



National Network of Parent Carer Forums

'Our Strength Is Our Shared Experience'

Aspirations for our young people

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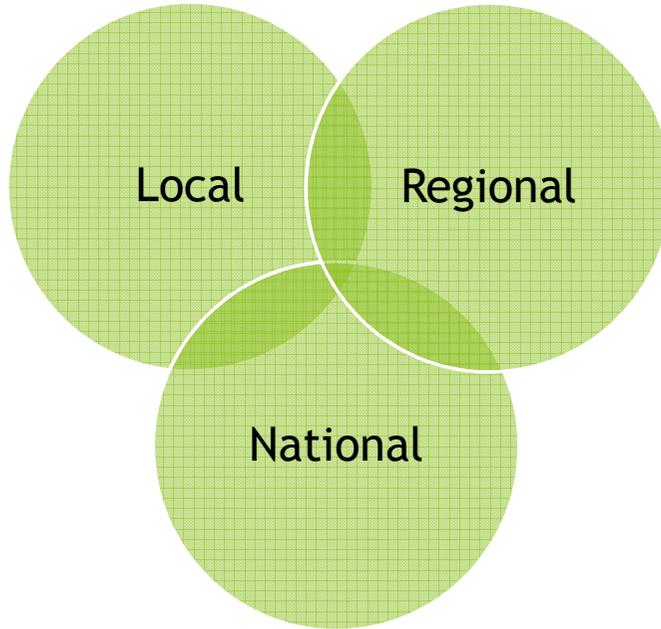
Who are we?

- ▶ National Network of Parent Carer Forums is:
- ▶ Membership organisation of 151 local parent carer forums
- ▶ 83,000 members
- ▶ Core work is around strategic participation of families to getting voices heard and to shape services
- ▶ Parent Carer Forum includes parent carers with a full range of experiences in Health, Education and Social Care as their children/young people have a wide range of conditions
- ▶ We are a parent carer lead organisation
- ▶ Solution Focused



What do we do?

Influencing local policy and service design through strategic coproduction



Supporting regional learning and sharing best practice through regional networks



Regional commissioning

Shaping national policy change, informing national developments and improving opportunities for participation



Department for Education



Department of Health



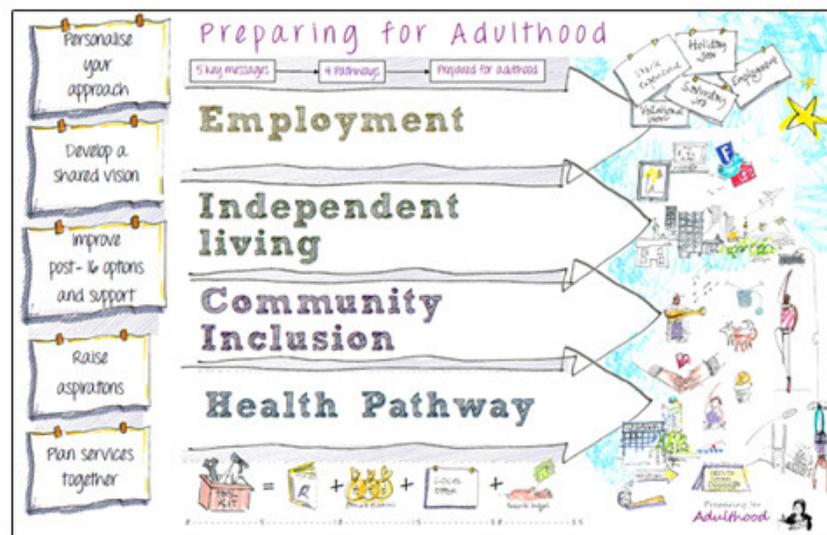
What does it feel like at the moment?

Families tell us that:

- ▶ They struggle with balancing housing, employment and support
- ▶ They have to learn a new 'language' of adults services
- ▶ That as young person gets older it challenge as they need more bespoke support
- ▶ Worry about who will be there to support they young person when they are not around
- ▶ Feel services do not reflect the young group of young people with SEND and their place in the community
- ▶ Are concerned around young people who do not engage with their community and our isolated in their bedrooms
- ▶ Families are tired physically, emotional and we start to see impact of being a parent carer



Where do we need to get to...



Children and Families Act 2014

Key ingredients to make it happen



- ▶ What does it mean to that young person?
- ▶ Home can mean different things to different people
- ▶ Supporting planning as early as possible
- ▶ How can we jointly approach this in a person centred way?



Key ingredients to make it happen



- ▶ Does the young person have friends in the neighbourhood?
- ▶ Are universal services welcoming?
- ▶ Is transport accessible?
- ▶ Can they go shopping nearby?
- ▶ Do local employers know about the benefits of employing people with SEN / LD and disabilities?



Key ingredients to make it happen



- ▶ What does it look like for young people?
- ▶ SEND young people have lots of professionals in their lives
- ▶ How do we support young people to navigate a health pathway?



What families want to see more of

- ▶ Joint working
- ▶ Health and social care to work together
- ▶ Employers being on the Local Offer and understanding its role
- ▶ Working with strategic partners such as the Local Parent Carer Forums to ensure you have up to date information around the family experience
- ▶ Seeing education play a role supporting soft skills that young people will use as well as academic ones.

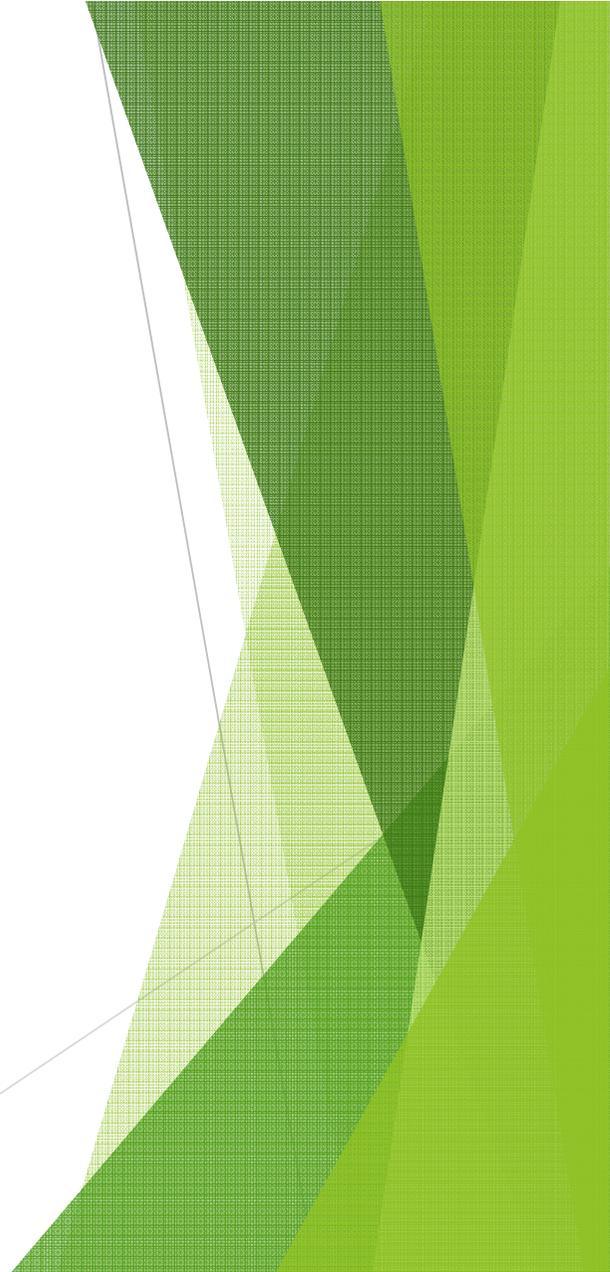


Local Offer

Next Steps...

- ▶ Contact your local parent carer forum to see if they can help
<http://www.nnpcf.org.uk/who-we-are/>

Questions



Thank you for listening

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