***“You have Choices”***

**16 – 17 Year Old Homelessness Legal Status options Consent Form**

A cartoon character standing on a red arrow pointing to different directions

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I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(name), have understood the information concerning what it will mean to apply as homeless under the Housing Act 1996 Part VII.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Please now sign the part that you do not wish to happen for you, if you want to become a Child In Care, you will now be asked to sign a form called Section 20 consent, which your Social Worker will go through with you.**

1. **Consent form for young people who do/do not wish to apply for accommodation to be arranged by their housing authority under Section 17**

I confirm that I fully understand that I have been assessed by the housing authority as being in need of housing due to my current homeless circumstances.

I can confirm that currently I **do/do not** wish to be accommodated by the housing authority under Section 17.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Consent form for young person who does not wish to become a Child In Care by Wirral Local Authority**

I confirm that I fully understand that I have been assessed by the Local Authority, Children’s Social Care as being in need of accommodation under section 20 of the Children Act 1989 due to my current homeless circumstances.

I can confirm that it has been explained to me that the Local Authority cannot force me to become a Child in Care, but by choosing not to be looked after by the Local Authority I am limiting the options available to me in terms of after care services.

I can confirm that I **do/do not** wish to be accommodated by the Local Authority.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Copy to be given to the Young Person and one added to documents on child’s file