Barking & Dagenham Local Offer

February 2024

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Barking & Dagenham
SEND Local Offer February Highlights

JUST SAY Barking & Dagenham Parent Carer Forum

https://localoffer.lbbd.gov.uk/ sendlocaloffer@lbbd.gov.uk

SPEAK UP!





You said, we did – what is happening Locally?

Local is the Best. CYP's aspirations and their best outcomes are our SEND focus.

At the Conference, we shared what we did as priority areas for action to respond to parent carer's feedback. For example,

You Said – ''EHCP timeliness and quality are not great. We also need more speech & language support''

We Did –

- ✓ Improved 20-week performance, robust EHCP multi-agency audits in place
- ✓ Improved access to Speech & Language support in our mainstream schools

COMING SOON For a full presentation about our work across partners including parents to meet needs and improve services, please visit SEND Local Offer What's On.

Just Say Parent Carer Forum Annual Conference

It was a great pleasure to be part of the Conference on 13th February. We celebrated Just Say's co-production work with the Local Authority and NHS, connected and received information from different speakers and stalls. We're grateful to have Just Say as our partner and critical friend for years. We're also delighted to hear from our Young People Forum Speak Up! member Charlie who started his Day 1 paid work for Progress Project on that day. Well done Charlie!

If you haven't joined **Just Say**, or your child hasn't signed up as **Speak Up**! member, please do join them (click the links). Hope to see you at Just Say Forum or Speak Up! Forum soon!

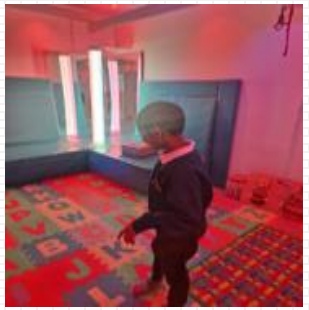




Children and Young People Disability Hub (CYPD Hub)

- In Barking and Dagenham, we have our own, popular CYPD Hub, based at Becontree Community Hub, Stevens Road, Dagenham RM8 2QR.
- Operating daily, wheelchair accessible, with a fully adapted shower/hygiene room, working hoists, sensory room, play areas and accessible kitchen. Throughout the year there are a range of different programmes to meet the needs of our children/young people with disabilities.
- Offering support and advice, coffee mornings, parents support group, children and youth group etc.
- For registration or enquiries: CYPDHub@lbbd.gov.uk





SEND Drop-in: 4th March, 9.30-11.30am, Dagenham Family Hub

During February Drop-in, many parents asked about parent support groups, children's activities clubs or groups which can be found in our SEND Local Offer -

Information, Advice and Support

Carer's Hub
- Parent Advisory Group (monthly meeting)
- carers@carerscentre.org.uk / 020 8593 4422

3x Family Hubs
- Barking, Dagenham and Marks Gate
- familynavigators@lbbd.gov.uk / 020 8227 3359

Children and Youth Clubs (contacts in SEND Local Offer)

20x Community Hubs (contacts in SEND Local Offer)
- services and support in your neighbourhood
- a place to go, a place to do and a place to connect



Welcome back after the half-term break. You may find this 'monthly highlights' a bit 'wordy' as we have a lot of information and progress to share. Hope you find them useful and encouraging. More updates, plans and good stories will be posted in the next SEND Quarterly Newsletter. The main theme will be: Preparing for Adulthood and Accelerating Post-16 SEND outcomes. Issue Date: 25th March 2024.