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## Forums 2022

### November In-Person Forum



Wed 23rd Nov 2022, 10am - 2pm

Presentations / Q&As on the day from:

**Mental Health Services**

CAMHS & LDCAMHS

**Social Care Services**

**Recreational Parks**

Feedback to the Council about our children's needs.

**Starting Well**

**Education**

Update on the SEN Team  
from Senior Manager, Paul Arista.

at **VICARS CROSS GOLF CLUB**

Tarvin Road, Great Barrow, Chester, CH3 7HN

Coffee/Tea & Lunch included • Marketplace

FREE - Book online to reserve your place.

[www.pcfcheshirewest.org/whats-on](http://www.pcfcheshirewest.org/whats-on)

PCF CWaC are looking forward to welcoming you back to our In-Person Forums.

The next In- Person Forum will take place in Chester.

Marketplace - Stands & Information on activities, groups and services in your area will also be available.

If you need any assistance attending this event or have any special dietary requirements then please email us at: [contact.pfcwac@gmail.com](mailto:contact.pfcwac@gmail.com) or call 07900 840867

To book your place please use the link below...

PCF November In-Person Forum Booking...



### **Steering Group**

Parent volunteers and professionals from Education, Health and Social Care continue to meet regularly to discuss developments and changes and ways of working together to improve services.

### **Wraparound/Transport Focus Group**

Parent volunteers are continuing to meet with representatives from the Local Authority to discuss the lack of wraparound care for children with special needs and disabilities. The group is also exploring transport options for children who want to attend wraparound care on other sites.

### **Complex Care Focus Group**

It was very good to meet all the parents who joined our first Complex Care Focus Group. Thanks to those who gave up their time to come and share their experiences.

### **School Representatives**

School Representative parent volunteers met via Zoom to share experiences. If anyone would like to volunteer to be a representative for their school then please email [contact.pfcwac@gmail.com](mailto:contact.pfcwac@gmail.com)

### **CWASSH**

The PCF has been attending meetings with the Special School Headteachers

### **Communications Team**

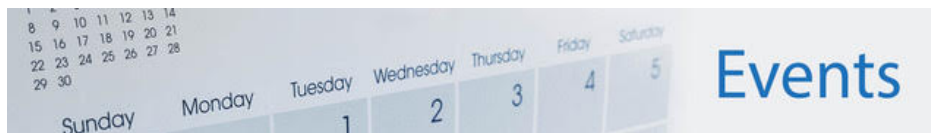
Meetings are ongoing between PCF representatives and the SEN team Communication Officer and the Live Well Website co-ordinator with the aim of improving communication with parent carers

## **Improving Navigation on Live Well Cheshire West**

**You said:** that it can be difficult to find services and information on Live Well Cheshire West

**We did:** Asked for your views looking at options to help improve finding services and information on the site. As a result of your feedback we are looking to add infographics/visual aids, improve categories, and search filters to help you navigate to what you are looking for.

**We want: your help!** Come along to our next [Microsoft Teams meeting focus group meeting](#) 7<sup>th</sup> December at 11.00 am-12:00 pm, give your views and tell us what you think about our new design. To join the meeting please on the above date click [here](#) or for more information please contact me: [emma.walker@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk](mailto:emma.walker@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk)



### [More Dates For Your Diary - Forums 2023](#)

Parent Carer Forum Event:  
**Wed 18th January 2023**  
10.30 - 11.30 am

**Topics:**  
**Social Care**  
Plus  
**Direct Payments Explained**

**Online Zoom Event**

Book online today to reserve your place.

[www.pcfcheshirewest.org/whats-on](http://www.pcfcheshirewest.org/whats-on)

PCF January Virtual Forum booking link...



**Wed 22nd March 2023, 10am - 2pm**

Come along to our free event on:

**Review of Services  
Meet the Professionals**

Also at the event:

Marketplace - Stands & Information on activities, groups and services in your area.

**at Vale Royal Abbey**

Vale Royal Drive Northwich CW8 2BA

Tea/Coffee & Cakes / Lunch - all included.

FREE - Book online to reserve your place.

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PCF March In-Person Forum booking link...

Parent Carer Forum Event:

**Wed 19th April 2023**

**10.30 - 12.00pm**

**Topics:**

A Roadmap and Introduction  
to Special Educational Needs  
– where to find support.

**Online Zoom Event**

Book online today to reserve your place.

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PCF April Virtual Forum booking link....



Parent Carer Forum  
Cheshire West & Chester

**Wed 24th May 2023, 10am - 2pm**

Presentations • Q&As • Marketplace

Come and Meet the Professionals for:

**Medication Services  
& Transition to Adulthood**

plus Information on activities, groups and services.

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

Coffee/Tea & Chat • Lunch included

FREE - Book online to reserve your place.  
[www.pcfcheshirewest.org/whats-on](http://www.pcfcheshirewest.org/whats-on)

PCF May In-Person Forum booking link...

## Signposting News USEFUL LINKS & INFORMATION

Cheshire West and Chester Council in partnership with our SEND Schools



### SEND Family Information Webinar

Want to know more about a Supported Internship, whether for next year or in future years and want to find out more? Who are YPS and what do they do?

**Join our Family Information Webinar online -  
23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 between 5-6pm**

A Supported Internship is a year long study programme with a substantial work placement for young people with an EHCP. It is the last stage in the education/training journey before employment.

[Supported Internship Webinar](#)

**To Join:** Click on the link above at 5pm on 23<sup>rd</sup> November

**Believe - Grow - Succeed**





**Little Lungs is a new NHS funded service, raising awareness of respiratory conditions in children aged 0-5.**

Providing information and support for parents/carers.

One to one phone calls, virtual groups, face to face meet ups at children's centres and baby groups.

Click the link below to find out more...

[Little Lungs Information Page](#)



**Making Space is running a virtual 4 session course**  
**Are you caring for someone with a learning disability or Autism living in**  
**Cheshire West & Chester?**  
**It's important to plan for their future when you are no longer able to care.**

This course offers you the knowledge and emotional support to prepare to plan ahead

[Making Space Course Information](#)

## **Perceived Gaps in Services**

Gaps in services have been identified from the Parent Carer Forum Survey in December 2021. To view the report and our executive summary visit the Live Well page in the link below.



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](mailto: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](http://www.pcfcheshirewest.org)

email [secretary.pcf.cwac@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.pcf.cwac@gmail.com)

or join us for one of our meetings.

We hope to see you soon!



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