

Voice, Influence & Transparency Working Group

October 2025 to March 2026

Opening

The Leeds Parent Carer Forum and Parent Carer Support Groups have shared feedback from families about **information available to families about SEND services in Leeds**:

- Advocacy for families attending meetings with schools and SEND services.
- Support for families to navigate SEND services and not just signpost.
- Sharing information about SEND school support with families.
- Information about youth groups and activities available.

Opportunity

The Leeds Parent Carer Forum and Voice, Influence and Change Team (LCC) work in partnership to raise the issues and challenges faced by parents and carers of children with SEND in Leeds across education, health and care.

All issues and challenges raised are shared with the Voice and Influence Transparency Working Group and subsequently with the Leeds SEND and AP Improvement Board.

Outcome

- The [Leeds Local Offer website](#) has been furthered developed, and information about services reviewed.
- The [Leeds Local Offer introduction to SEND services booklet](#) is available on the Leeds Local Offer website, and in hard copy format. The booklet is reviewed and updated annually.
- Monthly SEND parent carer information drop ins including focussed workshops run in partnership by Leeds Local Offer, Leeds Parent Carer Forum, SENDIASS, Carers Leeds, CHAD and Speech and Language.
- Annual Leeds Local Offer Live marketplace event for families to find out about SEND services in Leeds.
- The Leeds Local Offer team host a facebook group and WhatsApp channel, and post daily to share information about SEND services with families.
- The Leeds Parent Carer Forum deliver workshops for families based on need.
- SENDIASS deliver their offer via their website, social media, YouTube, workshops etc. SENDIASS will have increased capacity in 2025/26.
- Seven new Family Hubs across the city, each hub has a SEND Coordinator.



Obligation

