



# Bromley Parent Carer Forum



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**What is a SEND parent forum and what  
can they do for my family?**



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## Who are we?



Bromley parents and carers with children with special educational needs and disabilities.

We are a group (called a forum) of families across all SENs and disabilities and all cultures and ethnic groups.

We committed to giving a voice to all parents and carers in Bromley and help to inform the shaping of services

We are part of the National Network of Parent Carer Forums



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## What forums do?

Provide a range of **consultation opportunities** for parents/carers to get informed, get involved and have their say.

**Signpost** to the appropriate service or professional when information or assistance is needed by parents/carers

Have responsibility for a small government grant to make all the above happen.



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Giving parents a voice

We believe that parents, carers and professionals are stronger and more resourceful when they work together- and when we do this, we achieve good outcomes for all our children, young people and their families.



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## What we don't do

Take on individual cases or cases in disputes-  
signposting to appropriate professionals as appropriate.

Accompany parents or carers to new services or  
schools.

Parent and carer forums are NOT campaigning groups-  
they work in partnership as a critical friend and are  
central to getting it right for Bromley SEND families.



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## What does the Forum do for you?

We are the platform for SEND parents and carers to have a voice and share their experiences.

We work in partnership with the local Authority and health to share your views so that these influence the design and delivery of services you and your family need.

We send our members information on a range of events and SEND activities.

We offer opportunities to get involved at all levels of our organisation- do as little (just join us and receive information) or as much (get involved with the partnership work we do) as you like or are able.



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## Our Vision and Values:

### The Right Support at the Right Time

**A**ccessible Support via workshops, events and training

**B**uilding and Maintaining Trust with local and national agencies to make a meaningful difference

**L**istening to feedback and suggestions to further build our vision

**E**mpowerment for parents



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## Reasons to join

Parents have a stronger voice when they act together.

You can keep up to date on what's happening from Government decisions to local provision and events.

To help influence the development of services provided by education and health services for your child.

To be part of an exciting forum that helps make a difference to your families and all SEND families across the Bromley borough.

It's free to join!





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## Summary



A platform for Bromley SEND parents to have their say.

Use your voice to influence change.

We work in partnership with education and health.

We work with other groups, schools, leisure and short break services to ensure that every parent of a child with additional needs is aware of the forum and can get involved.

Forums do all that they can to keep their members up to date with current information, current events and opportunities for consultation.



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Q: If I join Bromley Parent Carer Forum, what will I have to do?

A: Whatever you are comfortable with

Join as a member and just receive information

Join as a member and email your views to [info@bromleypcf.co.uk](mailto:info@bromleypcf.co.uk)

Join just for a coffee and a chat

Get involved in the steering group of the forum

Take on a leading role in the management of the forum

Speak to one of us for more information