The Essex Local Offer website holds information on the following categories:

- Education
- One Planning and Education, Health and Care Plans
- Employment and Training
- Health
- Entertainment and Leisure
- Social Care and Family Support
- Financial support
- Housing
- Transport
- Equipment and Resources.





What is the Local Offer?

The Local Offer provides information on the services in Essex that are available for children and young people with Special Educational Needs (SEN) and Disabilities aged from birth to 25.

The Local Offer is published as part of the SEND Reforms under the Children and Families Act 2014.

The Essex Local Offer sets this information out on a website that can be found via www.essexlocaloffer.org.uk

The Local Offer will:

- Give you information about education, health and care services.
- Give you information about leisure activities and support groups.
- Hold all the information in one place.
- Be clear, comprehensive and accessible.
- Make service provision more responsive to local needs and aspirations.
- Be developed, monitored and reviewed with service providers and service users.

The Local Offer is for?

 Children and young people with SEN and/or disabilities (SEND) from 0 to 25 years.

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- Their parents and carers.
- · Practitioners and professionals.

How will the Local Offer help me?

- The Essex Local Offer provides 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.
- All the services involved with the Local Offer will be asked to provide and maintain up-to-date information that can be easily accessed by the user.

What makes the Local Offer different?

- The Local Offer is being collaboratively developed by children, young people, their parents and their carers.
- 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, so you can make informed decisions about the resources needed to enable the child or young person with SEND to be able to participate, and achieve their outcomes
- The Local Offer will inform joint planning and commissioning of services within Education, Health and Social Care.
- It is organic and constantly refreshed and developed based on the feedback we receive.

