



Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN) in Buckinghamshire

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Overview

We would like to hear about what speech, language and communication services or groups you access, signpost or refer children and young people in Buckinghamshire to.

What do we mean by 'speech, language and communication needs' (SLCN)?

The term 'speech, language and communication needs' (SLCN) incorporates a wide range of difficulties related to aspects of communication in children and young people.

These can include difficulties with fluency, forming sounds and words, formulating sentences, understanding what others say, or using language socially.

We are interested to hear about all levels of services and groups locally in Buckinghamshire which support children and young people with speech, language and communication needs.

This includes universal, targeted and specialist support:

- **Universal support** aims to prevent future problems with the intention of early identification of children with suspected SLCN to enable early support to be implemented; this could include light support or support groups for parents.
- **Targeted support** is additional support typically provided by trained practitioners or parents. Targeted support constitutes support for children identified as having language levels below age expectations, or an identified issue or problem requiring additional support.

- **Specialist support** usually requires specialist intervention or support from a speech and language therapist. This provision is developed for families with children where there are complex, ongoing and specific speech, language and communication needs.

We want to hear from you

We'd love to hear from those accessing support for their own child(ren) or child(ren) they care for as well as professionals supporting children, young people, and their families across Buckinghamshire.

Your feedback will help us to ensure that information about the services / groups available across Buckinghamshire is easily accessible to all and help increase awareness of what is available.

The survey should take approximately 5 to 10 minutes to complete.

Please consider all of the groups that you are aware of from people, services, or organisations when responding to the survey. This may include libraries, church groups, parent and baby groups, schools or private providers (this list is not exhaustive).

Your feedback is valued and needed.

How to have your say

You can tell us your views in one of the following ways:

- Complete the online survey at <https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com>
- Complete, and return, printed version of the survey below

If you have any questions about this activity, please email us at: preventioncommissioning@buckinghamshire.gov.uk.

Please tell us your views by midnight on Monday 23 May 2022.

What happens next

We will review the feedback received from this survey

Your feedback will be used to help us better understand and map available speech, language, and communication services / groups in Buckinghamshire and shape how this information is communicated.

Privacy

We will use the information you provide here only for this activity. We will store the information securely in line with data protection laws and will not share or publish any personal details. For more information about data and privacy, please see our [Privacy Policy](#).

If you have questions about data and privacy, please email us on dataprotection@buckinghamshire.gov.uk. Or write to our Data Protection Officer at Buckinghamshire Council, The Gateway, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury, HP19 8FF.

Printed survey

1. In what capacity are you responding to this survey?

Please tick (✓) one option

- A parent / carer of a child or young person accessing speech, language, and communication services or groups (go to question 3)
- A professional signposting and / or referring to speech, language, and communication services or groups (go to question 2)
- On behalf of a speech, language, and communication service or group (go to question 16)
- Other, please give details below (then go to question 11):

2. Please tell us your job title / role or the professional capacity in which you are responding to this survey:

Go to question 11

Parent / carer

We understand that you may access more than one speech, language and communication service or group in Buckinghamshire.

Please complete the questions on this page for one speech, language and communication service or group that you access.

To tell us about other services or groups that you access, please print an extra copy of questions 3 to 8 for each service or group.

3. Please tell us the following details about a speech, language and communication service / group you access in Buckinghamshire:

Name of the service / group:

Speech, language and communication support provided:

4. Where do you access the support?

Please tell us the location of the service / group in Buckinghamshire (village / town) or whether the support is delivered online.

5. Please tell us the days and times the service / group runs:

6. Who is this service / group aimed at?

This can include ages or any specific criteria.

7. Is there a charge for accessing this service / group?

Please tick (✓) one option

Yes

No

If 'Yes', please give details below:

8. How did you find out about this service / group?

9. Have you experienced any barriers / challenges when accessing a speech, language, and communication service / group for your child(ren)?

Please tick (✓) one option

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

If 'Yes', please tell us about the barriers / challenges you've experienced:

10. What is your postcode?

We want to understand the views of people living in different areas. You don't have to provide your postcode, but it helps us plan and make considered decisions.

Go to question 22

Speech, language, and communication services / groups in Buckinghamshire

We understand that you may be aware of several speech, language and communication services or groups in Buckinghamshire.

Please complete the questions on this page for one speech, language and communication service or group that you are aware of.

To tell us about other services or groups that you are aware of, please print an extra copy of questions 11 to 15 for each service or group.

11. Please tell us the following details about a speech, language and communication service / group that you are aware of in Buckinghamshire:

Name of the service / group:

Speech, language and communication support provided:

12. Where is this service / group available?

Please tell us the location of the service / group in Buckinghamshire (village / town) or whether the support is delivered online.

13. Please tell us the days and times the service / group runs:

14. Who is this service / group aimed at?

This can include ages or any specific criteria.

15.a charge for accessing this service / group?

Please tick (✓) one option

Yes

No

If 'Yes', please give details below:

Go to question 22

Speech, language, and communication service or group

16. Which speech, language and communication support service or group are you responding on behalf of?

Name of provider / organisation:

Your job title / role:

Registered postcode:

17. What speech, language and communication support do you provide for children, young people and their families in Buckinghamshire?

18. Where is this provision available?

Please tell us the location(s) in Buckinghamshire (village / town) or whether the support is delivered online.

19. When is the provision delivered?

Please tell us the times and days the provision is delivered.

20. Who is this provision aimed at?

This can include ages or any specific criteria.

21. Is there a charge for accessing this provision?

Please tick (✓) one option

Yes

No

If 'Yes', please give details below:

Other comments

22.If you think there are any speech, language and communication support, services or groups that are not currently available in Buckinghamshire, please tell them here:

23.If you have any other comments about speech, language and communication services or groups in Buckinghamshire, please tell us them here:

24. How did you find out about this survey?

Please tick (✓) all that apply

- Buckinghamshire Family Information Service
- Families and Carers Together (FACT) Buckinghamshire
- Schools Bulletin
- Schools Web
- GP
- Family Centre
- Library
- Local media (newspaper, radio or TV)
- Social media (Facebook, Twitter)
- LinkedIn
- Nextdoor
- Buckinghamshire Council website or Your Voice Bucks website
- Buckinghamshire Council newsletter
- From Buckinghamshire Council staff
- Through working at Buckinghamshire Council
- Local Community Board
- Local Councillor
- Local Parish / Town Council
- Other (please give details below):

End of the survey

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

Please return your completed survey by midnight on **Monday 23 May 2022.**

You can:

- Email it to preventioncommissioning@buckinghamshire.gov.uk
- Post it to Buckinghamshire Council, All-Age Prevention in the Community Team, Integrated Commissioning, 5th Floor, Walton Street Offices, Aylesbury, HP20 1UA