Parent and Child Placement Working Agreement between Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council and PARENT (using information drawn from preparation and checklist)

1. Purpose of the Placement

- To assess parent's ability to safely meet child's daily needs with support and supervision
- To offer parent advice and support and modelling of safe, caring, effective parenting

2. What the Local Authority will be assessing

Examples

- Parent's ability to follow and adapt parenting advice to meet their child's needs
- Parents ability to budget
- Parents ability to access identified counselling support etc

3. Roles and Responsibilities

Examples

- The Local Authority will hold weekly meetings involving all relevant professionals, parent and carers to review and adapt support and assessment plan.
- At weekly review meetings it will be agreed by all any changes to the plan e.g unsupervised time out of placement, use of baby monitors.
- Supervising social worker will support foster carer by...
- Family Nurse Partnership will continue to..
- Social worker will..

4. Expectations of Foster carers

Examples:

- To provide a stable, safe and nurturing home environment
- Encouragement and support to access health services
- Be responsible for ensuring parent responds to child's basic needs appropriately and offer advice, support and modelling when requested (or required)
- To provide daily recording sheets

5. Expectations of Parents

Examples:

- To engage with all support/ direct work that is offered in the placement
- to not use any illegal substances
- depending on financial circumstances, to provide formula, nappies, baby toliletries etc

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6. Household rules to include financial arrangements

Examples

- Use of washing machine
- Expectations of bedroom tidiness/ cleanliness
- Cooking/ shared meals/ food shopping
- smoking

7. Children's routines and health needs

Examples

 Who is responsible for booking and attending health appointments/ innoculatons

8. Parents time out from placement

Including arrangements for baby sitting

9. Contingency Planning

Examples:

In the event of any of the following

- Physical violence
- Use of drugs or alcohol

Parent will be asked to leave the placement should these concerns be significant in relation to the immediate or future safety and welfare of the child

The LA will hold an urgent review meeting with regards to concerns and future actions.

10. Support

Examples:

- Supervising social worker will provide foster carers with reflective supervision and any additional support sessions or training needs that may be identified
- Family Support Worker will provide direct parenting support to parents 2x a week.
- Allocated social worker will continue to offer support and guidance, chair weekly review meetings, in addition to statutory visits