



Children and Families Act 2014

2014 CHAPTER 6

PART 1

ADOPTION AND CONTACT

Contact

8 Contact: children in care of local authorities

- (1) Section 34 of the Children Act 1989 (parental contact etc with children in care) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1), after “subject to the provisions of this section” insert “and their duty under section 22(3)(a)”.
- (3) After subsection (6) insert—

“(6A) Where (by virtue of an order under this section, or because subsection (6) applies) a local authority in England are authorised to refuse to allow contact between the child and a person mentioned in any of paragraphs (a) to (c) of paragraph 15(1) of Schedule 2, paragraph 15(1) of that Schedule does not require the authority to endeavour to promote contact between the child and that person.”
- (4) In subsection (8), before paragraph (a) insert—

“(za) what a local authority in England must have regard to in considering whether contact between a child and a person mentioned in any of paragraphs (a) to (d) of subsection (1) is consistent with safeguarding and promoting the child’s welfare;”.
- (5) In subsection (11) after “Before” insert “making, varying or discharging an order under this section or”.