

## How can I access it?

- Simply type [www.nottinghamshire.sendlocaloffer.org.uk](http://www.nottinghamshire.sendlocaloffer.org.uk) into the web browser of a mobile phone, desktop PC or tablet. The web site provides the option to:
  - = customise the display of information to support access for users with particular needs by selecting the accessibility link on the toolbar
  - = use Google Translate, which enables the core content of the web site to be translated into a number of different languages (a free App has to be downloaded in order for this facility to be available through the mobile version)
- Supported access at any of the County Council's Libraries or over the telephone via the County Council's Customer Service Centre. Telephone: **0300 500 80 80**
- Access within schools, colleges and children's centres
- The continued publication of the IRIS magazine, a quarterly publication providing information on SEN and disability issues.

## How do I get involved?

If you are a parent or carer please contact the Nottinghamshire Participation Hub (NPH) on **01623 629 902**. They will be able to talk to you about the local Parent Carer Forums and their role alongside NPH in identifying the issues, themes and priorities which need to influence the way services are provided locally, regionally and nationally.

If you are a school, provider or practitioner, you can help by ensuring that your organisation's information is captured within the SEND Local Offer and that it is accurate and kept up-to-date.

If you are a child or young person you can get involved by helping your school, college or the other people working with you to understand what you want to know about services and how you want to be told about it.

We would very much like your views on the SEND Local Offer and these may be provided using the online questionnaire on the front page of the SEND Local Offer website. This will take no longer than 5 minutes to complete.

## Further information

For further information about the SEND Local Offer please e-mail [send.localoffer@nottsc.gov.uk](mailto:send.localoffer@nottsc.gov.uk) or call Simon Ray on **0115 977 2742**.



## What is the SEND Local Offer?

Feedback from parents and carers about access to information has repeatedly raised a number of issues:

- there is a lot of information around, but its located all over the place and is difficult to find
- resources or services are often found only by chance
- it isn't always easy to see links to other relevant information

The SEND Local Offer is an attempt to address these issues by bringing together information for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and their families, across education, health, social care and the voluntary and independent sectors.

The SEND Local Offer is intended to help you to find information about services and provision that are available or signpost you to somebody who can provide you with the information you need, through one easily searchable web site which can be accessed at [www.nottinghamshire.sendlocaloffer.org.uk](http://www.nottinghamshire.sendlocaloffer.org.uk)

## Who is this for?

It is aimed at:

- children and young people with SEND from birth to 25 years
- their parents and carers
- individuals, groups, practitioners and organisations working with these children, young people and their families.

## How do I find what I'm looking for?

By accessing the website you can search for information using:

- the 6 themed buttons highlighted opposite, which will return the details of the service providers within the selected category. The resulting search information can be refined further: using filters such as type of need; age range; post code etc
- specific keywords in the search facility
- the further information and guidance tabs on the right of the homepage.

## How will it help me?

It will enable you to search for services and provision for children and young people with SEND within your own community, and across Nottinghamshire as a whole. This includes, for example:



### Things to do

A broad range of activities, from cinema screenings for children with specific needs, to evening clubs like cubs/scouts or brownies/guides running during the week, to specific events offered during the school holidays



### Education

Details of nurseries, playgroups, schools and colleges as well as support services like educational psychologists, early years and early intervention workers



### Getting Around

Services available to help support with transport and mobility



### Employment and Training

Options available for accessing apprenticeships, supported employment, and information about making the transition from services provided for children to those for adults



### Health and Social Care

A broad range of health services such as GPs, paediatricians, school nurses and therapists, along with information on respite services and children's disability services within social care



### Independent Living

Advice about where to live, housing options, adaptations and welfare benefits

The Nottinghamshire SEND Local Offer is a free and impartial service. The information contained within the website does not represent a recommendation or an endorsement of a Service or Provider. The full disclaimer can be read on the Local Offer website.

