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NORFOLK AUTISTIC SOCIETY

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Invite you to 'make school make sense in Norfolk' for children with an Autistic Spectrum Disorder including Asperger syndrome.

Date: Monday 10th July 2006 Time: 16:30 for 17:00 start; until 19:00 Venue: Cranworth Room, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich Speakers will include representatives from Norfolk Children's Services, Karen Wooddissee and Anne Ebbage.

RSVP by

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Background:

On 24th May 2006 Karen Wooddissee (Vice Chair Norfolk Autistic Society & National Autistic Society Council Member) and Anne Ebbage (Senior Education Advisor Asperger East Anglia) attended the Parliamentary launch at Westminster of the National Autistic Society's Campaign 'make school make sense' for children with an Autistic Spectrum Disorder. See www.autism.org.uk/campaign for more details.

Norfolk Children's Services have recently undertaken a review of the provision provided in Norfolk for children with a special educational need and a specific working group looked at and set out proposals for the future of education provision for children with an ASD. This is currently under consultation and can be found on www.norfolk.gov.uk

We have decided to launch a local campaign – 'make school make sense in Norfolk' for children with an ASD including Asperger syndrome and invite you to attend the launch. Your support is needed for the much needed provision and resources needed for these children, their parents, school staff and educational establishments to promote inclusion and meet the requirements of the accessibility and disability act. Please join us to find out more about:

- what is currently available in Norfolk;
- what is proposed;
- how you can make your views known to the Local Authority;
- how to 'make school make sense in Norfolk' a reality for children with an ASD including Asperger syndrome;
- what the next steps are and how the voluntary sector & Norfolk Children's Services will work together.