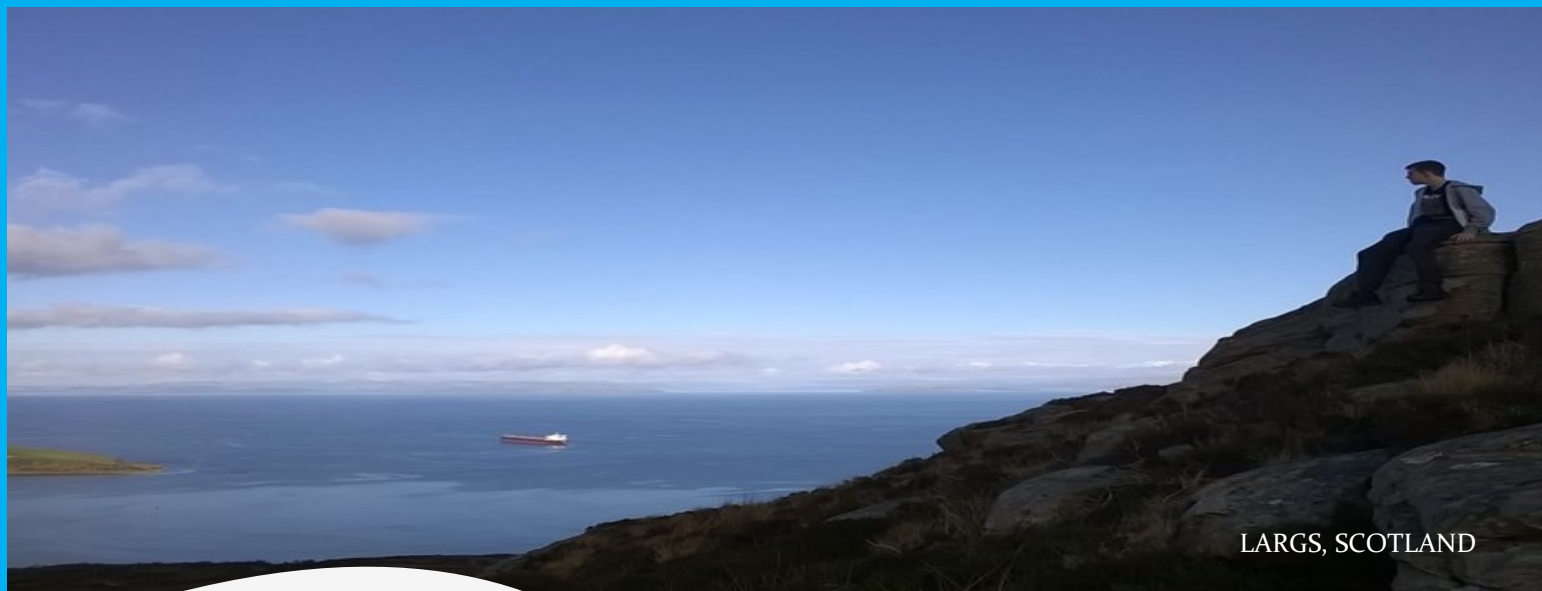


THUNDERBOLT MOBILE



Care practice is underpinned by strong and trusting relationships. Staff engage children in purposeful discussions that help them to understand the risks and concerns relating to past behaviours. Individual key working is used to raise awareness and help each child to make educated and better-informed choices going forward. One child said, 'Staff talk to you and help you see the dangers. It has felt like being on a rollercoaster that has eventually come to a stop. I am a completely different person now, the person I want to be.'

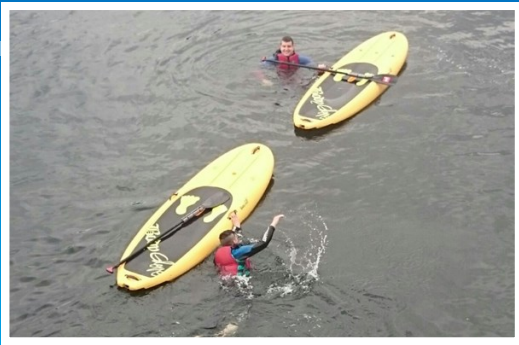
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Care Afloat Thunderbolt Mobile offers extensive and intensive activity based intervention work to offer an innovative programme for young people experiencing a period of difficulty or crisis. This could mean numerous breakdowns in prior placements, disengagement from education or challenging behaviour, including risk taking.



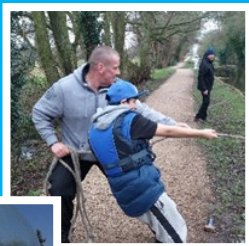
**SAILING FORWARD TO A BRIGHTER FUTURE WITH
CARE AFLOAT THUNDERBOLT MOBILE**



Care Afloat's philosophy of unconditional positive regard will support our young people in enabling their personal and educational development in a safe, secure and nurturing environment.

"I feel staff have done amazing work with the young person and I have no issues only praise for the work the staff have carried out and the significant progress the young person has made."

IRO, Milton Keynes



OUR ETHOS

The ethos of Thunderbolt Mobile is to break the cycles of negative influences and behaviours by providing a warm and nurturing environment that encourages the growth of self-esteem and provides young people with the right tools to allow them to learn and grow. At Thunderbolt Mobile we encourage our young people to care and respect themselves, their environment and others around them. We aim to develop an enthusiasm for learning and enjoying different life experiences whilst working closely with staff.

Thunderbolt Mobile is a fully Registered service with OfSTED and operates to the same standards as any Registered Children's Home. The only difference being that young people placed on the activity programme will have the benefit of being flexible in where they stay overnight and the activities undertaken.

'HIGH STAFFING RATIOS'

Programmes can be anything from 1 to 52 weeks and on occasion this can be longer if appropriate to the needs of the individual young person. A typical placement of 12 weeks however, allows for a full activity programme to be put in place. This type of plan can positively impact in addressing the specific needs and behaviours of individual young people. It also allows adequate time to assess a young person's needs and prepare the young person to move on to either a more traditional placement or into independence.



OUR NARROW BOAT

All young people are given the opportunity to achieve 'Competent Crew' Awards and AQA's.

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OUR YACHT

Locations will vary, as young people will be quite literally 'mobile', using a variety of camping and bunk house facilities, caravans and cottages as well as our narrow boats and yacht. Depending on individual circumstances, the possibilities this allows are almost limitless. We are able to operate anywhere in the UK, and by specific agreement, beyond this.