

Fostering teenagers video transcript

[At the top left of the image a Durham County Council logo followed by the text 'Fostering in Durham | Fostering Teenagers' is displayed. Both are visible throughout the video.]

[Low soft background music plays throughout the video.]

[Video still image: Head and shoulders view of an older man sitting beside a teenager on a bench with greenery behind it. The man is on the right of the image and the teenager on the left. The man is dressed in a blue and white long-sleeved check 'lumber-jack' shirt and the teenager in a mainly grey, long-sleeved sweatshirt with orange and cream patches of colour on the shoulders. They are both sat very relaxed, leaning slightly forward with hands resting on knees, looking at each others eyes and laughing together.

At the base of the image, large white text reads

'Be the reason...

their lives change'.

The text 'their lives change' is set on the line below, on an orange band which goes the full width of the image and has a Durham County Council logo at the righthand side.]

[Sue Ellis]

[Head and shoulder video of Sue sitting on a dark coloured couch. Sue has her hair tied back, and is wearing a white, round neck, long sleeved blouse with a blue butterfly pattern.]

[Sue]

I think sometimes people have the wrong perception of teenagers. They automatically think 'Oh! Teenagers are trouble' and they are not, sometimes all that they want is someone to be able to understand them, to communicate with them and you have to have a great sense of humour.

You have to be able to sort of laugh with them cry with them and just let them know you are not here to judge them, you are here to listen them and to help them, and more often than not you are a mentor for them."

[Text on screen, white text with an orange background:]

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