

# BRISTOL



## CHILDREN'S CHARTER



**The rights and best interests of children and young people are a priority for decision makers in Bristol. Together we will strive to make ours a city where:**

- 1 Children are safe and protected from all forms of violence and abuse
- 2 Children live in warm homes and no child is hungry
- 3 Children can make choices that benefit their health and happiness and have the best possible health, with access to facilities and services for the treatment of illness
- 4 Children have access to welcoming, clean, safe neighbourhoods and parks to meet friends and play
- 5 Children have access to, and benefit from, Bristol as a leading cultural, social and sporting city and can grow up with a sense of belonging and pride in their city
- 6 Children have access to an education that develops their potential both in what they learn and who they become, so that they have skills for life and work
- 7 Children have the skills to thrive and be safe in an ever changing digital world
- 8 Children have the opportunity to influence the decisions of city leaders and contribute to creating the city they want to live, study and play in
- 9 Children are supported to live in safe and healthy families as they grow up in a city that supports parent, carers and family members
- 10 Children have the opportunity to learn about the world around them, to take part in intergenerational activities and be a part of their global community

The Bristol Children's Charter is aligned with the principles of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. It applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.

No single organisation or agency can make enough progress towards these aspirations alone. Partners commit to working together to deliver this vision for all children to create a thriving city that is good for everyone. We will invest our resources so that we protect and provide for the most vulnerable children and young people in our city to reduce the inequalities that exist.

