

PRIVATE FOSTERING AWARENESS DAY

5th November 2025

What is private fostering?

Private fostering is the term used when someone who is not a parent or a 'close relative' (e.g. great aunt, cousin, parent's friend or a neighbour) is looking after a child or young person under the age of 16 (under 18 if they are disabled) for 28 days or more in their own home.

Why do we raise awareness?

Every child in Luton deserves to feel **safe and supported**, we all share this responsibility. Private fostering is often underreported, leaving some children without the protection they need. By identifying and reporting these arrangements, we can ensure families get the help they deserve. **Our aim is to support, not intrude in arrangements that are working well.**

What if i'm not sure if its a private fostering arrangement?

Come and talk to us!
Second Floor - Town Hall
Extension

We hope to see you on the 5th
Where we will be coming round
with our quiz game & prizes!

Or -

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