

Frequently Asked Questions

Are there any details available yet as to how the proposed new scheme for flexible support will work?

If the proposals are agreed the Council expects to develop further detail regarding specific administration processes; including the assessment, request for support, how decisions would be reviewed, organisational support and service monitoring. Subject to the outcome of consultation we would do more work with families to design these details together.

Will these proposals mean my current support is taken away?

One to one support:

Currently, there is not an assessment of the child's, young person's or family's circumstances and the level of support they may need as the current Aiming High Offer is based solely on the nature of the child or young person's disability. The proposed eligibility criteria are different to the current scheme. This could result in differences in the services some families receive in the future as under the new proposed arrangements the support received would be identified through an Early Help Assessment (EHA). Young People's direct payments or personal budgets will not be affected by these proposals.

Group activities:

Anyone accessing the group activities may experience a reduction this provision.

Will having one approved provider per district for group activities reduce choice for families?

This would reduce the element of choice. We are facing massive budget pressures and we have to make some very hard decisions. We think that it is important that some group provision should remain even if this is reduced. Whilst choice around group activities would reduce, there would be a wider choice of providers for those families eligible for flexible support as it is proposed that this could be delivered by any provider on the Council's "framework of providers".

Are there any meetings or briefings I can attend?

Yes, there are 15 in total across Derbyshire varying between morning and evening events. At least one Derbyshire County Council representative will attend to respond to questions you may have.

Date	Time	Venue
Monday 10 th November	10:30 -12:30	Ashbourne Leisure Centre, Committee Room, Leisure Way, Ashbourne DE6 1AA
Tuesday 11 th November	19:00 -20:30	Dronfield Sports Centre, Civic Way, Dronfield S18 1PD
Wednesday 12 th November	10:00 -12:00	Sharpes Pottery Museum, West Street, Swadlincote, DE11 9DG
Thursday	19:00 -20:30	St Thomas' Centre,

13 th November		Chatsworth Road, Brampton, Chesterfield, S40 3AW
Friday 14 th November	10:30 -12:30	The Hub, Room 2, Shiners way, South Normanton, DE55 2AA
Monday 17 th November	10:30 -12:30	Coney Green Business Centre, Clay Cross, S45 9JW
Monday 17 th November	19:00 -20:30	Etwall Leisure Centre, Spin Room, Hilton Road, Etwall, DE65 6HZ
Tuesday 18 th November	19:00 -20:30	The Arena, 1 Rutland Street, Cotmanhay, Ilkeston, DE7 8DG
Thursday 20 th November	10:30 -12:30	Erewash Volunteer Centre, Granville Avenue, Long Eaton, NG10 4HD
Thursday 20 th November	19:00 -20:30	Swanwick School & Sports College, Hayes Lane, Swanwick, Nr Alfreton, DE55 1AR
Friday 21 st November	10:30 -12:30	Buxton Library, Kents Bank Road, Buxton, SK17 9HW
Monday 24 th November	10:30 -12:30	Strutts Centre, Room 14, Derby Road, Belper, DE56 1UU
Tuesday 25 th November	10:30 -12:30	Hadfield Hall, Station Road, Glossop, SK13 1AA
Wednesday 26 th November	10:30 -12:30	Cromford Mills, Riber Room, Mill Road, Cromford

		DE4 3RG
Thursday 27 th November	19:00 -20:30	The Assembly Rooms, George Bratt Room, Hilltop, Bolsover, S44 6NG

How are you consulting with young people?

We want the views of children and young people to be at the heart of the services we provide for them. Our Disability Inclusion Team will arrange opportunities for young people to give their views through specialist youth groups, classroom sessions and special schools forum.

Who can complete or respond to the consultation?

We want all the families and young people who use the service to tell us their views on the proposals. We also want to hear from those who deliver services and those who work with disabled children and young people and their families. We want to hear from everyone who may be affected by these proposals.

What will happen after the consultation?

Following the consultation recommendations will be made in a Cabinet report. Families using the services and providers will be informed of any planned changes.

Am I too late to take part in the consultation?

The consultation ends on the 15th December.

Objections to 'the about you' question

They are standard consultation questions. It will not be possible to identify anyone individually: we need to know if we have got the views of a cross section of society