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Inclusion of disabled children in recreation and leisure activities



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Short Breaks for Disabled Children

We are working in partnership with Childrens' Services.

For children and young people who:

- have a disability and/or additional needs
- aged between 0 and 19 years old
- live in and/or attend a school in Hampshire

Note: Southampton, Portsmouth and IOW run similar programmes

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Gateway Card



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Over **4,900** disabled children and young people have registered for a **Gateway Card**

- Autism spectrum
- Learning disability
- Physical disability
- Other...
- Sensory impairment
- Complex health care
- Challenging behaviour

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What is a Short Break?

- Disabled children and young people doing safe, fun and interesting activities (in out of school time)
- Providing parents/full-time carers with a short break from caring

No support

Some support

High level support

Mainstream

Specialist

- Pay standard cost, no more



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Arts/Museums Success Stories



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- Open days at all HCC Arts Centre
- Activities for local groups
- Supported individuals in classes
- Autism friendly shows – bean bags, can move about, noise okay
- Milestones open evenings, direct response to parent feedback



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Archives and Libraries



- Targeted events in the HRO
- Access guide/social stories produced
- Summer reading challenge
- Audio and tactile books
- Boardmaker/Makaton in libraries



www.hants.gov.uk/boardmaker

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Outdoors Success Stories

- Outdoor disability awareness training – canoe, climb, general
- Kit – hoists, harnesses, seat support, cycles, all terrain wheelchairs
- No Limits Club – Calshot
- Runways End



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Countryside Success Stories



- All terrain wheelchairs
- Story trails – across sites
www.hants.gov.uk/storytrails
- Staunton – regular activities, whole staff training
- Play area – Manor Farm and Royal Victoria Country Parks



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Sports Success Stories

- Leisure centres - supported swimming, activity buddies, open days
- Resources – sports wheelchairs, sports kit, cycles, racing wheelchairs
- 61 groups/organisations have been funded to deliver sporting activities
- ‘Sports for All’ coaching courses
- Flame festivals



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Training/Support Success Stories



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- Inspiring Inclusion Conferences
- Local Inclusion workshops
- Autism awareness talks
- Resource packs and eLearning
- Bridging Worker service – part of Parent Voice

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Short Breaks HCC and beyond

- 2008-2010 Aiming High for Disabled Children
- 2010 onwards The Short Breaks programme

Capital

- Community projects



Revenue

- >£5K grants – annual, local panels
- <£5K grants – fortnightly panels



HAMPSHIRE
PARENT / CARER
NETWORK

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Short Breaks Funding



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- Arts £263,918
- Libraries £36,166
- Museums £15,685
- Archives £10,121
- Outdoors £179,752
- Countryside £280,197
- Sport £200,437
- CCBS £264,534
- Training £101,958

TOTAL: £1,352,770.00

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- 'Inclusion' is for the long term.
- Huge investment in our services to build capacity – resources, training, marketing, networking, support ...
- 'Profit making' and what's 'reasonable'?
- Sustainability?

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Equality Act 2010



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- There is a legal requirement to make reasonable changes to the way things are done e.g. building/access, information, induction loops, computer software, additional staff
- Providers cannot charge disabled customers for 'reasonable' adjustments

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My favourite topic



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Let's talk about toilets

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DISABLED
TOILET

ACCESSIBLE
TOILET





Changing Places



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Changing Places toilets also have:

- a height-adjustable changing bench
- a hoist and plenty of space



See short videos and details on:

www.changing-places.org

They are for people who cannot use standard accessible toilets

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More Info

www.disabledgo.com

www.parentvoice.info

www.hampshiregateway.info

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