Cheshire East TOGETHER for Children and Young People

Together we will make Cheshire East a great place to be young

What we want to achieve

Our Vision

Through working **together** we will make Cheshire East a great place to be young.

We will make our families and communities strong, welcoming and supportive, where differences are respected and celebrated

All our children and young people deserve to be happy, healthy and safe, and to enjoy a life which is filled with fun and opportunities to learn and develop.

We will be hugely ambitious for all our children and young people, supporting them to succeed and grow as individuals. Their interests will be at the heart of everything we do.

We will support children and young people to build on their strengths, develop resilience, and achieve to their full potential. We will celebrate their successes!

We will fully prepare our children for their transition into adulthood, so they have the skills to thrive now and in the future.

We believe that...

- Children are best supported within their families and their communities.
- All children should enjoy the best education which prepares them to thrive in adulthood.
- Families and communities are strong and resilient, with the right help, by the right people, at the right time.

Outcomes for children and young people

We will do all we can to ensure that:

1. **Children and young people we care for** are happy and given every opportunity to achieve their full potential.
2. Children and young people **feel and are safe.**
3. Children and young people are **happy** and experience **good mental health and wellbeing.**
4. Children and young people are **healthy and make positive choices.**
5. Children and young people leave school with the **best skills and qualifications** they can achieve and the life skills they need to thrive into adulthood.
6. Children, young people and young adults with **additional needs have better chances in life.**

How we'll do this

Working TOGETHER

We will work together with children, young people, parents, carers, services and communities, as equal partners towards a common goal:

Teamwork when designing, delivering and evaluating individual support and services

Open minded ideas and discussions

Genuine communication for all parties involved

Equal partners help to shape and improve support for all

Trust each other to make the right decisions

Honest

Engage and empower children, young people, adults and families

Respect for everyone's views and opinions

Our focus

We will work to deliver
- Fairer and more resilient communities
- The best start in life for all children
- Enjoyable education that supports children achieve to their full potential
- The right support at the right time from the right people
- A stronger offer to improve social, emotional and mental health and wellbeing
- Excellence in social work and support
- Our ambition to be the best corporate parents
- Effective support for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities

How we'll know if we've made a difference

- Children, young people and families will tell us we have made a difference.
- Children, young people and families will be supported at the earliest opportunity.
- We will get it right first time and we will help families to be resilient.
- Children and young people will live safely in their families and communities.
- Children will be cared for if they need to be and will have a permanent home as soon as possible.
- We will improve outcomes for pupils at risk of poor educational outcomes
- All young people, including our most vulnerable, will have choices in their education, employment and training.

Our behaviours

We will work with children, young people and their families to understand what life is like for them, recognising their strengths and aspirations.

We will work together as one team, building strength within our relationships – we will make decisions jointly.

We will celebrate the achievements of the whole network and learn from the actions that we all take.