

Mapping

ADOPTION

Support in Scotland

Part 2: A guide to support services across Scotland

About the Mapping Adoption Support project

Adoption is a major life event with long-term implications for children and their adoptive and birth families. Adoption support that is effective, timely and accessible can play an important role in helping to mitigate the challenges that may face anyone affected by adoption.

Ten years on from the introduction of legislation designed to improve access to adoption support (Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007), the Mapping Adoption Support project set out to document what adoption support looks like in Scotland now. To date there has been no systematic mapping and analysis of support services currently available for adopted children, adoptive families and birth parents.

As a first step towards addressing this gap, AFA Scotland and Adoption UK Scotland have undertaken a scoping study funded by Scottish Government, based on online surveys of a) the adoption support services provided by local authorities and voluntary organisations and b) adoptive parents' experiences of accessing adoption support. The surveys were circulated via AFA Scotland and Adoption UK Scotland's networks in 2018.

About this guide

This guide outlines adoption support services across Scotland, based on data provided by agencies and organisations in late 2018/early 2019. It provides an overview of services provided across the country, and a breakdown for each geographical area of Scotland. It aims to provide a starting point for anyone affected by adoption who is seeking support.

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in Scotland

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 Helpline 0131 322 8500, open Monday-Friday 10am-2.30pm

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Adoption UK Scotland – Who are we? A voluntary and membership organisation that offers information, advice and support, we work with adoptive families from across Scotland. The advice and information that we give to families regarding their rights, encourage knowledge of local council or agency policy guidelines.

The services that we offer include a front line helpline service that parents can use to seek support for their adopted children, emotional support for parents, peer groups run by experienced adoptive parent volunteers, and training workshops and resources. We also campaign on matters that directly affect the lives of adoptive families in Scotland.

Adoption UK Scotland also houses TESSA (Therapeutic Education and Support Services in Adoption) and the FASD Hub that collectively provide therapeutic support services for children and families across Scotland. For help, advice and signposting relating to any aspect of adoption contact the Helpline, open Monday to Friday, 10am – 2.30pm – 0131 322 8500.

AFA Scotland

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The Adoption and Fostering Alliance (AFA) Scotland is an independent, charitable organisation dedicated to improving outcomes for children in care by providing support to all those working in the field of adoption, fostering and the care of looked after children.

AFA Scotland's multi-disciplinary team has a wealth of experience and up-to-date expertise in adoption and fostering practice and delivers a wide range of training, consultancy, workshops and conferences to assist professionals to develop the knowledge and skills they require when working in this specialist area. The team also provides direct services to agencies, including chairing adoption panels, appeal panels, disruption meetings, and running case consultation sessions. An emphasis is placed in all AFA Scotland's work on the need for a multi-disciplinary approach that enables social workers, lawyers, health professionals and educators to work effectively across professional boundaries to meet the needs of children and their carers.

AFA Scotland provides members with timely, authoritative information and advice including:

- Scotland specific advice on legal, health and child placement dilemmas, including enquiries relating to adoption, fostering, kinship care, and cross-border/inter-country adoptions;
- Access to research expertise through AFA Scotland's Research Associate;
- A dedicated day every week (currently every Friday) where the AFA Scotland legal consultant is available to practitioners for advice and information.


To seek advice call 0131 322 8490 or email at info@afascotland.com




Aberdeen City

**Permanent Carers Team
Alternative Family Care
Integrated Children and Family Service
Aberdeen City Council
Quarry Centre
Cummings Park Crescent
Aberdeen AB16 7AS**










For support services available nationally see pages 39-43

 adoptfost@aberdeencity.gov.uk

 01224 694554

- Services are offered to:**
- Adoptive parents
 - Adopted children and young people
 - Siblings by adoption
 - Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
 - Adopted adults
 - Birth mothers
 - Birth fathers
 - Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic support
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Group work
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline 8.30am - 5pm

Additional information:

- A dedicated adoption support worker provides the above support.
- Access to a range of post adoption training events throughout the year.

- Access to a monthly drop-in post adoption support group as well as targeted group work sessions throughout the year.

Aberdeenshire

Aberdeenshire Council
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Aberdeenshire AB51 3AB

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☎ 01467 532800

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- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling (via external agencies)
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline
	Adoption Network Groups with a range of topics/speakers/activities
	Family fun days
	Facebook page (shared with Fostering Service)



Angus

**Angus Council
Bruce House
Wellgate
Arbroath
Angus DD11 3TP**

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☎ 01241 465699

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Services are offered to:

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- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
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- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support

Additional information:

- Adoption support groups: one for approved adopters and one for adopted children and their adoptive parents.
- Adopters are linked with a 'mentor/buddy' (an experienced adopter) when they are approved.

Argyll & Bute

**Argyll & Bute Council
Dolphin Hall Annexe
Manse Avenue
Dunoon
Argyll PA23 8DQ**

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✉ fpduty@argyll-bute.gov.uk








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- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work (via SASS)
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Telephone helpline

Additional information:

- Some services offered via referral to Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service

Clackmannanshire

Clackmannanshire Council
Kilncraigs
Greenside Street
Alloa FK10 1EB









✉ fosteradopt@clacks.gov.uk

☎ 01259 225 000

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Services include:

	Individual support
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling (via external agencies)
	Group work programmes
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Additional information:

- Services offered via referral to ADAPT Scotland, Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service, Post Adoption Central Support and Birthlink.
- Adopters are offered membership of Post Adoption Central Support.

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Comhairle nan Eilean Siar






**Comhairle nan Eilean Siar
Education and Children's Services
St Lennan's Centre
22-24 Point Street
Stornoway
Isle of Lewis HS1 2XF**

For support services available nationally see pages 39-43

✉ fosteringandadoption@cne-siar.gov.uk

☎ 01851 822 749

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers


Additional information:

- Also liaise with other colleagues/organisations to offer additional services, e.g. support with education, art therapy.







Dumfries & Galloway

Children, Young People and Lifelong Learning
Dumfries and Galloway Council
122-124 Irish Street
Dumfries DG1 2PB

 familyplacementteam@dumgal.gov.uk

 01387 273600

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling (via external agencies)
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Additional information:

- Offer a drop-in service once a week for adopters seeking support, advice and guidance.

Dundee

**Dundee City Council
Linlathen Resource Centre
1 Rowntree Crescent
Dundee DD4 8EY**

✉ dave.macrae@dundeecity.gov.uk

☎ 01382 436060






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- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
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- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling (via external agencies)
	Group work programmes


Additional information:


- Dedicated adoption support worker provides the above services.
- Support group for adopters runs 4 times a year.









East Ayrshire

East Ayrshire Council
15 Strand Street
Kilmarnock
East Ayrshire KA1 1HU

 fosteringandadoption@east-ayrshire.gov.uk

 0800 434 6633

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Additional information:
• Locally shared adoption support group for the three Ayrshire local authority areas.

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East Dunbartonshire

East Dunbartonshire Council
Southbank House
1 Strathkelvin Place
Kirkintilloch G66 1XH

✉ CPPT.socialwork@eastdunbarton.gov.uk

☎ 0141 777 3003








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Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Group work programmes
	Telephone helpline


Additional information:


- Following assessment, adoption support is offered via referral Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Project



East Lothian

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Randall House
Macmerry Business Park
Macmerry
East Lothian EH33 1RW**

 communityresources@eastlothian.gov.uk

 01620 827643

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Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Additional information:

- Some services provided by Adoption UK Scotland, and at times Scottish Adoption and St. Andrew's Children's Society
- Adoptive parents provided with one year's membership of Adoption UK Scotland/New Family Social

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support
	Support group for adopters on regular basis
	Family fun days
	On-going training days/evenings
	Moderated internet chatroom

- Adoptive parents have access to library of adoption-related books
- Regular emails to adoptive parents with information about internal and external services and other relevant information









East Renfrewshire

**East Renfrewshire Council
Health and Social Care Partnership
Drumby Crescent
Glasgow G76 7HN**

✉ adoptionfostering@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk

☎ 0141 421 0721

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Group work programmes
	Telephone helpline

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers

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Additional information:

- Offer adoption support group for adoptive families.
- Offer origins counselling for birth family members.
- Some services offered via referral to Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service.



Edinburgh

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Family Based Care
Westfield House
7 Kirk Loan
Edinburgh EH12 7HD

✉ adoptchild@edinburgh.gov.uk

☎ 0800 174 833

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Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling (via external agencies)
	Group work programmes
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline
	Support with education (via external agencies)
	Newsletters
	Workshops/training programmes
	Support groups: Drop-in; Dad's Group; Single Adopters
	Family fun days
	Children's groups
	Theraplay for groups and individuals

Falkirk

**Children's Service
Falkirk Council
Sealock House
2 Inchyra Rd
Grangemouth FK3 9XB**






✉ fosteringandadoptionteam@falkirk.gov.uk

☎ 01620 827643

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Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Additional information:

- Some services offered via referral to Post Adoption Central Support, Group for Adopted People and Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service

For support services available via PACS see page 40



Fife

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 Rothesay Place
 Glenrothes
 Fife KY7 5PG**

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Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling (via external agencies)
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline



Glasgow

**Glasgow City Council HSCP
Families for Children
Martyrs School
17 Parsons Street
Glasgow G4 0PX**








✉ families.children@sw.glasgow.gov.uk

☎ 0141 420 5555

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support
	Training and workshops

Additional information:

- Some services offered via referral to Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service, Adoption UK Scotland and Includem.
- Adoptive parents provided with one year's membership of Adoption UK Scotland.
- Dedicated worker who oversees contact after adoption.
- Host an annual celebration day for all adoptive families.



Highland

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Glenurquhart Road
Inverness
Highland IV3 5NX**

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Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers

Services include:

	Individual support
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support
	Support with education (via external agencies)

Additional information:

- Provide a monthly consultation service and an adoption forum for adopters.
- Some services are commissioned from other providers, including independent psychologist, independent counsellor, Birthlink and Scottish Adoption.



Inverclyde

Inverclyde Council
Inverclyde Health and Social Care Partnership
7 - 8 Clyde Square
Greenock
PA15 1NB

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☎ 01475 715367

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Additional information:

- Birth Ties Support Project - offers support to any birth family member affected by adoption, including advice and counselling, practical support and support with life story and contact
- Make referrals to Birthlink

Services include:


	Individual support
	Family work
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support
	Newsletters
	Training sessions
	Adoption support group
	Invites to social activities – annual summer trip and winter party
	'Buddying' information exchange
	Adoption allowances
	Support liaising with other agencies



Midlothian

**Midlothian Council
Children and Families Centre
7 Eskdail Court
Dalkeith EH22 1AG**

 rachel.mitchell@midlothian.gov.uk

 0131 2706 795

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Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Residential opportunities
	Peer mentoring or support



Moray

Placement Services


Moray Council


Rose Cottage

PO Box 9760

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Moray IV30 9BX







 dutyfosteringadoption@moray.gov.uk

 01343 563325

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling



North Ayrshire

**North Ayrshire Council
Bridgeway House
Bridgeway
Irvine KA12 8BD**

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✉ westroadsecure@north-ayrshire.gov.uk

☎ 01294 310300 (option 4, then option 1, for Adoption and Fostering Team)

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Group work
	Telephone helpline
	Library and resources
	Training courses

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Additional information:

- Some services offered via referral to Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service.
- Some services are commissioned from other agencies or individuals.



North Lanarkshire

**Health and Social Care
North Lanarkshire Council
Children's Carers Team
7 Mitchell Street
Airdrie
North Lanarkshire ML6 0AB**

✉ thomasa@northlan.gov.uk

☎ 01236 757062

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Group work programmes
	Residential opportunities
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline


Additional information:


- Also make referrals to other agencies, such as Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service.



Orkney Islands

**Family Placement Team
Orkney Health and Care
School Place
Kirkwall
Orkney
KW15 1NY**

 foster.adoption@orkney.gov.uk

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- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic support
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Family fun days
	Group work
	Peer mentoring or support
	Residential opportunities

Additional information:

- Also make referrals to other agencies, such as Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service.

Perth & Kinross


Education & Children's Services


Perth & Kinross Council

Lewis Place

2 North Muirton

Perth PH1 3TU

 adoptionenquiries@pkc.gov.uk

 01738 472260



Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support
	Support group (approx. four times a year); Adoptive Dad's group
	Family fun days twice a year

Additional information:

- Support may be offered by/with another team within the council
- Family Change Project in Perth is a therapeutic service for children and adults who have experienced trauma, including adoptive families



Renfrewshire

Renfrewshire Council
Abbey House
8 Seedhill Road
Paisley
Renfrewshire PA1 1JT

✉ childrenandfamilies@renfrewshire.gov.uk








☎ 0300 3001199

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Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers

Services include:

	Individual support
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support
	Adoption support group/drop-in every 2-3 months
	Support for birth parents to help with letterbox contact/information exchange

Additional information:

- Some services offered via referral to Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service

Scottish Borders

Scottish Borders Council
Paton Street
Galalshiels TD1 3AJ

✉ cypsresources@scotborders.gov.uk

☎ 01896 662799

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Services include:

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	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline
	Family fun days
	On-going training days/evenings
	Moderated internet chatroom

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Additional information:

- Services provided via Adoption UK Scotland.
- Adoptive parents are provided with one year's membership of Adoption UK Scotland.

- Therapeutic support provided by external organisations, for example ADAPT Scotland, DPP Network.



Shetland Islands

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Shetland Islands Council
Children's Resources
Hayfield House
Hayfield Lane
Lerwick
Shetland ZE1 0QD**

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- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers

Services include:


	Work with children and young people
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Peer mentoring or support
	Family fun days
	Newsletters
	Theraplay for groups and individuals


Additional information:

- Also provide training to schools around adoption.

South Ayrshire

**South Ayrshire Council
Social Work Department
Fostering and Adoption Team
Whitletts Area Centre
181 Whitletts Road
Ayr KA8 0JQ**

 familyplacementadmin@south-ayrshire.gov.uk


 0129 2267 675



Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic support
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Peer mentoring or support
	Group work
	Telephone helpline

Additional information:

- Some services offered via referral to Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service.



South Lanarkshire

**South Lanarkshire Council
Civic Centre
Andrew Street
East Kilbride G74 1AB**

✉ familyplacement@southlanarkshire.gov.uk



0303 123 1008

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Additional information:

- Some services offered via Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service
- Adoption support groups arranged up to 6 times per year
- Counsellor within team provides support to adoptive parents, children, young people and birth parents.

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Group work programmes
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline
	Enhanced adoptive parenting training
	Adoption support group
	Social events twice a year for adoptive families and children
	Moderated internet chatroom



Stirling

**Stirling Council Social Services
Raploch Community Campus
Drip Road
Stirling FK8 1RD**







✉ adoption-fostering@stirling.gov.uk

☎ 01786 471177

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Adoption support groups for adoptive parents

Additional information:

- Adopters become members of PACS (Post Adoption Central Support) on registration
- Also have links with GAP (Group for Adopted People)


For support services available via PACS see page 40









West Dunbartonshire

**Adoption and Permanence Team
Health and Social Care Partnership
West Dunbartonshire Council
Aurora House
3 Aurora Avenue
Clydebank G81 1BF**

 dutymailboxfosteringandadoptionteam@west-dunbarton.gov.uk

 01389 776414

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Letterbox contact
	Post adoption support group

Services are offered to:

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- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Additional information:

- Most adoption support services offered via Barnardo's Scottish Adoption Support Service
- Also make referrals to CAMHS/ Young People in Mind

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West Lothian

**West Lothian Council
Family Placement Team
Strathbrock Centre
189a West Main Street
Broxburn
West Lothian EH52 5LH**

✉ fostercare@westlothian.gov.uk

☎ 01506 284440, option 3








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- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Group work programmes
	Support with education

Additional information:

- Some services offered via referral to external agencies.

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Barnardo's Scotland Adoption Support Service

**Barnardo's Adoption Services
(Head Office)**
Academy Park, Gower Street
Glasgow G51 1PR

**Barnardo's Adoption Services
(East)**
Birch House, 10 Bankhead Crossway South
Edinburgh EH11 4EP

**Barnardo's Adoption Services
(North)**
20 Carden Place
Aberdeen AB10 1UQ

✉ sass@barnardos.org.uk












0141 419 4700

http://www.barnardos.org.uk/what_we_do/scotland.htm

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children
- Birth relatives (searches)

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Origins counselling, searching and reunions
	Adoption counselling
	Group work programmes
	Telephone helpline

Additional information:

- Offer adoption support services to adoptive parents who adopted through Barnardo's Scotland.
- Also commissioned to offer adoption support for 14 local authorities across Scotland and to others on a spot purchase basis.
- Offer additional services in relation to intermediary services, consultations, disruptions, and search and reunions.

Post Adoption Central Support

PACS Co-ordinator/Secretary: Rena Phillips, independent social worker

✉ renaphillips@hotmail.com



01259 781 545

www.postadoptioncentralsupport.org

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults

Services include:



Individual support



Telephone helpline

Additional information:

- Offer support on an individual basis, awareness raising, PACS publications on attachment, support with education, training opportunities and social events.
- Offer support via contract with three local authorities (Stirling, Clackmannanshire and Falkirk).

St Andrew's Children's Society

7 John's Place Leith
Edinburgh EH6 7EL

✉ info@standrews-children.org.uk








☎ 01224 878158

www.standrews-children.org.uk

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Group work programmes

Additional information:

- Offer support to adoptive parents who adopted through SACS, and sometimes services for other adoptive parents by arrangement with other agencies.
- Offer specialist support including SafeBase Parenting Programme for adoptive parents.

St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society

26 Newton Place
Glasgow G3 7PY

✉ info@stmargaretsadoption.org.uk

☎ 0141 332 8371

www.stmargaretsadoption.org.uk

Services are offered to:

- Adoptive parents
- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children
- Education Staff

Additional information:

- Therapeutic Playgroup offered to all families in the early stages of placement, including weekly Bookbug sessions
- Regular training events for adopters including; Therapeutic parenting, Life Story Work, Adoption in Adolescence.
- Teen Group offering peer support and respite through activities and self-development

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Family music and art sessions
	Therapeutic support
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Origins counselling, searching and reunions
	Adoption counselling
	Group work programmes
	Relatives workshops
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline
	Regular family and social events

- Education Service offering training and support to schools and nurseries to understand the long-term effects of childhood trauma
- Therapy Centre offering a range of therapeutic supports including; play therapy, psychotherapy, Theraplay and counselling

Scottish Adoption

161 Constitution Street
Leith
Edinburgh EH6 7AD

✉ info@scottishadoption.org

☎ 0131 553 5060

www.scottishadoption.org

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- Adopted children and young people
- Siblings by adoption
- Adoptive family members, e.g. grandparents by adoption
- Adopted adults
- Birth mothers
- Birth fathers
- Birth siblings of adopted children

Services include:

	Individual support
	Work with children and young people
	Family work
	Therapeutic interventions
	Support with contact and information exchange
	Adoption counselling
	Group work programmes
	Residential opportunities
	Peer mentoring or support
	Telephone helpline

Additional information:

- Offer support to adoptive parents who adopted through Scottish Adoption
- Also offer support for four local authorities to adoptive parents, birth mothers considering relinquishing their baby, adopted adults and birth family members.

- Adoption Therapy Centre offers a range of therapeutic supports, including music therapy, art therapy, occupational therapy (sensory integration), theraplay and adoptive parent peer support.

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Part 2: A guide to support services across Scotland

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