



Stand Alone  
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### **Leeds Conservatoire's commitment to the Stand Alone Pledge**

Leeds Conservatoire publicly pledges to support students who are estranged from their families and who are studying here without the support of a family network.

We will do this by:

- Providing advice to estranged students on what funding and associated benefits are available to them and support with applying for them.
- Covering the cost of gown hire and photographs at Graduation.
- Giving estranged students an Accommodation Voucher to help with the purchase of start-up items, such as bedding.
- Offering fortnightly mentoring support with a member of our wellbeing team.
- Communicating the support available to estranged students through our work with school and colleges and on our website.
- Training appropriate staff over the next two year, so that they have the knowledge and understanding to support and provide guidance for estranged students.

Our dedicated contact for estranged students is Karen Joyce, Head of Student Services, who can be contacted by email at [k.joyce@leedsconservatoire.ac.uk](mailto:k.joyce@leedsconservatoire.ac.uk) or by telephone at 0113 222 3453.

We are proud to be associated with Stand Alone and to sign this Pledge and look forward to supporting estranged students throughout their time in higher education.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gerry Godley", written over a circular scribble.

Gerry Godley  
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