

# SEND Family Voice, Redcar and Cleveland Parent and Carer Forum

## What is a PCF?

A parent and carer forum is made up of a group of parents and carers who have children and young people aged 0 - 25 years with SEND. Their aim is to make sure that services in their area meet the needs of children and young people with SEND and their families.

## Who are SEND Family Voice?

SEND Family Voice, Redcar and Cleveland is the parent and carer forum for families in Redcar and Cleveland

We are based in Grangetown United Hub and work across all of Redcar and Cleveland.

## What is SEND?

A child or young person has Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND) if they have a learning difficulty and/or a disability that means they need special health and education support. We shorten this to SEND.

## Who funds SEND Family Voice?

We are funded by the Department for Education and supported by the National Network of Parent Carer Forums.

We are independent and do not work for any professionals. We undertake regular training to improve our services to families in the Redcar and Cleveland area.

## What do we do?

We engage with families' to find out their experiences and feedback to services and professionals to ensure the promotion of inclusive practice.

We aim to empower other families by sharing information and experience.

Influence and shape services through representations of families voices, ensuring a local offer that is shaped by the needs of children and young people with SEND.

## Who can get involved?

SEND Family Voice, Redcar and Cleveland Parent and Carer Forum is always looking for new members to join us!

The forum is open to parents and carers, family members, guardians and foster parents of children and young people with SEND aged 0-25 years (no diagnosis required)

If you live in Redcar and Cleveland and have a passion for SEND we want to hear from you.

## Where can you find us?

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