

### About me

I have previously worked in the Netherlands in different settings focused on communication development, such as a bilingual day-care and an organisation that supports children with a language and speech impediment. In 2019 I moved to Manchester to continue my studies graduating with a MSc Childhood Development & Wellbeing in Practice in 2020 on top of BA in Social Work.

Since graduating from my master's degree, I worked for the NHS to help support those in need for some social contact over the phone to remain safe during the pandemic. This will be the next step in my career as a social worker which I am enthused about.

### What I love about my job

One of the best parts of what I do is interacting with children and young people and their family members. It allows me to listen and give support to them in the way that best suits them and their family situation. Seeing them go through stages of their lives with our help to not needing it anymore is what makes this job very rewarding and motivates me every day to help the people of Bury.

### Three things in my house of good things

- My books
- My two cats, Odin and Orion
- The smell of my partner cooking in the kitchen

## PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

**Name:** Sofi Rose McCarthy

**Role:** Social Worker, Children with Disabilities Team



### How I can help you

I look forward to being able to support you, your child and your family's needs as we work together to set up a plan that is not only feasible but also suitable for everyone.

Together, I can support families to ensure that their disabled child is able to achieve their dreams and grow reach their full potential.

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### About my role

As a Social Worker, I work with some of the more complex children with disabilities. I am working as a ASYE social worker on the Children with Disabilities Team here in Bury. I am at the beginning of my journey as a social worker and am very excited to be able to develop my skills, knowledge and professional confidence to help the people of Bury to the best of my abilities.

We work with families if that disability is complex having a significant impact on their lives, and the children or young people can't always do the ordinary things that another child or young person would do. You can find out more about this in our [eligibility criteria](#).

We work across a range of ages; we are a 0- to 18-year-old service. The work we do depends on what the child or young person and their family need. Wherever possible all children and young people, with or without disabilities, should be supported to have their individual needs met by their family and by universal (available to everyone) and targeted services which are available in their local community.

Each family is different so if extra help is needed the social workers on the team meet children, young people and families, gather some information, and carry out an assessment. We work hard to make sure that we offer the right kind support and to you at the right time.

The team is committed to the rights of children and young people with disabilities to fulfil their personal potentials, ambitions and their roles in society.