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Information for applicants

Bexley Voice's

Vision, Mission and Values

Bexley Voice (BV) is the Parent Carer Forum for Bexley and a member of the National Network of Parent Carer Forums.

BV is a registered charity, led by a small voluntary team of dedicated parent/carers and those with a passion to support families who have a child/children or young person with special educational needs and or disability. We support families who have children/young people between 0-25yrs.

We are committed to ensuring parent/carers are well informed on issues and services locally, regionally and nationally and that they have their collective voice heard.

We work closely, as a team, supporting and encouraging each other, to make a positive difference for the SEND families in Bexley.

Vision – what we would like the world to look like

A world where children and young people with SEND and their families have equal opportunities and access to the right support and education to enable them to lead independent and fulfilling lives and reach their full potential.

Mission – how Bexley Voice proposes to get there

To support and empower parent/carers of children and young people (0-25) with SEND, in Bexley, ensuring all parent/carers have their views heard both in relation to their child's needs and to inform the planning and development of services locally and nationally.

Our Aims:

To represent families by providing a 'voice' to express their views and opinions, to help improve the lives of children with special needs. We do this by

- *Attending meetings with Bexley Council for the development and provision of services for our children and young people.*
- *Providing a central parent consultation point for Bexley Council and service providers*
- *Proactively providing ongoing feedback to service providers on performance*
- *Raising awareness of the impact of a wide range of special needs on family life*
- *Providing views, based on personal experiences and canvassed opinion, ensuring that all parents and carers, whatever their background, have the opportunity to have their opinions represented..*

What can we offer?

- *The opportunity to work in a small, friendly, supportive and informal team comprised of Trustees, volunteers, and part time staff.*
- *The opportunity to influence local authority SEND strategy and its delivery.*
- *A degree of flexibility around home working and flexible hours to fit around family commitments.*
- *Training/ self development.*
- *The opportunity to make a difference to our Families and gain a sense of achievement and fulfilment.*