

## **Responsible for someone else's child?**

### **Private fostering - tell NYCC about it!**

The safety and well-being of all our children is paramount; this includes where children are being cared for by someone who is not a close relative.

**Private fostering describes an arrangement where someone who is not a close relative (step-parent by marriage, grandparent, brother, sister, uncle or aunt) cares for another person's child for more than 28 days.** Although this is done by private arrangement, **legally** the parent and the carer must notify the local authority where the child is going to live so that Social Care can make sure that the child is being properly looked after.

For more information on Private Fostering visit North Yorkshire County Council's website at <http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/24446/Private-fostering>