

# Our Manchester, Our Children



## Building a safe, happy, healthy and successful future for children and young people.

Children matter in Manchester. The strategy for the city puts children and young people at the heart of its vision for the future. That means making commitments to open up new opportunities for education, work, leisure and family life that will benefit every child in the city.

To do this we need to work together – with children, residents and local services, and across public services like the Council, health services, housing and the police, to do everything we can to build a safe, happy, healthy and successful future for Manchester's children and young people.

This plan outlines how we are going to do that – the things we'll all focus on and the ways we will all work.

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#### Our priorities

We want children and young people to be:

- Safe
- Happy
- Healthy
- Successful.

### Our principles

To achieve that we will:

- Be child-centred
- Listen to and respond to children and young people
- Focus on strengths and resilience
- Early action.

#### Our passions

The things we need to focus on to deliver this plan are:

- Children and young people living in stable, safe and loving homes
- Safely reducing the number of children and young people who are in care
- Children and young people having the best start in the first years of life
- Children and young people fulfilling their potential.

#### Our behaviours

In everything we do we'll make sure that:

- We work together and trust each other
- We're proud and passionate about Manchester
- We take time to listen and understand
- We 'own it' and aren't afraid to try new things.



