**Appendix C** **Social Work Statement**

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| **CHILDREN ACT 1989** | Case No: |  |
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION TO DISCHARGE A CARE ORDER**

**FILED ON BEHALF OF**

**HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL**

This statement has been prepared for the court and should be treated as confidential. It must not be shown nor its contents revealed to any person other than a party or a legal advisor to such a party. Such legal advisor may make use of the statement in connection with an application for legal aid.

STATEMENT MADE BY:

JOB TITLE:

OFFICE ADDRESS:

QUALIFICATIONS:

I believe that the facts stated in this statement are true.

Signed Dated

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**1. INTRODUCTION**

**2. FAMILY STRUCTURE**

**3.** **CONCERNS WHCH LED TO THE CARE PROCEEDINGS**

**4. CARE PLAN**

**5.** **REASONS FOR THE APPLICATION**

**6. RELEVANT INFORMATION ARISING FROM SAFEGUARDING CHECKS**

**7. UP TO DATE INFORMATION FROM OTHER RELEVANT SERVICES INVOLVED WITH THE CHILD AND FAMILY INCLUDING SCHOOL, NURSERY, HEALTH, EDUCATION, CAMHS, YOT, DRUG SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ETC**

**8. CONSIDERATION OF THE WELFARE CHECKLIST FACTORS**

8.1 ***Section 1(3)(a):- The ascertainable wishes and feelings of the child concerned (considered in the light of his/her age and understanding):***

8.2 ***Section 1(3)(b):- His/her physical, emotional and educational needs:***

8.3 ***Section 1(3)(c):- The likely effect on him/her of any change in his/her circumstances***.

8.4 ***Section 1(3)(d):- His/her age, sex, background and any characteristics of his/her which the Court considers relevant.***

8.5 ***Section 1(3)(e):- Any harm which he/she has suffered or is at risk of suffering.***

8.6 ***Section 1(3)(f): How capable each of his/her parents, and any other person in relation to whom the Court considers the question to be relevant, is of meeting his/her needs.***

8.7 ***Section 1(3)(g):- The range of powers available to the Court under this Act in the proceedings in question.***

**9.** **ANY OUTSTANDING CONCERNS / ISSUES**

**10. DETAILS OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR ANY CONTINUING POST DISCHARGE SUPPORT INCLUDING FINANCES AND CONTACT**

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**11. ANY OTHER ORDERS SOUGHT OR RECOMMENDED**

**12. VIEWS OF THE PARENTS AND SIGNIFICANT OTHERS**