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To:	All County Councillors
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RSVP: Launch of exhibition celebrating children's dreams and aspirations

You're invited to the launch of an art exhibition, created by children and young people looked after in Somerset, on Tuesday 17 May 2016.

Children and teenagers aged 11 to 16, who are currently living in Foster Care, are working with local art volunteers to create artworks colourfully infused with their 'Dreams and Aspirations'. The exhibition coincides with Foster Care Fortnight (16 to 29 May 2016), which highlights the vital role Foster Carers play supporting vulnerable children and young people. Around 600 new carers are needed in the South West in 2016 alone.

In Somerset, as reflected elsewhere in the UK, one of our greatest needs is for Foster Carers to support secondary school-age children. The exhibition wants to celebrate the children and young people's dreams and hopes for the future, and their individual expressions, through a positive, creative experience.

To confirm you, and any guests, would like to come to the launch event, 5.30pm to 7pm, Tuesday 17 May at Taunton's Brewhouse Theatre, please email dblacklock@somerset.gov.uk by Wednesday 11 May 2016.

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