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Parent Carer Forum
Cheshire West & Chester

May 2022 Members Newsletter

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Dates for the Diary

Our Next PCF Event:
Wednesday 11th May 2022
10.00am - 2.00pm
at The Holiday Inn, Ellesmere Port

Agenda:

The EHCP Hub
Sensory Processing
Community Connections Service
Endorphins Group
Ofsted Update

Coffee/Tea on arrival. Lunch included.

Holiday Inn Ellesmere Port, Cheshire Oaks,
Lower Mersey Street, Ellesmere Port. CH65 2AL

Book online today to reserve your place.
www.pcfcheshirewest.org/whats-on

To book a place at the Forum - please click [here](#)

Cheshire West & Chester Council

People Commissioning

Council Offices, Civic Way

Ellesmere Port

CH65 0BE

Date: 25th April 2022

Dear Resident or Carer,

Community Led Care and Carers Consultation 25/04/2022 – 19/06/2022

We're writing to invite you to take part in a consultation on our proposals for the Community Led Care and Carers Service.

Cheshire West and Chester Council wants carers and residents across the borough to feel valued and empowered, to have access to the right support at the right time and ensure that this support helps people to stay as independent and as well as possible, for as long as possible.

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Both the community led care and carers contracts are due to end in September 2023. This gives us an opportunity to consult on options for the future of these services to make sure they offer the best support possible.

There are lots of ways you can get involved:

- You can read the Community Led Care and Carers Service summary on our website: www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/clcc-consultation
- Complete an online questionnaire at the same website
- Request paper and easy read versions by calling the council's contact centre on 0300 123 8123 quoting 'Community Led Care and Carers Consultation'
- Email your views to: CLCCC@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk
- Write to us at: Community Led Care and Carers Consultation, Peoples Commissioning and Contracts, Cheshire West and Chester Council, Floor 2, 4 Civic Way, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BE
- Telephone: The council's contact centre on 0300 123 8123 quoting 'Community Led Care and Carers Consultation'
- Make an appointment for a telephone discussion by either calling the council's contact centre on 0300 123 quoting 'Community Led Care and Carers Consultation' or emailing CLCCC@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk – please see Table 1 for a schedule of planned appointments


The consultation is open for responses until 19th June 2022.

Your views, stories and experiences will help us to develop services for residents and carers across the borough, and to make sure that future services reflect real need.


Thank you in advance for taking part in the consultation

Yours sincerely,

Charlotte Walton
Director of Adult Social Care and Health



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Table 1.
Telephone Interview Dates and Times by appointment only

Date	Time
Monday 09/05/22	10.00-11.00
Monday 09/05/22	11.30-12.30
Thursday 12/05/22	18.00 – 19.00
Thursday 12/05/22	19.30 – 20.30
Monday 16/05/22	13.00 – 14.00
Monday 16/05/22	14.30 – 15.30
Thursday 19/05/22	18.00 – 19.00
Thursday 19/05/22	19.30 – 20.30
Tuesday 24/05/22	14.00 – 15.00
Tuesday 24/05/22	15.30 – 16.30
Wednesday 25/05/22	12.00 – 13.00
Wednesday 25/05/22	15.00 – 16.00
Wednesday 08/06/22	11.00 – 12.00
Wednesday 08/06/22	13.00 – 14.00
Thursday 09/06/22	18.00 – 19.00
Thursday 09/06/22	19.30 – 20.30
Monday 13/06/22	11.00 – 12.00
Monday 13/06/22	13.00 – 14.00
Friday 17/06/22	13.00 – 14.00
Friday 17/06/22	15.00 – 16.00

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Date: Tuesday 24th May 2022

Time: 10am to 12.30pm

Where: Zoom

In this session, Steve Broach will go through the proposed legal changes in the SEND Green Paper, looking at potential positives and negatives from the perspective of children, young people and families. Issues to be covered include potential changes to rights to seek school placements and the process for mandatory mediation.

**For more details
on the event and
how to book
please visit**

<https://www.seashelltrust.org.uk/webinars-on/?cat=events>

or contact

familyservices.webinar@seashelltrust.org.uk



Date: Tuesday 24th May 2022

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To book on to this webinar, please visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/.../send-review-legal...>

Or contact.

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Gillian, it's just 4 weeks until entries close for the return of the National Junior Games at Stoke Mandeville Stadium 🏆



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- [Swimming](#)
- [Table Tennis](#)
- [Wheelchair Tennis](#)
- [Wheelchair Football](#)
- [Wheelchair Rugby](#)
- [Boccia](#)

[Our web page contains our entry form, a Q&A plus all our contact details](#). We are happy to answer any questions.

WheelPower.org.uk - Click Here



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We would like your views and feedback on:

- our priorities for these services,
- proposals for how they could be delivered in the future,
- what currently works well and any gaps or additional areas of support we should consider.

[Click here to participate in the Community led care and carers consultation](https://participatenow.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk)

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Carers' Survey 2022

Why are we carrying out this survey?

Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust are carrying out a Carers' Survey to help us better understand how well we are doing at involving and supporting people who are carers. The questions we are asking will help us to identify those areas where things are going well, and also where we could be doing better. We will use the data and feedback that we collect to make improvements to our services and the way we support carers. There is also opportunity to involve carers in related work projects and other research that we are doing, so there is a section at the end of this survey questionnaire if you would like to get involved.

Who is a carer?

A carer is anyone who looks after a partner, family member, friend, or someone else who needs help because of their illness, frailty, disability, mental ill health, or an addiction. The care they give is unpaid, and the person they care for cannot cope without their support. The sort of roles and responsibilities that carers provide varies widely. They can range from help with everyday tasks such as getting out of bed or personal care, to giving emotional support to help someone cope with their ill health. Carers can be children or adults. Many carers juggle their caring responsibilities with work, study, and other commitments.

Completing the survey questionnaire

We are here to help!

If you would like assistance with filling in this survey form, or if you have any questions, please contact the Patient and Carer Experience Team on 01244 397 397

Please find below link and QR code and link for the Cheshire and Wirral Partnership Trusts (CWP) Carer's Survey 2022

<https://forms.office.com/r/FeQj21Zgzz>



Parents/Carers & Young People Information Webinars - Progression to Employment

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Please see below timetable of a series of monthly webinars for parents/carers and young people to get information on key topics relating to transition with a focus on Aspiration and Ambition.

Cheshire West and Chester Council in partnership with our SEND Schools presents:

A Programme of Webinars for Parents/Carers & Young People to Support Progression to Further Learning & Employment

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	Employment Services	educational journey and you want to move into work. What support is available? Find out about our personalised employment mentoring programme; how we go about vocational profiling, preparing for employment and job matching with employers.	Senior Officer, Employment Support Lisa Breakspear - Project Coordinator for Journey First	and Chester Council		
22-Jun-22	End of Programme Evaluation and What Next?	This webinar will be used to review the topics included in this year's programme and start the planning process for the next academic year. What has worked well, what was missing, what can we include next time?	Paul Arista - SEND Manager Daniele Langford - Deputy Head	Cheshire West and Chester Council & Greenbank School	5-6 pm	

To join please use this link



Live Well Cheshire West - <https://www.livewell.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk>

Information Advice and Support Service (IASS) - Tel 0300 123 7001

<https://www.livewell.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/Services/1279>

SEN Team - Tel 0151 337 6505

senteam@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Starting Well - <http://www.startingwell.org.uk/>

West Cheshire 0-16 CAMHS Tel - 01244 393200

<https://www.cwp.nhs.uk/services-and-locations/services/west-cheshire-0-16-camhs/>

Get Involved with the PCF....

We are always looking for new parents and carers to join us. You can attend meetings, give feedback to influence the services your child or young person uses or help us to identify the gaps in services. Also, a chance to meet other parents and learn about what's on offer in Cheshire West & Chester.

To contact us.....visit our website www.pcfcheshirewest.org

email secretary.pcf.cwac@gmail.com

or join us for one of our meetings.

We hope to see you soon!



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