



Short Breaks/Support Packages for Children and Young People with Disabilities in Bury September 2021 Update

Update on the Short Breaks Tender

Since our last update we have been busy evaluating the bids which were submitted during the tender process and finalising contract details. The evaluation involved a lot of reading, panel meetings and interviews with providers, we would like to thank the parent/carer representatives from BURY2GETHER who volunteered to be part of the panel alongside Council officers from social care and commissioning.

We are really pleased to be able to share with you what the new targeted offer in Bury looks like! There are now different services to meet the different needs of eligible children and young people with disabilities with the emphasis on enabling choice, community access and preparation for independence.

The table on the right shows a summary of the commissioned Short Breaks in Bury.

What happens next?

- 1 If you have a Short Break already your social worker or family support worker will contact you to discuss the new arrangements and review the options which will best meet the needs of your child and family.
- 2 If you want to enquire about a social care assessment please use the online referral form in the SEND Local Offer Children with [Children with Disabilities Team page](#).



Timeline - the key dates are:

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| 1 Co-production with parent/carer representatives and children and young people to develop a new model. | Completed |
| 2 Complete the new specification | Completed |
| 3 Complete the tender documents and advertise on The Chest for providers to bid | Completed |
| 4 Tender will close | Completed |
| 5 Bids will be evaluated | Completed |
| 6 Providers will be notified and contracts awarded | Completed |
| 7 New service contracts will start | Started 1 st September 2021 |
| 8 Social workers or family support workers will contact families to discuss / review their package of care | September 2021 onwards |
| 9 Contract and performance management | On going |

- 1 To see previous updates or for any further details please go to:
 - o SEND Local Offer – www.sendlocalofferbury.com
 - o The Bury Directory – www.theburydirectory.co.uk
 - o One Community Bury - www.onecommunitybury.co.uk
 - o BURY2GETHER Parent/carer Forum – www.bury2gether.co.uk

SHORT BREAKS COMMISSIONED SERVICES

| Need | Type of support | Providers |
|--|--|--|
| Complex Health Needs Access via Social Care Assessment and Complex Case Panel (CCP) authorisation | | |
| Individual packages of care for children and young people with significant health and care needs which are funded via Continuing Care (CC). They will very likely need high levels of adult support to keep them safe and specially trained staff to meet their needs. | Personal Care and Support | Crossroads Together are the main contracted provider for this type of support. We do however have other providers on the Flexible Purchasing System who we can refer to if we need to: KV Care Ltd Lagans Foundation |
| | Overnight Short Breaks (not in scope of tender) | The most suitable provision for each individual referral will be identified based on need. |
| | Bespoke specialised support. Intensive evidence based model with therapeutic input to support children and young people with behaviour that challenges who may be on the edge of care | ABL Healthcare Ltd Affinity Trust |
| Specialist / Complex Joint Funded Access via Social Care Assessment and Complex Case Panel (CCP) and/or Disability Resource Panel (DRP) authorisation | | |
| Individual packages of care for those children and young people who have significant levels of need but may not meet the threshold for CC funding and/or are joint funded with health and/or education. It is very likely they will need high levels of adult staff support to keep them safe. | Personal Care and Support | Crossroads Together are the main contracted provider for this type of support. We do however have other providers on the Flexible Purchasing System who we can refer to if we need to: KV Care Ltd Lagans Foundation |
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| Targeted Access via Social Care Assessment Disability Resource Panel (DRP) authorisation | | |
| These are aimed at children and young people who need additional support to access provision or who may need groups and services specifically designed to meet their needs. Staff may need specific training to meet individual needs and respond in cases of emergency. | Clubs and holiday schemes for children and young people who cannot access activities without support | Action for Children are the main contracted provider for this type of support. We do have other providers on the Flexible Purchasing System to meet different types of need and increase capacity if there is a requirement to do this. The Endorphins Group The FED Foundation 92 |
| Local Offer – plus Access via Social Care Assessment Disability Resource Panel (DRP) | | |
| Increase the access to short breaks in the community with an enhanced Local Offer which improves the skills and confidence of children and young people and increases participation. | Time limited skill programme up to 12 weeks of support | Action for Children The Endorphins Group Foundation 92 |
| | Time limited participation programme up to 12 weeks of support | Action for Children Barnardos Foundation 92 |
| Universal No assessment or referral | | |
| Clubs, groups and leisure activities that are routinely available and can be accessed by children/young people and their families. | Open access in the community for groups such as scouts, brownies, sports, dance, drama, places of special interest. | See the SEND Local Offer and The Bury Directory. |

Thank you to the children and young people, BURY2GETHER and all the parent/carers who have participated and contributed to this process.

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