

Carers Centre & Parent Carers Aiming High

0800 0388 885 www.banescarerscentre.org.uk

A local charity supporting people who care for family and friends who need extra support day-to-day.

Youth Connect 01225 396980

youthconnect_supportservices@bathnes.gov.uk. Works with young people aged 11-25 to support, challenge and enable the learning of young people to realise their full potential.

Off The Record 01225 312481

www.offtherecord-banes.co.uk provide a range of free, confidential and independent services for children and young people that supports the development of their emotional health and well being.

Sirona 01225 831400 www.sirona-cic.org.uk provide health and social care support in B&NES.

Preparing for Adulthood

www.preparingforadulthood.org.uk

Transition Information Network

www.transitioninfonetwork.org.uk

This document can be made available in a range of languages, large print, Braille, on tape, electronic and accessible formats .

Local First Framework

Information for Parents/Carers

Local First—what do we mean?

To achieve the Preparing for Adulthood life outcomes, we believe in enabling young people with special Educational Needs and/or a Disability (SEND) to gain their further education locally, whenever possible. Access to good quality local educational provision is considered beneficial for many young people preparing for adulthood, as it helps them to build independence and achieve their aspirations with a network of support in their local communities.

What do families need to do?

As part of Education Health and Care planning from year 9, the following steps may be useful in investigating local provision options as a first step, with contact details overleaf:

- 1. Approach your local College to discuss options**
- 2. Consider a five day local Further Education package, to include respite and independent living support in 'wrap-around' support**
- 3. This can include building a bespoke package with a SEND Personal Budget, giving full choice and control over tailoring support to need**
- 4. Consider supported employment options**

Further information, support and advice is available via:

SENCO (Special Educational Needs Coordinator) based in all schools.

SEND Team 01225 394306

special_educationalneeds@bathnes.gov.uk. This team is responsible for completing the Education, Health and Care plan, organising provision and administering the plan. The SEND Practitioner for the young person can advise on local provision options, or the SEND Practitioner attending the young person's transfer review at school.

Budgets and Placements Officer 01225 394159.

special_educationalneeds@bathnes.gov.uk. Can advise and signpost on local provision options, and five day bespoke provision packages, and eligibility for SEND Personal Budgets where education funding can be linked to social care direct payments. See Personal Budgets leaflet.

Learning Support Manager, Bath College 01225 328563

<https://www.bathcollege.ac.uk/product/life-and-independent-living-skills>

Life for Independent Living Skills (LILS) is a two year course at Foundation Level, please see the link below:

Can be built into a five day package. The Learning Support manager can advise on entry requirements, also on options for Supported Employment.

Additional Learning Support Co-ordinator, South Bristol Skills Academy, Hengrove, Bristol

0117 312 5489

<http://www.cityofbristol.ac.uk/courses/skills-for-work-life-further-study/vocational-life-skills/horizons/>

One year's Focus or Horizon course at pre-entry level at South Bristol Skills Academy (Hengrove site), Bristol City Council).

Again a three day course, but this could be built into a five day package. SBSA also offer a Progression to Independence course for those able to progress to Entry Level 2/3, leading to Supported employment options. Both courses are linked to a new residential facility being opened near the SBSA site. The Additional Learning Support Co-ordinator would be happy to discuss entry requirements for this facility and application process.

SEND Partnership Service 01225 394382

send_partnershipservice@bathnes.gov.uk. SPS offers confidential, impartial and independent advice and support to families regarding their child's SEND provision in pre-school and school settings up to age 25.

Rainbow Resource www.rainbowresource.org.uk.

This is the Local Offer for families with a child or young person aged 0-25 years, who has special educational needs, a disability or additional needs. This will include a Supported Employment Pathway.