**YP’s Electronic Safeguarding Agreement**

**Foster Carer**

I know that the Internet can be a wonderful place for young people to visit. If my young person encounters unsafe situations and tells me, I will handle each situation with maturity and good sense, without blaming anyone and will calmly work through it with my young person to ensure safer internet experiences in the future. I am committed to do all I can to keep them safe online and I agree to the following rules:

1. I will get to know the services and websites my young person uses.
2. I will set reasonable guidelines for computer use and will discuss these rules and post them near the computer if necessary as a reminder.
3. I will not overreact if my young person tells me about something ‘bad’ he or she finds or does on the internet.
4. I will try to get to know my person’s ‘online friends’ just as I try to get to know their other friends.
5. I will report suspicious or illegal activities and sites to CEOP and Family Fostering.
6. I will make or find a list of recommended sites for young people.
7. I will frequently check to see which sites my young person has visited.
8. I will seek options for filtering and blocking inappropriate material.
9. I will regularly talk to my young person about their online explorations and engage in them as often as I can.

**Carer signature(s) Date**

**Young Person’s Agreement**

I know that the Internet can be a wonderful place to visit. I also know that it is important for me to follow rules that will keep me safe on my visits. I agree to the following rules:

1. I will choose a safe and sensible screen name for myself that will not reveal personal information about my family or me.
2. I will keep my password private, except from my foster carer. I will not sign up for other e-mail accounts without my foster carer’s approval.
3. I will not put my personal information in my profile. I will not share my personal information of that of the foster carers or any other family member, in any way shape or form, online or with someone I meet online. This includes, but is not limited to name, address, telephone number, age or school name.
4. I will use good manners online, including good language and respect. I will not pick fights or use threatening or mean words.
5. I will make my own personal safety my priority, since I know there are some people online who pretend to be something they’re not.
6. I will be honest with my foster carers about people I meet online and will tell them, without having to be asked, about these people. I won’t answer any e-mails or instant messages from anyone my foster carer has not approved.
7. If I see or read things that are hurtful or upsetting, I will tell my foster carer so they can make sure it never happens again.
8. I will tell my foster carer if I receive pictures, links to bad sites, e-mails or instant messages with bad language, or if I’m chatting where people are using swear words, mean, hateful or sexual language.
9. I will not send anything to anyone I’ve met online, without my carer’s okay. If I get something from someone I’ve met online, I’ll tell my carer immediately (because this means they have my private information).
10. I will not do anything that someone I’ve met online asks me to, especially when I know it’s something my foster carer would not approve of.
11. I will not call, write a letter or meet in person anyone who I’ve met online without my foster carer’s approval or without my foster carer coming with me.
12. I understand my foster carer will supervise my time online and use software to monitor or limit where I go online. They’re doing this because they love and protect me.
13. I will teach my foster carer more about the internet so that we can enjoy it together.

I agree to the above.

**Young Person’s Signature N/A**

**Supervising social worker…………………………. Date ……………………..**