



BIRTH
FAMILY
MATTERS

A support service for
birth relatives affected
by adoption

Independent | Confidential | Free



families for children
adoption

What we do

Birth Family Matters offers birth relatives a chance to talk. If you have a child in your family that has a plan for adoption, or who has already been adopted we can help by:

- Offering an opportunity to talk about the things that may concern you about adoption – either on the telephone or face to face

- Explaining things you may want or need to know, but have not been able to ask

- Advising you on managing difficult feelings or an event you are worried about

- Supporting you to meet prospective adopters, or at goodbye visits with children or similar

- Making links with other people who can support you or who have had a similar experience

- Finding services and support for other difficulties you may have

What we cannot do

We cannot stop the adoption.

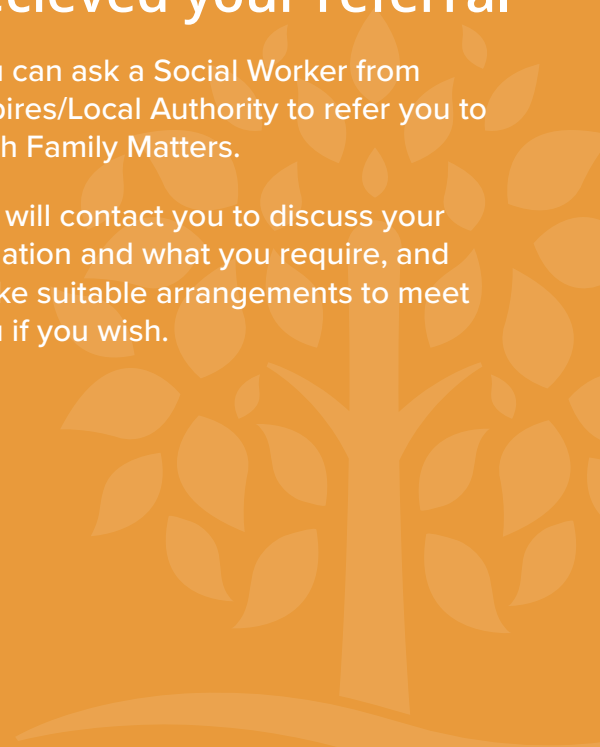
If you are intending to oppose the Local Authority plan for your child, you will need to seek legal advice.

We do not offer an out of hours service.

Once we have received your referral

You can ask a Social Worker from Aspires/Local Authority to refer you to Birth Family Matters.

We will contact you to discuss your situation and what you require, and make suitable arrangements to meet you if you wish.



Who we are

About Us

Families for Children is a well-established voluntary agency with offices across the South West.

We specialise in all aspects of adoption work. Birth Family Matters is an independent project working with birth relatives affected by adoption.

Your information is highly confidential and stored on a secure, stand-alone database with limited access to named staff only.

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