



Kinship Care in Leeds

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Are you caring for a child who is a **SIBLING, GRANDCHILD, NIECE, NEPHEW or STEP CHILD?**

If you do not have a formal arrangement such as a Court Order you may be considered to be an Informal Kinship Carer

Kinship Carers can access support and guidance from the Kinship Care team in Leeds

Looking after someone else's children can be challenging - the Kinship Team can help you address problems and answer questions about your particular situation or signpost you to other services.

All Kinship arrangements are different – the Kinship Team have lots of experience of helping families with a range of issues such as:

- dealing with difficult childhood behaviour
- suggesting how children might keep contact with their parents and other family members
- difficulties at school
- welfare benefits
- the law relating to kinship arrangements such as: Special Guardianship Orders, Child Arrangement Orders and Private Fostering

You can contact the Leeds Kinship team by:

- email: kinshipdutyteam@leeds.gov.uk
- phone: 0113 37 83537

Or you can contact:

- Grandparents Plus Helpline : 0300 123 7015
 - or advice @grandparentsplus.org.uk
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