



# Useful Information SEND/Safeguarding Links



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### **Doncaster Council Local Offer - Specialist Education Support Services**

The Local Offer is Doncaster's online source of information about special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) for children and young people aged 0-25 years. Our website will tell you what help and support is available from City of Doncaster Council, the local NHS Foundation Trust (RDaSH) and other partners such as education and social care.

The Local Offer can be used by:

- Parents and carers
- Children and young people
- Professionals and agencies working with families

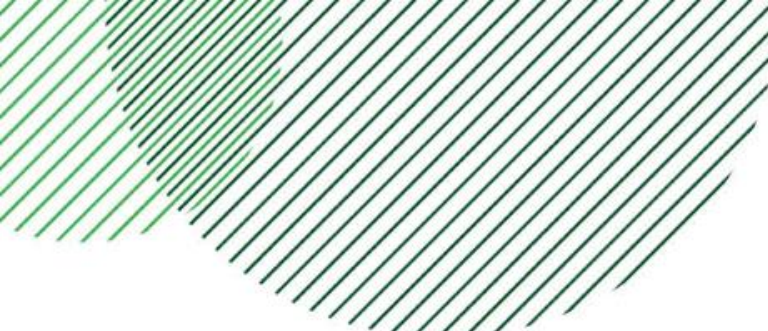


<https://youtu.be/iAcoC-sHMul> (video)

### **Local Offer - Early Years Inclusion (0-4 years)**

Advice on where to get help and support with childcare and early education for children 0-4 years with Special Educational needs

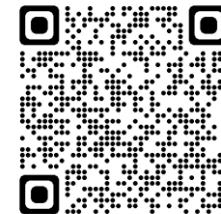




**Special Educational Needs and Disabilities information, advice and support (SENDIAS)**

Doncaster SENDIAS provides information, advice and support (IAS) to parents, carers, children and young people in relation to Special Educational Needs (SEN) and Disability and related health and social care issues.

[Doncaster SENDIAS - City of Doncaster Council](#)



## Autism and Social Communication Education and Training Service (ASCETS)



ASCETS work with schools, children and young people and their families to support the improvement of learning outcomes, particularly where they have an autism diagnosis or social communication needs. ASCETS work primarily with children from the age of 5 years old when they start attending F2 / Reception, up to the age of 25 when young people could still be accessing college. This work is focused on the ways in which we can contribute to the assessment, planning, delivery and review of pupils' achievements and progress, particularly through SEN support plans or other targeted plans run by schools with pupils and families.

Children who are younger than this are supported by the Early Years Inclusion Team (EYIT) that works with Private, Voluntary and Independent settings as well as maintained nurseries (from September 2016) - this is inclusive of children who may have a diagnosis of autism or social communication needs. Please see the early years offer for SEND for [further details on EYIT](#).

The service supports schools in developing robust provision for pupils with Autism and Social Communication Difficulties through the delivery of external training (ASCETS Autism Essentials) and bespoke training in school.

ASCETS consists of specialist teachers and specialist support officers whose work is mainly focused through the ways they can contribute to the support plans run by schools. Please talk to your school's SENCO about how the ASCETS team might become involved in contributing to your child's planned support to improve learning outcomes.

For up to date information please check the DAS Facebook page or contact Doncaster Parents' Voice

- Telephone: 07536455292
- Email: [das@doncastercarers.org.uk](mailto:das@doncastercarers.org.uk)
- Address: Doncaster Carers Centre, 2 Regent Terrace, South Parade, Doncaster, DN1 2EE
- Facebook: [Doncaster Autism Service](#)

## Behaviour Outreach Support Services (BOSS)



### Behaviour Outreach Support Service (BOSS)

Our team vision is to enhance and empower the circle of support for Doncaster children, inspiring them to become the best version of themselves.

We work with primary and secondary schools, children and families in an outreach capacity. We work alongside schools to support children & young people who may be experiencing behavioural difficulties or have an unmet or identified social, emotional mental health need (SEMH).

Our services include:

- Specialist support advice and guidance to schools specifically around supporting children with behaviour and SEMH needs.
- Bespoke pieces of work with children to support them in their mainstream setting either as one to one or in a small group capacity.
- We work collaboratively with families, schools and other agencies to create, monitor and deliver bespoke support plans for children with behaviour or SEMH needs.
- Training offer for schools e.g. Midday supervisor training, Keyworker, therapeutic approaches, ACEs etc.
- Family support which may include direct work with families or delivery of parenting support courses e.g. Family Links.
- Transition support for children moving through key stages e.g. Year 6 to Year 7.

The service can be accessed by schools referring children for outreach support. We also offer open training for schools and other agencies at our office in Bentley - this can be tailored to meet the needs of the client and offered in-house where necessary.

#### Contact / Referral

If you feel your child may benefit from our services, please contact their school. If your child is already accessing the service and you would like more information, please speak to their school in the first instance.

Should you need further information, please email [lisa.green@doncaster.gov.uk](mailto:lisa.green@doncaster.gov.uk)

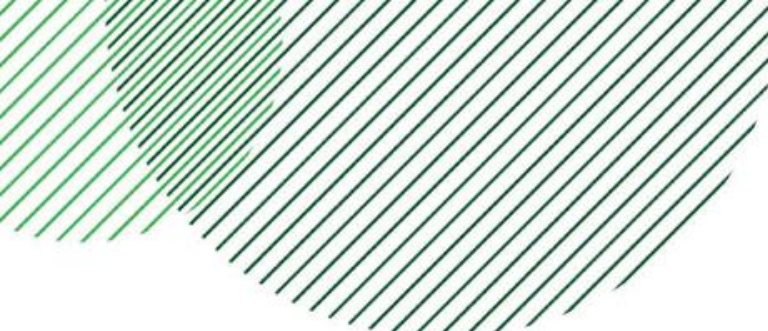
## CAMHS



[CAMHS – Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services \(rdash.nhs.uk\)](https://rdash.nhs.uk)

The Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service provided by Rotherham, Doncaster and South Humber NHS Foundation Trust.

The service works with children, young people and their families who are experiencing emotional wellbeing and mental health difficulties. Teams are made up of several different professions who are able to work with children and young people up to the age of 18, working as part of a wider network of services that offer help and support to children and young people who have mental health difficulties and their families or carers. Staff are highly trained in a range of different assessment techniques and evidence based therapies and in partnership with other agencies who offer services tailored to the needs of the children, young people and [families who use our service](#).



**Doncaster Parents' Voice**

Doncaster Parents' Voice ( DPVoice ) is run by parents of children with a variety of additional needs, we exist to support families with disabled children whenever they need us.

Parents often come to us at their most vulnerable and with no one to turn to, DPVoice offers support, information, advocacy, advice and peer support for families with similar issues.

We have two fully trained volunteer independent supporters who help families going through the EHP process.

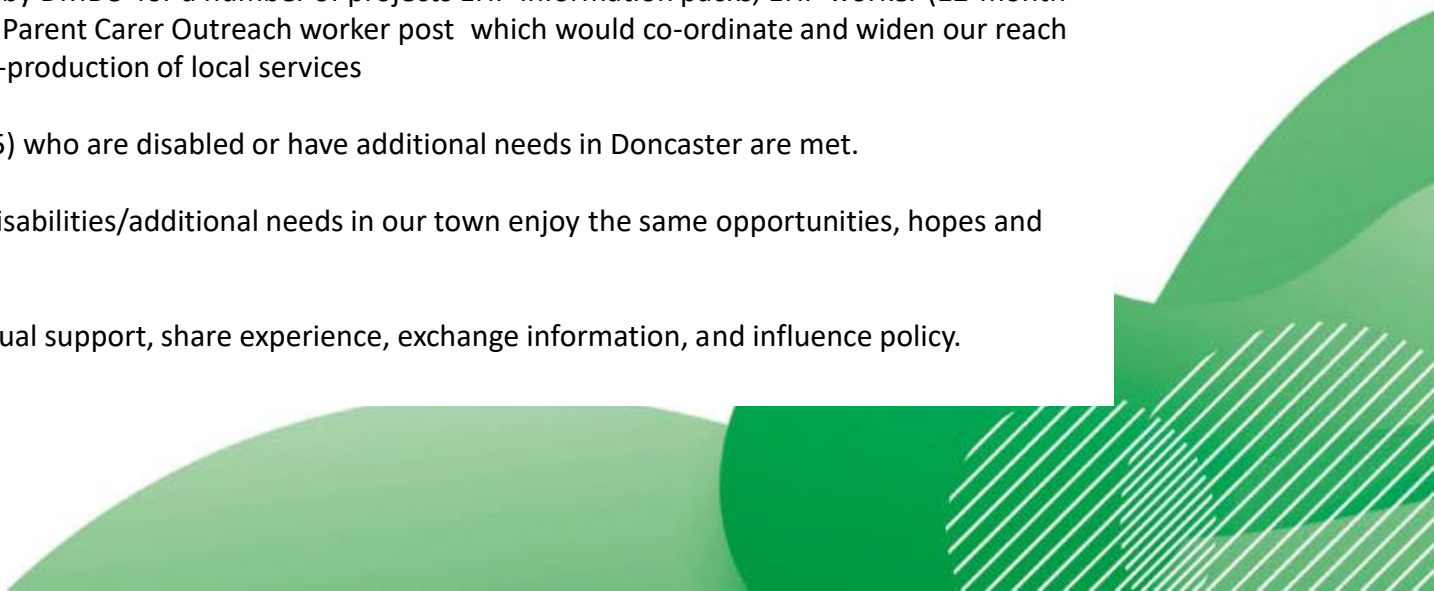
DPVoice provides practical support such as admin and use of premises to The LADDER Group (Young Persons Disability Forum) as well as help with fundraising, activity sessions and events.

We are funded by the Department of Education and were recently funded by DMBC for a number of projects EHP Information packs, EHP worker (12-month post) Resources for Ladder Group) we are currently looking for funds for a Parent Carer Outreach worker post which would co-ordinate and widen our reach We encourage parents to become actively involved in participation and co-production of local services

Our aim is to ensure the needs of all children and young people (aged 0-25) who are disabled or have additional needs in Doncaster are met.

Our vision is that all children, young people and their families living with disabilities/additional needs in our town enjoy the same opportunities, hopes and aspirations as other families in Education, Health, Social Care and leisure.

We bring together parents/carers from across the borough to provide mutual support, share experience, exchange information, and influence policy. To achieve this we work with services and other groups in Doncaster





## Domestic Abuse Hub

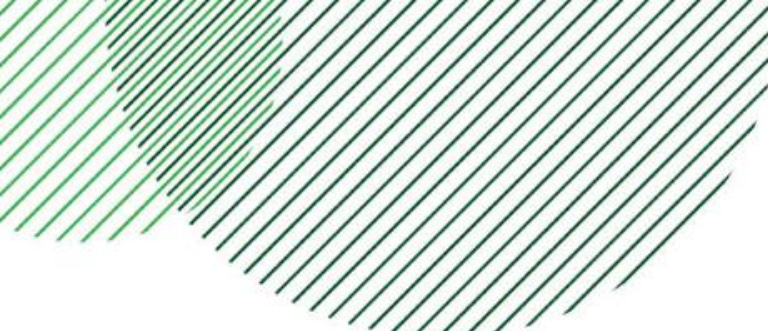
(link) [Domestic Abuse - City of Doncaster Council](#)

Domestic abuse can happen to anyone; partners; ex-partners; family members; regardless of sexuality or gender orientation, race, background or upbringing.

Children and young people can also be affected by the abuse that they see and hear, and they can be harmed as part of domestic abuse between adults. Young people may also experience abuse from their own boyfriend/girlfriend.

For confidential advice, information and support, call the Domestic Abuse Hub on **01302 737080**, email [dahub@doncaster.gov.uk](mailto:dahub@doncaster.gov.uk) or complete our online self-referral form: [Doncaster Domestic Abuse Hub Self-Referral Form - City of Doncaster Council](#)





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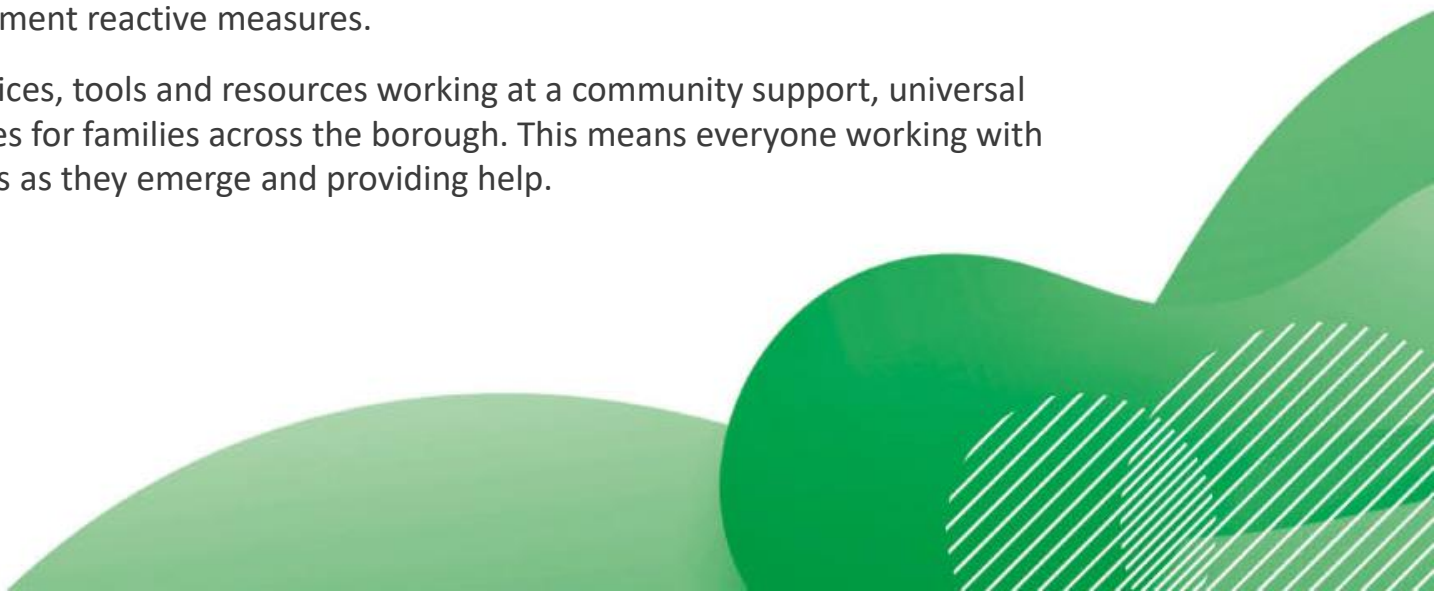


**Early Help** (link) [Early Help | Doncaster Safeguarding Children Partnership \(dscp.org.uk\)](https://www.dscp.org.uk)

Early Help is a way of thinking and working together as services with families that have additional or more complex needs. Early Help is focused on prevention, early intervention, and the provision of support for families to prevent or reduce the need for statutory services. By working with families to identify their strengths, Early Help is focused on building resilience and creating sustainable change that enables families to overcome any future challenges.

The Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018 document outlines that it is far more effective to be proactive and promote the welfare of children than to be faced with the need to implement reactive measures.

Early Help in Doncaster is an interconnected system of services, tools and resources working at a community support, universal and, acute and targeted level designed to improve outcomes for families across the borough. This means everyone working with children or their families is responsible for identifying needs as they emerge and providing help.





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In order to support all children in Doncaster in reaching their full potential, be safe, healthy and happy.  
The Early Help Outcomes Framework if followed.



- Getting a good education
- Good early years development
- Improved mental and physical health
- Promoting recovery and reducing harm from substance use
- Improved family relationships
- Children safe from abuse and exploitation
- Crime prevention and tackling crime
- Safe from domestic abuse
- Secure housing
- Financial stability

#### **Report a concern**

[Report a Concern | Doncaster Safeguarding Children Partnership \(dscp.org.uk\)](https://dscp.org.uk)



## **EARLY HELP STRATEGY (2022-2025)**

[DES-1034-Early-Help-Strategy-v02.indd \(windows.net\)](#)

## **Online safety**

[Keeping children safe online | NSPCC](#)

[Homepage - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

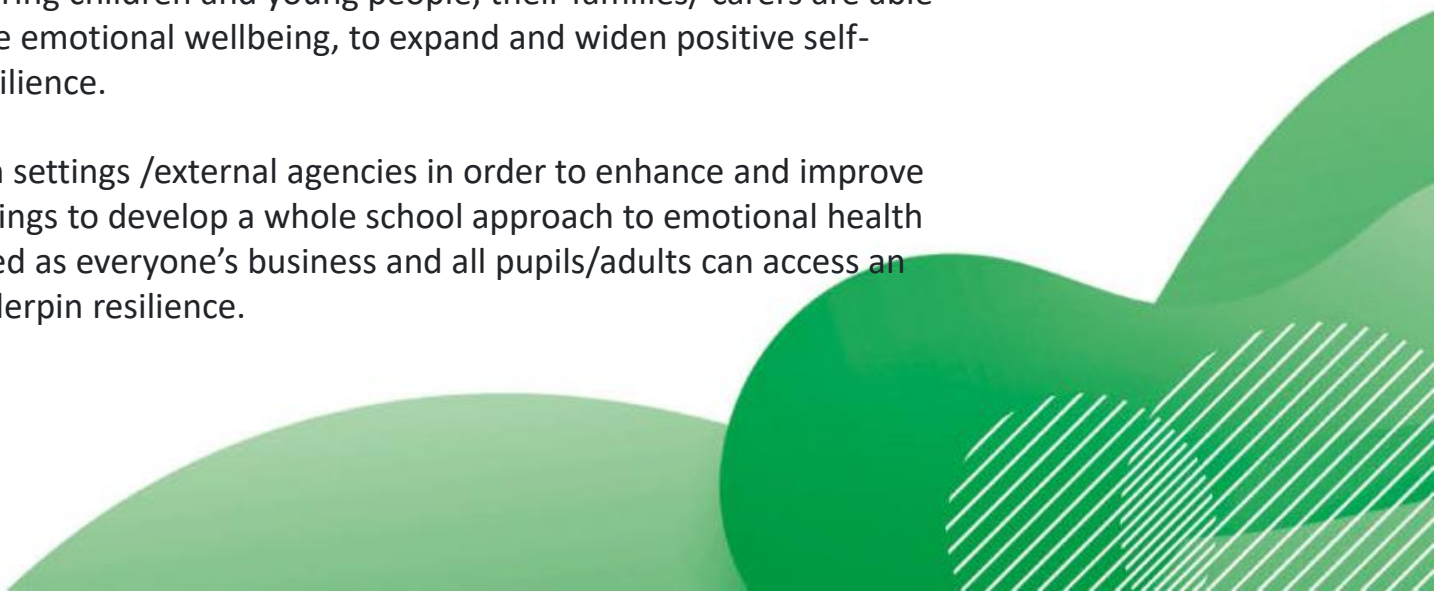


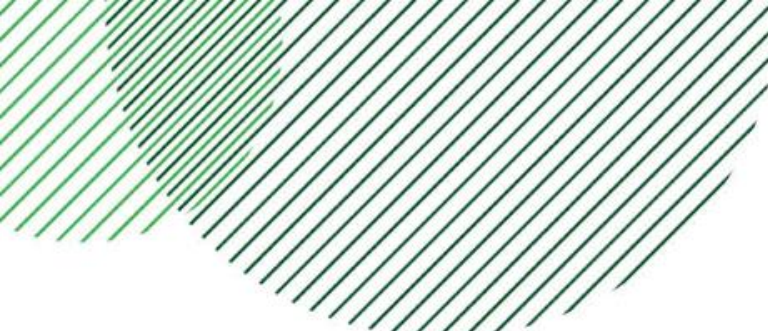
### With me in mind [Doncaster – With Me In Mind](#)

With Me in Mind is the name of one of the national Mental Health Support Teams (MHSTs) and there are teams based in both Doncaster and Rotherham. The service was identified following the release of the Government Green Paper (2017), “Transforming Children and Young People’s Mental Health” in which there was a focus on earlier intervention and prevention, especially in, and linked to schools and colleges. One of the core proposals from the paper was to fund new Mental Health Support Teams, which are predominantly being supervised by NHS Children and Young People’s Mental Health Services as well as local charity/private services.

The service focuses on early prevention and intervention; ensuring children and young people, their families/ carers are able to access appropriate support to improve and maintain positive emotional wellbeing, to expand and widen positive self-esteem and to increase their self-efficacy in order to create resilience.

With me in Mind work in collaboration with school’s/education settings /external agencies in order to enhance and improve relationships. They hope that this will support educational settings to develop a whole school approach to emotional health and wellbeing ensuring that positive mental health is recognised as everyone’s business and all pupils/adults can access an environment that develops strengths and coping skills that underpin resilience.





**Your Place your Family**

We know every family is different and we want to provide support and information that is right for you... We provide support and information that is unique to families and residents when everyday issues become difficult. By using resources to support families we can implement a coordinated approach to resolving issues. The team are on hand to chat with you about what's concerning you or anything you feel you need support with. We are here to listen and to help resolve your issues.

Here are a few things you can chat to the team about:

- Benefits
- Family Support
- Local groups and activities
- Childcare
- Anti-social behaviour
- Housing support
- Employment
- Debt and financial concerns
- Education support for your child as well as information for adults wanting access to adult learning courses.

Link - [Your Place Team - YourLifeDoncaster](#)





## **Solihull Parenting Programme**

Link to what it is

<https://youtu.be/yjr7D84r5Mg>

Address [Solihull Approach | Parenting | Training for professionals \(solihullapproachparenting.com\)](#)

The Solihull Approach is a team of professionals within the National Health Service in the UK. We work with practitioners and parents to develop new resources to support emotional health and well-being in children, families, adults and older adults. We are a 'not for profit' organisation.

The sound and well-researched ideas that underpin the Approach are embedded in every aspect of our training for professionals, comprehensive resources, groups for parents and anytime online courses for parents.

“Across the UK and internationally, the Solihull Approach supports mental health and wellbeing in parents, children, schools, older adults and high stress workplaces through an evidence based model in trainings, online courses and resources. Dr Hazel Douglas MBE originally developed the model whilst working with a team of health visitors, child and adolescent mental health services and families, then moving to include social services, education practitioners, and many more. A wonderfully inclusive journey over 25 years.

The Solihull Approach model is now used in most areas of the UK with many projects across the world, applied from midwives, health visitors, family workers, foster carers, social workers and teachers to firefighters and prison officers and in homes, hospitals, clinics, companies, schools and prisons.

“The model is about the fundamentals of life...how we relate to each other, how we process our emotions and how **knowing** about this makes a difference.



# Keeping children safe in education 2023

## Keeping Children Safe in Education 2023

Address [Keeping children safe in education 2023 \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)

[Keeping Children Safe in Education \(KCSIE\) 2023 is a statutory guidance that schools and colleges in England must follow to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.](#)

[It was updated by the Department of Education \(DfE\) on 6th June 2023 and will come into effect on 1st September 2023. It covers topics such as safeguarding policies, staff training, online safety, peer-on-peer abuse, mental health and more](#)

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## **ECO is a community charity. Our aim is to improve and regenerate Edlington**

EDLINGTON COMMUNITY ORGANISATION WHO ARE WE !

Edlington Community Organisation (ECO) is a community charity based in the centre of Edlington, Doncaster. Our aim is to improve and regenerate Edlington and its surrounding areas to make it a better place to live for all generations present and yet to come. As a charity we thrive off community involvement and partnership working alongside various groups and businesses.

ECO was formed by a broad section of community representatives and residents wanting to make a difference to Edlington and create a voice / umbrella service for the community. The organisation is managed by a volunteer board of trustees who either represent a community group or themselves as an individual.

We have a members list which consists of community groups, businesses and local service providers who we use to network with and work in partnership with to provide projects and activities that are needed in the area. We work in partnership with all local groups and statutory bodies, a few are:

Edlington Town Council Warmsworth Town Council

Warmsworth Community Partnership DMBC Ward Members

Community First Edlington Business Forum

Friends of Martin Wells Lake Hill Top Adult Learning Centre

Warmsworth & Edlington Lions Yorkshire Main Community Centre

Yorkshire Main Commemorative Trust Edlington Children's Centre

Conisbrough and Denaby Development Trust Edlington TARA's





As well as applying for funding we provide services to generate a small amount of income such as photocopying, faxing, laminating, typing etc... for the general public to access.

ECO has achieved over 1 million pounds in funding and contracts to provide essential community services since its formation. Some of our projects have been:

Community Active Recreational Activities – Organising children’s activities during school holidays and improving adults participation in sport by organising walking groups and older peoples basic chair exercise. Supported the MUGA (Multi Use Games Area’s ) projects in both Edlington (Located at Victoria School) & Warmsworth (Located at the Flower Park) and set up various recreational groups including fishing clubs, cricket, football and pigeon flying.

ICT Suite & Courses – Based in Yorkshire Main Community Centre. Providing free internet and computer access for all ages. Running courses in family tree, digital photography and homework clubs.

Community Development Worker – Seeking funding for groups, setting up new community groups and activities such as allotment societies, Tennants and Resident Groups etc.. as well as providing advice and guidance on local community services.

Community Accountancy Service – Providing free budgeting, finance and accounting services to community groups. Offering advice on role of management committees and their responsibilities.

Community Maintenance Project – DIY service for people in need. Decorating, gardening and community safety at a small charge. Purchased personal alarms, window alarms and carbon monoxide alarms to hand out in the community.

[Edlington Community Organisation | Doncaster | Facebook](#)

## Family Hubs

### What are Family Hubs?

Family Hubs bring together multiple organisations in a 'one stop shop' to make it easier to get the help you and your family need. Family Hubs unite lots of different organisations, so you only have to explain what you need help with once, rather than having to tell many different people. Meanwhile, professionals can work together more effectively to help you overcome any difficulties you might be facing. Previously these services could be disjointed and hard to navigate but Family Hubs offer guidance and advice on a range of circumstances including, infant feeding, mental health support, health visits and parenting classes. The hub itself may or may not be a single building – instead, it could be a network of different physical locations in the community, as well as online services.

### Who are Family Hubs for?

Family Hubs are for families with babies, children and young people from birth until they reach the age of 19 (or up to 25 for young people with special educational needs and disabilities).

### Where can I find my local Family Hub?

We're funding 75 councils in England to open new Family Hubs, or to expand existing hubs. For information on what is currently available in your area, search for your council's local 'family information service'.

### What kind of services are available at Family Hubs?

Hubs help you to access a range of help, including support for your physical and mental health, housing and debt advice, youth services, domestic abuse support, as well as services run by charities.

At the heart of Family Hubs are services that give babies a great [start for life](#), helping parents build strong relationships with their babies by providing things like parenting classes, midwifery, health visiting, infant feeding advice and perinatal mental health support.





What have you announced?

All 75 councils eligible to take part have now successfully signed up to the Family Hubs and Start for Life programme. This means they'll benefit from an investment of £300 million up to 2025 to transform services for parents, carers, babies, and children in their area.

We've also announced the 14 'trailblazer' councils who will receive extra funding to make the quickest improvements for families in their areas, and to support other areas with their expertise. They will lead the way for other family hubs across the country.

Why are Family Hubs so important?

All kinds of families face challenges from time to time. Family Hubs make it simpler to get the help that the whole family needs. Strong, supportive families make for more stable communities and happier individuals.

Investing in families and making sure they get the support they need from birth through to adulthood helps with children's educational attainment, wellbeing and life chances, while also improving wider outcomes such as mental health and unemployment.

We also know that the time from conception to the age of 2 lays important foundations for children's emotional and physical development. We want to support parents through the early years of a child's life, understanding how challenging it can be. By helping to establish nurturing, supportive environments for the youngest members of society, family hubs will make it easier for parents and carers to give their children the best start in life.

#### Useful addresses/numbers

- National 24 hour Domestic Abuse Helpline - 0808 2000 247
- Respect Men's Advice Line - Email support [info@mensadviceline.org.uk](mailto:info@mensadviceline.org.uk) Mon-Fri 9am-8pm, Sat & Sun 10am-12pm & 4pm-6pm
- St. Leger Homeless out of hours - 01302 736000
- Mental Health Crisis team - 0800 804 8999
- Samaritans - call free on 116 123 or email [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)