

Annex C - Local Authority Service Pupil Champion Role Description

Key responsibilities of the role

- To act as the authority's strategic lead for children from armed forces families, focusing on maintaining an overview of Children's Services activities for armed forces children in their early years up until the conclusion of their secondary phase schooling
- To coordinate activities of the authority that support armed forces children to achieve positive outcomes and destinations
- To coordinate the delivery and implementation of a Children's Services-wide strategic plan for armed forces children, which influences and informs the policies and practices of local schools
- To champion and advocate for the needs of armed forces children, ensuring all relevant local authority teams and services have sufficient understanding of the needs and context of local armed forces children in their area
- To work with local academies and free schools to ensure a consistency of offer for armed forces children
- To gather, collate and report on relevant cross-discipline data that tracks the outcomes of armed forces children within the local authority area, ensuring that the reporting of progress and outcomes data has exposure to the appropriate level of strategic and political scrutiny
- To engage with regional and national networks of other local authority Service Child Champions, to share knowledge and contribute to a deepening national evidence base of how local authority services can get it right for armed forces children
- To be the main point of contact between local military commands and the local authority, ensuring the local authority is able to plan proactively for deployments affecting local armed forces families and for major military mobility requiring the strategic management of transition
- To work collegiately with families from the local Armed Forces Community to establish and deliver upon a Services child promise/charter/local offer