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Welcome to The Social Work Show

16 March Birmingham



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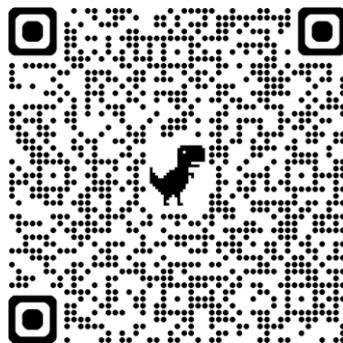
Join me for my presentation at the Social Work Show in The Birmingham Conference & Events Centre (BCEC), B5 4EW. On Monday the 16th March 2026 (Motivate 11.10am to 11.50am)

“Becoming agents for positive therapeutic change: Three questions the ‘person in the parenting role’ should ask.”

Using ‘*First-principles thinking*’ in your work with the children, enables you to understand your role in the life of a child in your care. By identifying key principals with the child (like ‘positive relationships are key’) and using three questions to deconstruct complex ideas into their most basic truths. Then, use your joint insights and the clarity achieved, to build solutions and strategies. This not only empowers the child, it gives her agency, builds on her strengths, and gives her confidence that her parenting needs will be seen, understood and addressed. Achieving emotional growth for her is possible with understanding, and by supporting her through her trauma with insight, empathy and love.

To download your copy of the article “Becoming Agents for Positive Therapeutic Change” use the link below or scan the QR code

<https://www.pillarsofparenting.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Becoming-Agents-for-Positive-Theapeutic-Change-Maginn-July-2025.pdf>



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- Adverse Childhood experiences and supportive trauma-informed care.
- Understanding young people's aggression and de-escalating strategies.
- Finding and using young people's strengths.
- Dealing with challenging behaviour and more -

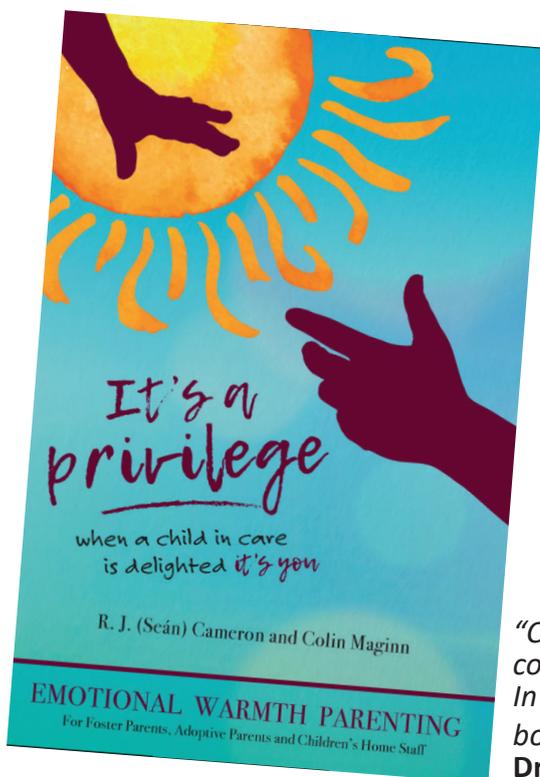
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Ruth Arnell (2021) Book review in EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY IN PRACTICE Vol 37, 2021 - Issue 4

"Chapter 4, Trauma –Informed Parenting could stand alone as part of any course undertaken, for example by potential foster or adoptive parents. In looking at the effects of trauma on children they explore the growing body of evidence which has considered the effects this has on the brain."

Dr Chris Hanvey Book review 1st Feb 2022 - The Therapeutic Care Journal

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"Emotional Warmth Parenting" Colin Maginn and Seán Cameron (2021) CYC-Online



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"Why we need to focus on strengths"

Colin Maginn
Fostering Families Jan 2021



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