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The Children and Young People engagement team are working alongside Welfare to Work and the Shadow Transition Board to create information tools for other young people which will include an easy read leaflet, video and a Facebook/Social media page.

### **EHC Plan and Process**

Final amendments have now been incorporated and the Plan has now been signed off by the Project Board. The plan and process will be reviewed after 1 year.

The Local Offer will contain simple and clear criteria for a statutory assessment and schools will provide evidence in referrals on what measures they have put in place so far and how their £6K nominal budget is being used to support an individual's needs.

### **All implementation documents will be shared at the last Myle Cross, Lincoln, Event**

The final session will be held 10.20am September 2nd , to book a place;  
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### **Letter to Parents**

A letter has been sent to parents of all children, young people who currently have a Statement of SEN explaining the changes and the timescales for conversion to EHC Plans [Letter to parents](#)

A letter is soon to be posted to those young people who currently have a section 139.a (or learning disability assessment).

### **Independent Supporters**

Council for Disabled Children (CDC) have announced that 142 Parent Partnership Services have been issued a contract to support an Independent Support service from 1 September 2014, Lincolnshire being one of them. All Independent Supporters will be trained to national standards by the organisation SENSE with online training from 18 August 2014 and 2 day face-to-face training from 25 August 2014.

The Supporters will be in place from 1st September '14, for 2 years.

We know Lincolnshire, Leicester City, Leicestershire, Northamptonshire and Rutland will have Core Assets providing this service. Core Assets are already known to us through fostering and adoption.

CDC have stated

*Once VCS&P organisations are under contract, each will be required to work closely with the local authority, Parent Partnership Service, Parent Carer Forums and other supportive local delivery partners to agree a local referral protocol and draft a local 'memorandum of understanding'. This partnership working from the start of the programme will be vital in order to ensure parents, young people and services themselves have a clear understanding of the local referral process and pathway to an Independent Supporter.*

### **Local Authority Local Offer**

This is getting populated more and more each day with the support of families and practitioners – Thank you

Please view our developing pages via [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/sendlocaloffer](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/sendlocaloffer) [Family Services Directory](#)

Your help is needed to improve the Family Services Directory your help is needed to tell us about the services and activities you and your families access that are welcoming and supportive to children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities. Maybe it's a little support group you have found or a particularly friendly service like a parent and toddler group or craft session. It could also be something like an autism friendly hairdressers or any other kind of service you think families would like to know about. They don't have to be focused on SEND, we want to know anything and everything you know about that could help other families.

Please send any information you have to [children\\_information@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:children_information@lincolnshire.gov.uk). We will get in touch with them and ask for more information and hopefully add their details to the Family Services Directory at [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/fsd](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/fsd).

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

A reminder that FAQ.S and points raised at all events have been further updated and are available on the support and aspiration pages. Please continue to send questions you may have to the Project team - [SEND\\_Reforms@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:SEND_Reforms@lincolnshire.gov.uk) or call 01522 55092 [Support and Aspiration web pages](#)