



Barnet Parent Carer Forum

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Who are we?

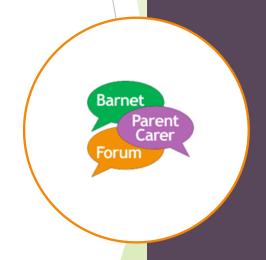
- Barnet Parent Carer Forum was set up in 2014 by parent carers in response to the change in legislation (Children & Families Act)
- ▶ All members are parent carers of children and young people aged 0-25 years who have SEND.
- ► Funded by the Department for Education to engage independently with the Local Authority.
- We represent families' views and help to shape and improve services for our children and young people.
- Part of the National Network of Parent Carer Forums - national perspective





What does membership involve?

- Members receive regular email updates on events, training opportunities, surveys and other items of interest
- Steering group around 12 parent carers who jointly decide the priorities of the forum, attend workstream and other strategic meetings and work closely with the Local Authority





Benefits of membership

- Stay informed about local SEND services
- Conference and Training opportunities eg Health Conference, Transitions Morning, SEND Conference, using the Local Offer
- Supportive environment with a group of like minded people
- Empowerment that comes with effective action
- ► A chance to help shape the services available for our children





BPCF recent engagement with the LA

- Autism strategy development and implementation
- Down Syndrome Pathway
- CAMHS transforming care project
- Trailblazer bid which has led to MH support teams in schools
- Social Care Open Spaces and Short Breaks
- Representation at Board and Strategic level including BELS
- SEND assurance visit October 2020
- SEND Ofsted inspection January 2022
- Complex Needs Panel Parent representative weekly
- Interview Panel for key SEND posts eg Chief Exec of Education and learning and Director SEND and Inclusion





BPCF future priorities

- Stay connected with our members.
- Strengthen and diversify our membership and steering group step forward for a chat. No pressure
- Continue our strong representation with the LA
- Transform key areas e.g. Therapies
- Training opportunities for members
- Online surveys tell us what matters to you
- ► Improve and update our website
- ► Social media presence. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter





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