educational settings available on their website.



Peterborough Virtual School's vision is to ensure 'all children known to social care will achieve aspirational educational outcomes, enabling them to live healthy, happy and fulfilled lives.'

Peterborough Virtual School is a team of dedicated education professionals and teachers who work to support the education of Peterborough's Children in Care, Children Previously in Care, Children in Kinship Care Arrangements and Children with a Social Worker.



Kinship use their experience, expertise and strength to change lives. They support kinship carers in their homes and communities, giving advice and helping them work through problems to find the best way forward.

Kinship connect carers together in national, community and local support groups.

They help professionals understand kinship families and improve support for them. And through our research and campaigns we make sure kinship care is understood and feedback to the government, so they are aware of changes that kinship carers feel are needed.



Beacon House is a specialist, innovative and creative therapeutic service for young people, families and adults. With a special interest in working with individuals of all ages who have experienced trauma and loss, they are passionate about offering safe and effective therapies in a way that enables people to re-build their lives following stress and adversity. They also take pride in supporting individuals and teams to develop their trauma informed practice through training, supervision and consultation.



Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Adoption is a Regional Adoption Agency (RAA) for Cambridgeshire County Council and Peterborough City Council, responsible for providing a range of adoption and adoption support services, including Special Guardianship support across both Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.



**PAC-UK**  
Adoption and Permanency Support

PAC-UK is the country's largest independent Adoption Support Agency. Their vision is that all those affected by adoption, Special Guardianship and other forms of permanent care are supported and enabled to live their lives to the full. Entering adoption, Special Guardianship or another permanent placement is an important step forward in a child's life. PAC-UK acknowledge that this is the beginning of a life-long journey, not just for the child, but also for the adoptive/permanent care family and the birth family left behind. Their support extends to all these groups, and includes adults adopted as children who continue to find difficulties arising on their own life journey. We also offer advice to professionals working with these families in different contexts – in particular adoption social workers, school teachers and virtual school staff.



BraveHeart Education is about helping and supporting those working with vulnerable children – whether they are looked after, adopted or in challenging home environments.

BraveHeart Education exists to inspire individuals to learn more about how children can struggle in the educational systems, to motivate people to attend attachment training and gain the knowledge, understanding, skills and strategies needed to employ to really help children connect and learn.

## FIRST 4 ADOPTION

First4Adoption is the national information service for people interested in adopting a child in England. They are available to give clear and impartial information about adopting and can put you in touch with adoption agencies in your area.



Adoption England is a collaboration of regional adoption agencies working together with a small central team working nationally, aiming to improve adoption practice and develop support and services to better meet the needs of children and families. Adoption England receives funding from the Department for Education and works in partnership with all agencies involved with adoption in England, including voluntary adoption agencies and local authorities, as well as specialised adoption charities and third sector services.



New Family Social are a UK charity, led by LGBTQ+ adopters and foster carers. New Family Social exists to help adults decide if adoption or fostering is right for them and then support adults on their journey to becoming parents and carers.

They also work with agencies to develop their services to be as LGBTQ+ inclusive and friendly as possible.



Family Rights Group's mission is support children to live safely and thrive within their family, while strengthening the family and community networks of those children who cannot live at home.

Family Rights Group offer free specialist legal and child welfare practice advice service for parents and kinship carers; support Local Authorities through the provision of resources, training and consultancy, find innovative family-led ways to improve child welfare and promote families' voices so children and families with experience of the child welfare and family justice system help shape it, at local and national level.



Coram's work enables them to gain a better understand of what works for children and young people, and communicate with those in a position to make a real difference. They use their insight and experience to engage with government, local authorities, social workers, teachers, carers and families to help deliver better practice, systems and laws.

Coram's work includes advocacy for children and young people in and leaving care and free legal services.

Useful websites and links are constantly reviewed and updated. Please email [virtualschool@peterborough.gov.uk](mailto:virtualschool@peterborough.gov.uk) if you have any suggestions of anymore that would benefit stakeholders supporting CPIC and children in kinship care arrangements.