## What is Independent Visiting?





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- Reconstruct is an independent organisation and is NOT part of social services or the management of the school.
- Reconstruct Children's Services were set up in 2001 and have a proven track record in providing excellent services for children and young people.
- Reconstruct puts children at the heart of everything we do.
- Reconstruct are friendly, approachable and flexible.
- Independent visitors are volunteers who are recruited, trained and supported by Reconstruct.
- A simple referral form needs to be completed.
- There is no waiting list.
- Young people will have a say in the type of person they would like.
- You can contact us directly, at any time if you have any questions about the service.
- If you are unhappy with anything we have a clear and prompt complaints procedure and we act on and take all feedback seriously.
- Our independent visitors are child-led but accountable.

## **Independent Visiting**

- Reconstruct Independent Visitors are caring, fun and trustworthy adults.
- They are independent of family, school and social services- they are just for YOU!
- They take you out and spend quality one to one time with you.
- You get to go to interesting places and try new activities.
- You get to choose the things you do together.
- Independent Visitors will encourage and support you.
- They will help you plan for your future and teach you independent skills.
- They are good role models and can listen and give good advice when you need it.
- Children can opt out or ask for a change of visitor at any time.
- Visitors do not judge.
- They do not tell other people what you have spoken to them about UNLESS they are concerned for your safety or the safety of another young person.
- Independent visiting is a long-term empowering relationship.