

Luton Parent Carer Voice

Information on how you can get involved in the new parent carer forum for the Luton area.



What is a forum?

A parent carer forum is a group of parents and carers of disabled children.

Their aim is to make sure the services in their area meet the needs of disabled children and their families.



I am not sure I have time to be involved

If you would like to be involved, there are lots of different roles within the forum and everyone is welcome.

Some roles require very little time and can be done when you are free, while others require more time.

The more people that get involved the easier it is to spread the work.



How do they help to make services meet childrens needs?

They gather the views of local families and then working in partnership with the council, education settings, health providers and other providers to highlight where local services are working well, or challenge when changes or improvements need to be made.

What if I get involved and things change ?

The forum is made up of parent carers and we all know that things change, sometimes very quickly.

Forums are based on people doing what they can, when they can, so don't let that put you off joining.



Does it cost to be part of the forum?

No. Parent Carer Forums are **FREE** to join. You will not be charged to be part of the forum.



Who can join a forum ?

The forum is open to parent carers, family members, guardians and foster parents of children and young people who have Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities 0-25 (no diagnosis needed).

If you live in the Borough of Luton or access services from education, health or social care in Luton we would love you to join us.

How can I find out more ?

contact for further information has appointed an associate to support the forming of a new forum.

If you would like to know more or be involve in the forum please contact Ruth at ruth@hobbsconsultancy.co.uk or 07729 099576. You can also join the whatsapp group using the QR code at the top of this flyer.



Our next discussion will be on **Monday 23rd November at 6pm** via microsoft teams. Please email ruth@hobbsconsultancy.co.uk for a link and to book a space.