

SPECIAL VOICES NEWSLETTER



Welcome to Special Voices (Slough parent/carer forum)

Special Voices is a group of parent/carers of children, young people & adults with disabilities/additional needs & is the parent/carer forum for Slough. We are all volunteers working in partnership with the Slough Children's Services Trust, Local Authority, CCG's and voluntary organisations to help shape and develop future services in Slough through participation and co-production with all your views & experiences that you share with us, without you we couldn't change things for all children/young people/adults in Slough.

Our mission is to raise awareness about the rights and needs of children/young people/adults with additional needs and to ensure that they and their families are consulted and participate in any decisions made during the planning and delivery of services for all our additional needs children/young people & adults.

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Our office: Classroom 3,
Cippenham Baptist Church.
11 Elmshott Lane. SL1 5QS

Every Monday - Drop – in anytime
between 10.30am – 12.30pm
(except Bank Holidays)

Coffee Days 2019

Cippenham Baptist Church Hall.
11 Elmshott Lane. SL1 5QS

Drop in anytime between 9.30am – 1pm
You choose what time, & how long you
wish to stay

Next coffee day: Friday 5th April
(with guest speakers @10am)

Janette Fullwood

Head of Children, Young People and Families.
NHS East Berkshire Clinical Commissioning Group

Beth Read- SBC

Community Development & Partnerships Officer
Commissioning and Transformation (Talking about
Carers Digital Resource)

Educational Psychologist

Family Information Service & How to navigate
Slough's Local Offer.

Fridays

10th May

14th June (with lunch, Carers Week)

12th July

13th September (with lunch)

11th October (with lunch, AGM)

15th November

13th December

Dear Parent / carers,

Berkshire East Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is keen to continue to respond to the rising demand for ADHD and ASD services in Berkshire and ensure that the support and services that it provides are coherent and accessible.

It is recognised that a whole systems approach to delivering services is critical and should include partners from local authorities, the voluntary sector, schools and the community all working together in a joined- up way to support the person with ASD and/or ADHD and you as a carer.

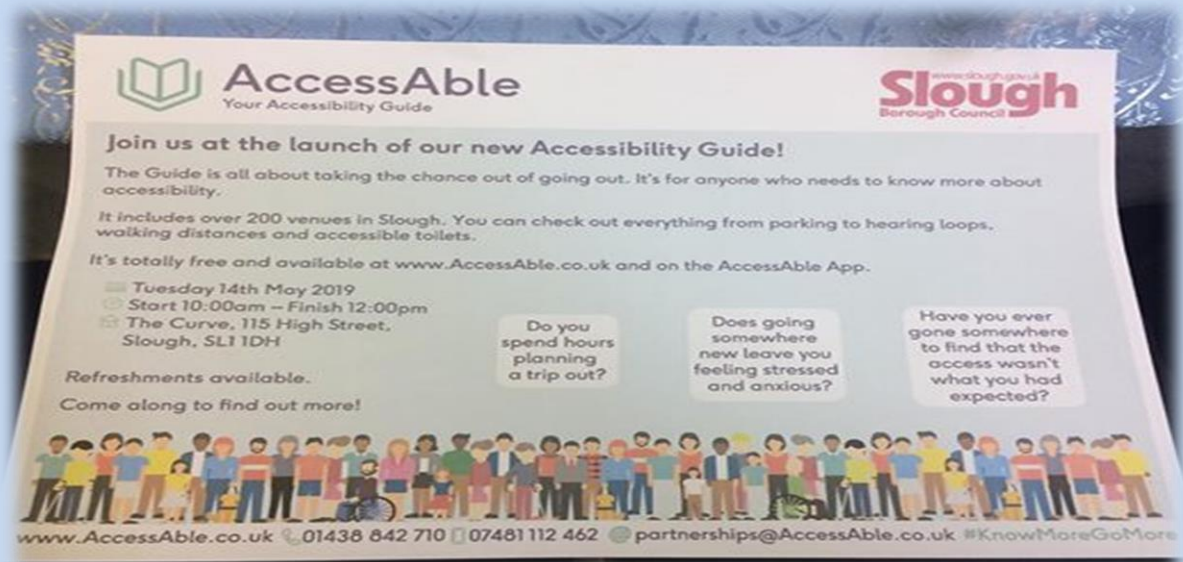
As demand has risen, communities across the UK are adopting new ways of supporting services across their lives to cope, get help, access more help and to manage risk.

The CCG are keen to build on the investments they have made and learn from others and assess options and embrace innovations. As part of the work that is currently underway, we would be grateful if you would take the time to click on the link below and complete the carers survey we have designed. We really want to capture your experience of the support you and the person you are caring for have received so far.

All submissions are anonymous however we do want to know in which area in Berkshire East you are receiving your services from. The information collated from the completed surveys will help inform our stakeholder workshops which will be publicised very shortly and you are welcome to attend. The workshops will outline the headline statistics and projected demand for services over the next 5, 10 and 20 years, they will outline the current 'as is' state of provision of services and gaps and we will be seeking people's views as to what good looks like for ASD and ADHD services for Berkshire East. The survey will be closed on 18th April.

Many thanks you for your help.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DNYNNC7>



State of Caring Survey 2019

The State of Caring Survey is the UK's most comprehensive research into the lives and experience of carers. Last year (2018) it was completed by over 7000 carers so please help to make it more this year by completing the survey for 2019.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TQLBC58>

More details can be found on:

www.carersuk.org/news-and-campa.../state-of-caring-survey-2019

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