

**We want to make Torbay PCF available for every parent/ carer with a child who has a disability or additional need.**

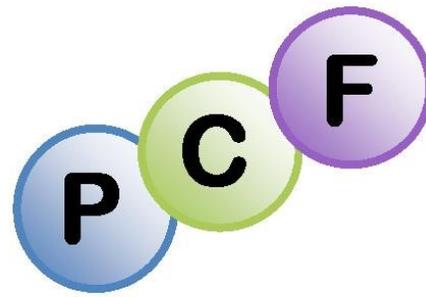
**The PCF is free to join.**

**As a member you will receive bulletins/invites to events & various other information that may be of interest to you via email.**

**These may be about:**

- **changes in policies and legislation affecting Education, Health or Social Care;**
- **inviting you to have a say in a service that your child receives locally; or**
- **giving you information about recreational and leisure opportunities for your child.**

**If you join the PCF we can let you know what is going on!**



**The benefits of being a member:**

- **Join us and get your voice heard!**
- **Get to know what is going on locally through our e-newsletters**
- **Receive personal invite to our events**

**CONTACT US:**

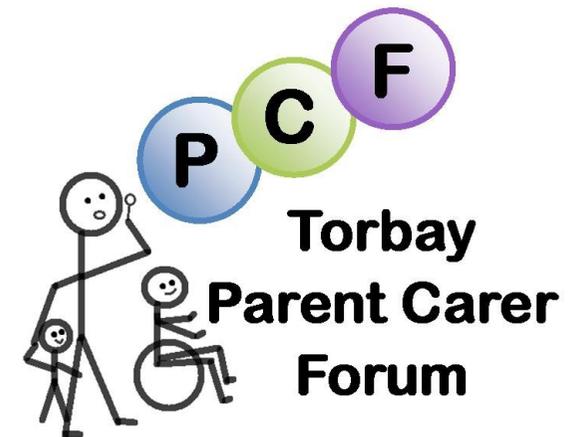
**Torbay Parent Carer Forum**

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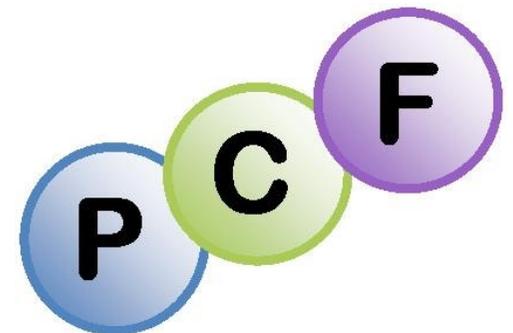
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**Working together to improve the lives of children & young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) in Torbay**

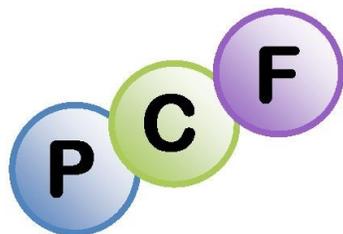


## WHO ARE WE?

The Torbay Parent Carer Forum (PCF) is run by a group of volunteer parent/carers'. We were first established in February 2009 in order to support parent/carers to have a voice in how services for disabled children were shaped and delivered locally.

With over 400 PCF members we have certainly achieved a "voice" within the Local Authority and Health and our opinion is regularly sought on the provision of essential services.

We provide PCF Representatives to sit on a wide range of Steering Groups and working parties and we also regularly consult with PCF Members at our events.



## OUR AIMS

To ensure children and young people with Special Educational Needs and /or Disabilities (SEND) have access to good quality and appropriate services and facilities in Torbay.



## WHAT WE DO

The Steering Group Members look at what is happening nationally and locally and work hard together to try and ensure that any changes will result in positive outcomes for our children.

If you would like to get a bit more involved, you will be able to respond to one of our requests for helpers to come along and be part of a meeting about a particular topic, which may be of interest to you personally.

You will always be made to feel welcome and your contribution, no matter how small, will always be valued and appreciated. We will always cover travel expenses and (if required) any childcare expenses you may have.

For those of you with a bit more free time on your hands and a desire to get involved on a more regular basis, you may like to think about:

- joining our Steering Group; or
- becoming a PCF Rep at meetings.

We are always on the lookout for enthusiastic new members to help us make a difference.