



Hello &
Good Morning,

We are very
pleased to be here
representing the new
Parent Carer Forum
for SUFFOLK!

Who are Suffolk Parent Carer Forum?

We are a group of parent carers who have come together to build a Committee so that we can help shape the provisions and services our children and young people with special/additional needs and/or disabilities access. We do this through co-production.

We are not:

- A support group
- An advocacy group
- A campaign group

We are:

- Committed to co-production
- A voice for all parent carers
- Well respected partners

What are our aims & objectives?

- To be the strategic consultative body within Suffolk and represent the voices of families with children and young people with special/additional needs and/or disabilities.
- Providing a liaison point for Statutory and Voluntary Agencies within Suffolk, by using Parent Carer Representatives to work in co-production with local services.
- To consult with and inform our membership with a view to ensuring that all children and young people in Suffolk with special/additional needs and/or disabilities meet their full potential and achieve the best possible outcomes.

Our members:

In the true spirit of co-production, we told our forum members that we would be attending this meeting today.

We asked them, if they were attending, what would they have liked to say?

So that we could get as many voices together as possible, we asked for a small quote as their hope for the future. We had 41 responses.

Please take a minute, just to look through their hopes, so you can take them forward in the work that you do.

Parent Carer hopes for the future...

Statutory
duties to
be met

Being able to
trust family
services

Understand roles
and responsibilities

Parents involved
in planning the
future

Children
reaching
their full
potential

Listen to/work
with parents

Working with
parents not
against!

Consistency and to
stop insisting that
school are the experts
on our children

Make more
suitable places
available

Parents are
not the
enemy

The most appropriate
provision for each
individual child

Action and
accountability

Honest and
transparent
true
coproduction

Person centred
planning and
delivery

The right
school for
my son

Children at the
forefront of
future plans!

Hold
schools to
account

Full staff
training in
SEND

Be advocates
for the children
not enemies

No lies, liaise with
parents, make
the lawful
changes

Suitable
placements
within reasonable
distance



Parent Carer hopes for the future...

Every
life is
valued

Thriving in a
more child
centred way

Every
child's voice
matters

Schools to
show
support

No randomly
deleting chunks
of evidence

Parents
voices
matter

Work with
parents, we
know our
children
the best

Forget targets and
work on making
school a positive
experience

Each school
should have a
send specialist

Follow
statutory
guidelines!

Stop
threatening
prosecution
because of
absence

The curriculum
needs to be
more inclusive

Follow correct
process and
stop lying

Don't tell me my
child is working
towards when they
are clearly not

Trust, coproduction,
legal compliance,
accountability.

Understand
and familiarise
yourself with
your role!

Diagnosis is
important

Answer
emails

Start getting
the child's
voice properly

Support out
of school
children



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