



**Services and support
for children and
young people
with special
educational needs
and disabilities**



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What is the Local Offer?

The Local Offer provides information on the services in the Wokingham Borough available for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) from birth to 25.

The Local Offer was published as part of the SEND reforms under the *Children and Families Act 2014*.

How will the Local Offer help me?

- Provide you with clear and accurate information about local education, health and care services, making it easier to choose and access the services you need
- Help you find the nearest and most suitable services, support groups and leisure activities
- Make service provision more responsive to local needs and aspirations



What makes the Local Offer different?

- It is more than a directory of services. It brings everything together in one place
- It provides all the information you need to help you identify suitable support. You can then make informed decisions about the resources needed, to enable the child or young person with SEND to participate, and achieve their outcomes
- The Local Offer is being collaboratively developed by children, young people, their parents and their carers
- The Local Offer will inform joint planning and commissioning of services within Education, Health and Social Care
- It is constantly developing based on the feedback we receive

Information and support

The Children with Additional Needs (CAN) Network is the council's service that provides information, and support for parents, carers and young people.

Contact the service if you require assistance to search for information on the Local Offer.

Tel: (0118) 974 6818

Email: CAN.Network@wokingham.gov.uk

The Local Offer website tells you about:

- Education, Health & Care plans (EHCPs) and assessments
- Employment and training
- Family support
- Health services
- Housing and independent living
- Leisure activities
- Money matters
- Short breaks
- Social care
- Specialist equipment
- Support in school
- Transport

The Wokingham Borough Local Offer:
www.wokingham.gov.uk/lo

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