Meet our team

## What were your first impressions on joining South Gloucestershire Council?

I did have some apprehension before I started about whether as a contractor I would truly feel part of the team. I needn't have worried. Even though my first week in the job coincided with the start of an Ofsted inspection everyone still had time to make me feel welcome. I felt settled straight away.

## What was it that made you feel so settled?

I felt supported from day one. There's a great team spirit and a culture where our skills, experience and expertise are recognised.

Our team is a very diverse group, but I think we're very good at tapping into each other's skills and knowledge to deliver the best for the young people and families we work with. Even though I'm agency, I'm encouraged to go on training courses, I have discussions with my manager about my development and my

**Bonny** 

**Social worker** 

## What does South Gloucestershire Council offer agency workers?

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We're not seen any differently from anyone else. We have difficult decisions to make, but I never feel like I'm alone; I know I can always go to my manager and ask for advice and that his door will always be open.

"I'm agency but people are interested in what I have to offer long term."

