

About me

I started working with the Children With Disabilities Team in November 2021, however I have worked for Bury Council since 2014 with the Education Welfare Service. Prior to joining Bury Council I spent several years working with children and young people in Residential Care.

I have a degree in English and Early Childhood Studies and a Masters in Social Work.

What I love about my job

I love working with children, young people and their families, aiming to make a positive difference in their lives.

Three things in my house of good things

My Family
Warm sunny weather
Caramel lattes

Three things in my house of worries

My family being unhappy or unwell
Coffee shops running out of caramel syrup
The dark

Three things in my house of dreams

Spending lots of time with my family
Seeing more of my siblings and nieces who live in Cornwall
Spending lots of time outdoors, preferably by the sea or in the countryside

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Name: Sarah Bickerton

Role: Social Worker, Children With Disabilities Team

How I can help you

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

I use the law and statutory guidance to do this as well as local and national policy.

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About my role

As a social worker, I work with some of the more complex children with disabilities. This could include things like coordinating assessments for adaptations or specialist behaviours support to enable parents to support their disabled child to the best of their abilities, allowing children to continue living with family for as long as possible.

The children I work with range from 0 - 18 years old. What this work looks like depends on the needs of the family. Every family is different with their own different dynamics, needs and complexities.

I work with families where the disability is the primary complicating factor and where the disability has a significant impact on their lives. You can find out more about this in our [eligibility criteria](#).

I will always promote and advocate for families to access the services that are right for them as well as provide information and advice.

I am committed to empowering the rights of children and young people with disabilities to fulfil their personal potentials, ambitions, and their roles in society.