

# The National Fostering Landscape in 2018: Policy and Practice

Event to be held in Central London | 28th February 2018

10.15	<b>Registration &amp; Morning Refreshments</b>
11.00	<b>Chair's Introduction</b>
11.05	<b>Delivering Effective Foster Care: Policy &amp; Practice</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Preventing placement breakdown: progress of the Staying Put initiative</li><li>• Developing an effective referral service for children in care</li><li>• Incorporating other agencies to create a safety net for foster children</li><li>• Supporting unaccompanied asylum seeking children</li><li>• Giving access to advocacy services for children</li><li>• Including foster children in the decision making process</li><li>• Maintaining stable 'networks' for children including schools</li></ul> <p>⇒ <b>Andy Elvin</b>, Chief Executive, The Adolescent and Children's Trust</p> <p>⇒ <b>Nicola Smith</b>, Policy Officer, Barnardo's</p> <p>⇒ <b>Kevin Williams</b>, Chief Executive, The Fostering Network</p>
13.00	<b>Networking Lunch</b>
13.45	<b>Foster Carer Recruiting, Retention and Professional Development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Providing sufficient training for current future foster carers</li><li>• Creating a nationwide database of foster carers</li><li>• New recruitment drives for foster carers</li><li>• Encouraging greater support for foster caring employees in the workplace</li><li>• Considering the employment status of full-time foster carers</li><li>• Matching guidance with local and national priorities for foster service delivery</li></ul> <p>⇒ <b>Tay Jiva</b>, Adoption and Fostering Service Manager, Penny Appeal</p> <p>⇒ <i>Confirmed Representative from Action For Children</i></p>
15.30	<b>Event Close</b>

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