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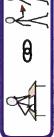
valued, respected and and young people are

happy.

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works with you can:



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An advocate will listen to you when you feel



people are not listening and when you need help.



An advocate can help you tell people what you



want and what is important to you.



We work only for you.



We can help change things.

# Rochdale Children's Rights Service

Rochdale Children's Rights Service is an independent, confidential service that provides advocates to looked after children and young people in Rochdale and those placed out of the Borough.

We assist looked after children and young people in having a voice in decisions that affect their lives. We can help challenge decisions and play a role in making sure that young people's rights are met. We work with young people with various needs using whatever form of communication that allows them to express their views.

Where this is not possible we use non-instructed advocacy.





Non-instructed advocacy is a way of ensuring children and young people with severe communication impairments and physical/learning disabilities have a voice.

The advocate forms a picture of how the young person communicates using information from people who know them well. Then they observe the behaviour of the young person to gauge their views on a