



Rutland Parent Carer Voice

What is a forum?

Rutland Parent Carer Forum is a non-profit, voluntary organisation formed by parents and carers of disabled children in the local area.

Our main aim is to ensure the services in Rutland meet the needs of disabled children and their families/carers. The forum is completely independent and not part of the council or health service.

Who can join the forum?

The forum is open to parents, family members, guardians and foster parents of children and young people who have Special Educational Needs and/or disabilities aged 0-25, no diagnosis is required. If you live in Rutland or access services from education, health or social care in Rutland, we would love you to join us.

How can I get involved?

There are lots of different ways to get involved from completing a survey or attending an event. everyone is welcome. There are also roles such as steering group members and parent carer representatives within the forum.

The more people that get involved, the more we can accurately represent what it is like for children, young people and their families.

Is the forum a campaign group?

No, we promote parent voice through participation and influence change through working together and constructive challenge to service providers.

The forum acknowledges the important role that campaign groups have in helping to get the voice of parent groups heard. we are happy to work with campaign groups by providing feedback on issues they raise and providing them with information.

How do we help make the services meet children's needs?

We gather the views of local families and work with the council, education settings, health providers and other providers to highlight where local services are working well or to challenge when changes are required or improvements need to be made.

How can I find out more?

You can find out more by visiting:

Website -

www.rutlandpcv.org.uk

Facebook -

www.facebook.com/rutlandpcv

Twitter -

www.twitter.com/carers_voice

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