



# WHO WE ARE....

Northumberland Parent Carer Forum (NPCF) is a voluntary group of parents carers of children with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND) who work with local authorities, education settings, health providers and other providers to make sure that the services they commission, plan and deliver meet the needs of disabled children and families.

The Forum works alongside Northumberland County Council (NCC) and the Integrated Care Board (ICB) as a strategic partner.

The Forum has built strong working relationships and have a trusted role as parent carers of children and young people with SEND aged 0-25 in Northumberland.

We are experts by experience and as such, have a unique understanding of how challenging life can be raising a child or young person with SEND.

We do this by giving parent carers the opportunity to participate in a number of ways such as coffee events, conferences, social media, surveys and focus groups. This feedback can then be used to co-produce and work at a strategic level with the Local Authorities and the ICB.

## WHAT CAN WE OFFER TO PARENT CARERS?

#### A Listening Ear

Our steering group are always happy to listen, we're all experts by experience as parent carers ourselves.

#### Parent Carer Conferences

We hold parent carer conferences which offer a range of workshops relating to a range of SEND specific subjects, lunch and refreshments are provided and of course the opportunity to meet and chat with other like minded parent carers

### **Events & Workshops**

We offer a range of events and workshops, such as SEND Law, Preparation for Adulthood, Coffee Mornings with Northumberland IASS

#### Signposting & Information Hub

We have a network\* of organisations, charities, businesses and community groups who provide groups and services to children & young people with SEND and their families and we're only to happy to share their details and signpost our members to them. Sharing is caring!

\*If you run a community group and would like to know more, please get in touch

#### **REGISTER NOW....**

Our membership is free! you'll receive our newsletter and be first to hear about any upcoming projects, as well as having priority booking for our events and workshops.



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