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The following websites may also be useful to you for further information:

<http://www.sendiasleicester.org.uk/about-independent-support-leicester-leicestershire-and-rutland> that offers free, confidential and impartial information, advice and support to parents and carers of young people aged 0-25 with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND) Contact IS Leicestershire: 0116 305 5614

[www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/special-educational-needs-and-disability/complaints-and-appeals/independent-advice-for-special-educational-needs-and-disability-send](http://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/special-educational-needs-and-disability/complaints-and-appeals/independent-advice-for-special-educational-needs-and-disability-send)

Independent advice for special educational needs and disability (SEND)

You can get advice, information and someone to speak for you if you're having difficulties with getting your child the help and care that they need. The organisations that offer advice and someone to speak for you are independent of Leicestershire County Council, schools and the health service.

[www.sendgateway.org.uk](http://www.sendgateway.org.uk) – for information on SEN and new legislation changes

[www.kids.org.uk](http://www.kids.org.uk) – support for families of children with SEN, including financial advice

[www.councilfordisabledchildren.org.uk](http://www.councilfordisabledchildren.org.uk) – advice on supporting children and families with a variety of needs.

[www.preparingforadulthood.org.uk](http://www.preparingforadulthood.org.uk) – advice on moving into further education, employment and social support.

[www.ipsea.org.uk](http://www.ipsea.org.uk) – independent advice for parents and families of children with SEN, including advocates who can support you during multi agency meetings or legal processes.

If a number of agencies are needed to support your family, you may be asked to complete an Early Help Assessment form, possibly leading to setting up a Team around the Child (TAC)

**Where can the LA's local offer be found?  
How have we contributed to it?**

Leicestershire Local Authority's local offer can be found on their website:

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/special-educational-needs-and-disability/about-the-local-offer>