

Pre-Hearing visits and information materials for Children, Young People and Parents/Carers

Improving the participation and engagement of children, young people and families in the Children's Hearings System within SCRA

Pre-Hearing visits

In 2015, as part of SCRA's commitment to improving children, young people and families' experience of attending Children's Hearings, SCRA created a [guide](#) for Social Workers to ensure that they are aware of the variety of information mediums available to improve children, young people and families' understanding of, and participation in, a Children's Hearing.

SCRA now offers 'Pre-Hearing visits' to any child or young person who requests this. They will be shown around the Hearings centre by a Reporter or member of staff and will be provided with an information pack to familiarise themselves with what to expect.



Information materials

SCRA has also created various information leaflets, booklets, films and podcasts for children and young people.

In addition, there are dedicated sections on our website, including:

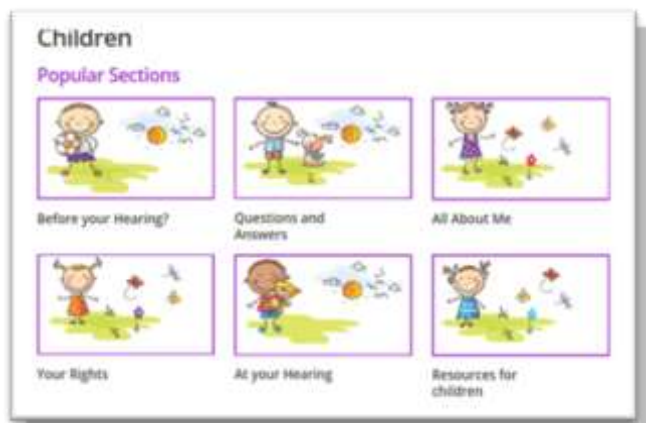
- Children
- Young People
- Information for Parents & Carers

There is also a section for professionals working in the system, including a dedicated section for social workers.

Most of our information has been created in consultation with Hearings-experienced children, young people and parents/carers.

If you have any questions, please contact your local SCRA office, or Jennifer Orren on 0300 200 1527 or email Jennifer.Orren@scra.gsi.gov.uk

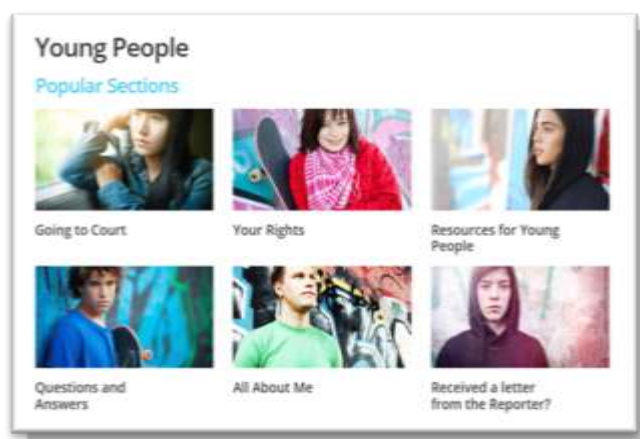
Information for children



- All About Me forms – available online as well as paper copies sent out for each Hearing
- Leaflets on Going to a Children’s Hearing, Compulsory Supervision Orders and Your Rights etc.
- Going to a Children’s Hearings Film
- Pre-Hearing visits and Pre-Hearing packs available upon request
- Chloe and Billy story book

Information for young people

- All About Me forms – available online as well as paper copies sent out for each Hearing
- Leaflets on Going to a Children’s Hearing, Compulsory Supervision Orders and Your Rights etc.
- Podcasts created by young people with experience of the Children’s Hearings System for young people attending a Hearing for the first time
- Going to a Children’s Hearings film
- Going to Court film
- Pre-Hearing visits and pre-Hearing packs available upon request



Information for families, carers and relevant persons



- Information leaflet for parents and carers
- Information guide for foster carers
- Information guide for kinship carers
- Easy-read guides and ROKtalk software available on our website
- Film for parents/carers with learning difficulties

Information for professionals

- Information booklets for newly qualified social workers and teachers
- Information about the Children’s Hearings System and support for children, young people and families