## Talk to the professionals

Following the success of previous events Family Voice Norfolk has put together a new, more local opportunity for the parents and carers of children with additional needs and/or disabilities to be heard directly! Come along for face to face, one to one discussions with people working to improve the services for our children.

This is your chance to have meaningful discussions focussed on the issues that matter to you, to your children, to your family. We have brought together a range of leading professionals from Children's Services, Education and Health for you to talk to.

Talk to as many professional as you wish, for 15 minutes each and move from one to another, a bit like speed dating!

When?

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2011

Please arrive from 9.30am for a 10.00am start

**Event finishes at 12.45pm** 



All you have to do is decide who you would like to talk to from the list below. Tick against as many as you wish. Then, complete your contact details and either post the form to:

Family Voice Norfolk, c/o 5 Arlington Close, Attleborough, Norfolk, NR17 2NF

or email to admin@familyvoice.org.uk.

If you cannot email the form, simply email a list of your choices to the email address above, together with your name and telephone number.

Where?

St. Augustine's Healthy Living Centre

Columbia Way, King's Lynn, PE30 2LB

Professional's Names and Details	Tick
Kim Barber – Disability Coordinator, Norfolk Children's Services. Kim will be there to hear from you if think that your child may be receiving less favourable treatment at school, or you are concerned about how he/she is being included in any school activity. Under the Equality Act 2010 disabled children are entitled to an equality of opportunity with their non-disabled peers, and schools have a duty to make reasonable adjustments for them.	
Michael Bateman – Additional Needs Strategy & Commissioning Manager, Norfolk Children's Services.  Michael leads on strategy and commissioning for all 'additional needs' elements within Children's Services, including Special Educational Needs, Children with Disabilities, Child & Adolescent Mental Health and Educational Psychology.	
Judith Carter – Senior Adviser Complex Needs/Vulnerable Children. Judith works within the 'education achievement and improvement team' and, with others, champions vulnerable children and their families within all schools and educational settings. She hosts the 'Essential SENCO Network', communicating national and local initiatives regarding SEND (Special Educational Need and Disability). She is also a registered Educational Psychologist so can attempt to answer questions relating to how we can overcome specific barriers to learning faced by some learners.	

Professional's Names and Details	Tick
<b>Sharon Fradley.</b> Sharon is leading improvements around Transition - the big move from Children's Services to adult care	
Elaine Mash – Commissioning Manager, Children and Maternity. NHS Great Yarmouth and Waveney.  Elaine is happy to discuss children's health in Great Yarmouth and Waveney and to field anything that she is able to, and to direct where appropriate.	
<b>Matthew Hall – Short Breaks.</b> Matthew has been a Family Voice Representative for several years. He has done a lot of work to improve Short Break (respite) provision in Norfolk. To improve it further he needs to hear your views on Short Breaks provision so that he can feed your views back to the commissioners and providers.	
Heather Smith – Specialist Speech & Language Therapist, Norfolk Community Health and Care NHS  Trust. If you have concerns regarding provision for your child's speech and language difficulties, come and have a discussion with Heather.	
<b>Stephen Higgins – Educational Psychology.</b> Stephen is involved with the provision of applied psychology to schools, pre-school settings and liaison with other agencies as appropriate.	
Stuart Marpole – Children with Disabilities, County Service Manager, Norfolk Children's Services.  Stuart leads the management of social care services for disabled children and their families in Norfolk, including fieldwork, residential, family placement and contracted provision.	
Hilary Barrett/Amanda Gubbins — Children with Disabilities, Occupational Therapists.	
Vaughan Woodbridge – Nurse with East Anglian Children's Hospices (EACH) and Quidenham Hospice and in the community of North West Norfolk. Vaughan will have available copies of Quidenham's new leaflets explaining all the services that EACH offers: music play, short breaks in a family home or hospice family support. He will be able to explain how to refer, the referral process and what EACH's criteria is.	
Name/s	
Telephone No.	
Email	
Are you a member of Family Voice Yes No	
If no, would you like us to contact you about membership?  Yes No	