

Appendix 3 Roles and responsibilities between Adoption South And Local Authority Partners

| Function | Adopt South - Central Team | Adopt South - via Local Authority | Local Authority |
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| Adopter recruitment and assessment | | | |
| Adopter marketing and recruitment | X | | |
| Adopter assessment and approval (including completion of Prospective Adopter Report, panel recommendation and ADM decision) | | X | |
| Child's journey | | | |
| Corporate Parenting responsibility for looked after child | | | X |
| Decision for parallel planning | | | X |
| Parallel Planning – tracking | X | X | X |
| Early permanence decision | | | X |
| Legal planning meetings | | | X |
| Agency decision for child | | | X |
| Application to court for placement order | | | X |
| Family Finding | X | | |
| Preparation of child, work with birth/foster families | | X | |
| Introductions and placement | | X | |
| Support to make application for adoption order | | X | |
| IRO services | | | X |
| Adoption Support | | | |
| Adoption Support services (for children, adopters and adoptive families) | | X | |
| Birth Records Information | | | X |
| Adoption allowance - assessment and payment | | | X |
| Other services (currently outside AS scope but with future potential for inclusion) | | | |
| Adoption information exchange and post-adoption contact | | | X |
| Birth Family Counselling | | | X |
| Inter-country adoption | | | X |