

What is Darlington Parent Carer Forum?

Darlington Parent Carer Forum is a group of parents/carers of children aged 0-25 with additional needs and/or disabilities who work with local authorities, education settings, health providers and other providers to make sure the services they plan and deliver meet the needs of children and families living in our area. We are the Department for Education's recognised forum for Darlington.

By working together, we can bring real and meaningful change for children, young people and their families living in Darlington. We do this by:

- Reaching out to parent carers to hear views (consultations, case study requests, focus groups)
- Hosting regular drop-in sessions with local health, education, social care colleagues and commissioners
- Representing parents experience to local decision makers at strategic boards and in planning services
- Making recommendations for service improvements
- Hosting conferences and informative events and training sessions

We always want more parents and carers to get involved to make a real difference by sharing their ideas and thoughts. It is always up to you how you want to participate in your forum - it may be just be by being a member and receiving information, attending meetings, or you may want to get more actively involved and ensure key decision makers understand what parent carers think.

Find out more by contacting us using the details below.



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