



# Newsletter

## FIND OUT ABOUT THE SEND LOCALITY TEAMS & HOW TO CONTACT THEM

See back page for details.

### Local Area Inspection

The letter that outlines the main findings of the SEND Local Area Inspection that took place in November 2016 has now been published detailing the strengths found and the areas for development.

**This letter is available to view on our website under Information and SEND Reforms.**

Derbyshire County Council believes the letter is a fair reflection of strengths and areas for improvement identified as part of their self evaluation. The findings of the report will help them to drive forward the improvements that they are working on and help them to refresh their strategic plan. Thank you to everyone who took part in the inspection.



### One Page Profiles

A *One Page Profile* is a profile of a child/young person which is positively focused on their core qualities, what other people like and admire about the person, what makes the person REALLY happy and is most important to them & how the person likes to be supported.

See <http://www.sheffkids.co.uk> for some great templates & ideas



## Derbyshire Local Offer

### What is the SEND Local Offer?

Derbyshire's Local Offer includes leisure and activity providers, health and care services, education providers and support groups.

The Local Offer simply aims to pull information about available services into one place and make it clear and accessible for you and your family.

### Types of support

The website can help suggest results for you based on you or your child's needs, just complete the 'Tell us about you' questionnaire and it will remember you during your visit to the site.

The Local Offer can show you information about Health, Education, Preparing for Adulthood, Support Groups and much more.

### \*New Search Function\*

This has been activated and continues to be improved. Thanks for feedback on our questionnaires it will help the Local Offer Team move forward and make improvements.

You can also get your group listed on the Local Offer. Visit the website and click on contact us to give your information.

<http://localoffer.derbyshire.gov.uk>

### Forum Management Group

This is a group made up of parents with a child/young person with a disability or Special Educational Need (SEN) who are active within the local forums. They meet once a month term time to feedback & decide on actions.

Emily has recently stepped down from her position as chairperson & the management team. We thank her for all of her hard work & wish her well for the future. Tracey has stepped up as chairperson.

### Working Task Groups

Our management group is currently working on a number task groups and we need YOU to get involved. Do you have a passion for making a difference in one or more of these areas?

- SEND Custody & Early Intervention
- Healthwatch
- Post 16 & Preparing for Adulthood
- Autism Pathway
- SEND Transport

Please see our website for further information & details of how to get involved in any of the task groups.

### Upcoming Events

Please keep an eye on our website for upcoming events. Please book promptly to avoid disappointment.

**A Confidential Word from DIASS (Derbyshire Information and Support Service for SEND) (formerly Parent Partnership)** At 9.30 -3.00 on weekdays the confidential & impartial DIASS Advice line is open to take your calls. The support workers staff the line on a rota basis while managing case work on other days. They may be attending meetings, helping with paper work & supporting at tribunals just as Parent Partnership did before & because of this it is not always be possible to speak to the same person when you call the advice line. You can contact us by email, telephone or by private message on Facebook; you could also make an appointment to see us in the office behind the Register Office in Chesterfield. If you are a parent of a child or young person with special educational needs (SEN) or young person up to the age of 25 we can help with any SEN education issue & if Social Care or health needs are affecting education we may be able to help with those too. We also continue to provide advice & support around exclusion. All of our support workers have received legal training from the Independent Parental Special Education Advice Service (IPSEA). Everything you tell us on the advice line is confidential. We will ask you for a small amount of information, usually just your name &, because we want to make sure we are reaching everyone who needs us, which part of Derbyshire you live in which cultural background you consider yourself to be from. You don't have to tell us where you live, your child's name or which school you or your child goes to. We don't share the information you give us on the advice line with anyone unless we think someone may be at risk of significant harm when our Safeguarding procedures mean that we will have to pass this on, if we are going to do this we will discuss it with you first. We keep brief details about all calls on our database, which is not available to anyone else, just in case you need to speak to us again. We will often email or post out information that we think will help you & if you would like to complete our online survey after your call we would really appreciate your views on how we can make our advice line service better.



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Whitworth Road, Darley Dale  
Derbyshire, DE4 2HJ



**Tell us what you think** We would love to hear what you think. Please send your feedback and suggestions to:  
[info@derbyshireparentcarerveice.org](mailto:info@derbyshireparentcarerveice.org)  
[www.derbyshireparentcarerveice.org](http://www.derbyshireparentcarerveice.org)



### Random Adventures

Where do you take your DPCV 'bling'? As you can see, one of our trustees took hers to New York City to become the Statue of DPCV! Send us your photos of you with your DPCV goodies in wild, weird and wonderful places and you might find yourself printed here or on our website!



We have a parent volunteer updating our social media pages. Follow us on Twitter [@derbyshirepv](https://twitter.com/derbyshirepv) and like our Facebook page **Derbyshire Parent Carer Voice** to keep up to date with information.

[www.derbyshireparentcarerveice.org](http://www.derbyshireparentcarerveice.org)

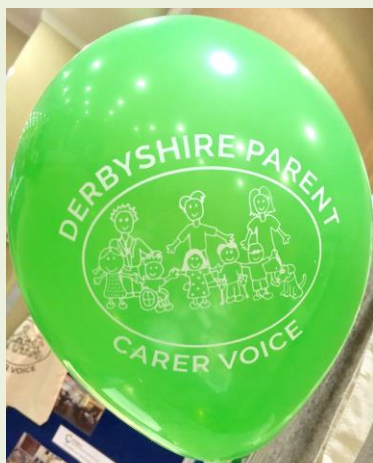
### Service Gaps?

Have you been affected by the closure of children's centres or Aiming High stopping? Please check out our website under consultations to see how you can help to make a difference and get involved!



# Annual Empowerment Event

The Derbyshire Hotel, March 2017



The Annual Empowerment Event was a HUGE success with 60 parent/carers attending on the day! We had some interesting stalls in our marketplace with lots of fantastic information. Jessica Goodwin from Newlife Charity spoke to us about equipment for children/young people with additional needs and opportunities for recycling. Tracey Green from Challenge Consultancy gave us some fabulous training on Behaviour Management and the lunch and snacks were amazing! See our website for more!

[www.derbyshireparentcarerveice.org](http://www.derbyshireparentcarerveice.org)



Huge thanks to all who donated prizes for the event, Rompa, Challenge Consultancy and of course Thorntons for the prize and the chocolates on the table.



Enjoyed this event? Let us know of any interest you have in us running different kinds of training in the future:  
[events@derbyshireparentcarerveice.org](mailto:events@derbyshireparentcarerveice.org)

## SEND Locality Teams

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You can ring the locality office for any queries relating to an EHC plan including Needs Assessment and school places, for other queries such as support in school, you may wish to ring your school in the first instance. Once you are in the EHC Process you should have a direct link to a

SEND Officer in the locality team.