

# Leeds Local Offer Live Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023 10am till 2pm at Pudsey Civic Hall

Leeds Local Offer Live is a marketplace event that provides families and professionals with the opportunity to learn about services available to them in Leeds.

## **Services**

54 services booked a stall at the event, with 50 attending on the day.

Leeds Local Offer Leeds Parent Carer Forum MindMate Support Team Learning Disability Team (LCHT) **ICAN** Children's Speech & Language WY ICB in Leeds Safeguarding Team Learning Disability Health Facilitation Team Transitions Team – Adult Social Care No Limits Ltd Leeds Portage Service **Purple Patch Arts** Leeds City College Leeds City College - Foundation Studies Leeds City College - 14+ Apprenticeship Academy Independent Travel Training **Forward Leeds** Early Start Service - Little Owls Leeds City Council –supporting PA's Irwin Mitchell Leeds Survivor-Led Crisis Service **Scope Family Services** Leeds Mencap Little Hiccups SENDIASS

**Refresh Carers** Shine **SNAPS** Sunshine and Smiles West Yorkshire ADHD Support Group **Carers Leeds** Sense **Scope Career Pathways** Through the Maze & Being Employed Leeds **Royal Mencap** People Matters (West Yorkshire) CIO **Lighthouse Futures Trust Opportunity College - Vocational Courses for 16+** Go Higher West Yorkshire Fun Activities and Short Breaks Accessible Inclusive Music (AIM) **Aireborough Supported Activities Scheme** Dark Horse Theatre Endorphins Leeds Museums and Galleries Leeds Weekend Care Association Northern Ballet Learning The Beamsley Project Charitable Trust Rainbow House West Leeds Activity Centre

## Feedback from stall holders

The majority of stall holders commented on the need for more space between stalls, and the need for refreshments.

"Great opportunity to promote our service to families" "It was a fantastic event" "Great event to raise awareness of services"

# **Promoting the event**

Leeds Local Offer Live was promoted to families via schools, colleges, SEND services and on social media.

Prior to the event all registered attendees received a visitors guide, visual event walkthrough, information about travelling to the venue and a free parking permit. All the information was made available on the Leeds Local Offer website.

Website hits:

- Event promotional information 95 unique views
- visitors guide 64 unique views
- visual walk through 38 unique views
- information for attendees 34 unique views

## **Workshops**

The 'supporting SEND in Leeds at every stage' workshop was delivered twice during the event. 90 attendees had booked to attend the workshops, and on the day 39 attended.

The workshop was well received, with attendees asking for a range of workshops at the next event.

#### Feedback from attendees

"It was really useful to find out about SEND support in Leeds"

"A fantastic opportunity to ask questions"

## **Attendees**

Leeds Local Offer Live was aimed at parents, carers and professionals. Attendees were asked to register their attendance prior to the event, and received detailed confirmation about the event including visitors guide, virtual walk through, parking permit and venue details.

236 people registered their attendance at the event, with 168 attending on the day.

Those who completed feedback forms all rated the event as very good or good.

#### Feedback from attendees

"Amazing event, with lots of really helpful support" "Same again next year, with more workshop choices"

#### Services attendees would like to see at the next event

- SENIT
- CHAD
- More out of school activities

- Independent / supported living
- Autism support services
  - Adaptive toy services

# **Outcomes following the event**

In the months following the event services fedback direct outcomes from attending the event:

- Increased number of young people attending sessions
- It was a superb event and a number of enquiries resulted from it as well as my firms understanding of other offerings/services available to help us sign post.
- We have been getting steadily increasing referrals for all services, it was a really useful event for us to promote our services to parents and other services in the system. It was particularly useful to manage expectations around what we do/do not provide.

## Next Steps....

The Leeds Local Offer website can be found at <u>www.leedslocaloffer.org.uk</u>

Families and professionals can join the Leeds Local Offer facebook group @Leeds Local Offer, this is a private group where update on events and services are shared

The Leeds Local Offer Live event will run again in 2024, with the following learning from the 2023 event:

- More space between stalls
- Run a range of workshops for families i.e. education, health and social care
- Targeted services attending based on feedback from the 2023 event

If you would like more information about Leeds Local Offer Live email LLO@leeds.gov.uk