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**Dear Parents and Guardians** 

## **Supported Carer Campaign**

East Renfrewshire Council is running a campaign to ask residents with a spare bedroom if they could welcome a young person from East Renfrewshire aged 16-21, into a loving home.

You may remember that we previously ran a successful campaign to recruit foster carers for younger children — this new campaign, for supported carers, will help us find much needed homes for care-experienced young people to grow into adulthood in the local area, supported by a caring family, person or couple.

Some care-experienced young people may need support before they move to full, independent living or may benefit from living within a family while they attend college or university. Others simply need a caring home to guide them into adulthood.

Carers for these young people do not need to have a family or raising one, or be in a relationship, own their own home or have to give up work. We will provide you training and ongoing support as well as a generous allowance.

Being placed with the right carers will give East Renfrewshire's young people the opportunity to continue their education or employment, keep their circle of friends and give them the stability to thrive within a home with adults that can give them the love and support they need.

To find out more, and to hear first-hand from our current foster carers and young people, go to <a href="https://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/foster">www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/foster</a> - you can also call our team on 0141 577 8300.

Fostering and supported carers is rewarding and life changing. Be amazing - help our young people grow.

Yours sincerely

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