

- A speech and language centre at Quarry Bank Primary School, which provides placements for children aged between four and seven, with severe speech and language disorders.
- A speech and language base service at St Margaret's at Hasbury Church of England Primary School.
- Short breaks for children and young people between birth and eighteen, with a diagnosed disability, or autism.

For adults:

- Social care services for adults aged eighteen and over, with a diagnosed disability, or autism.
- Specialist support from The Unicorn Centre, Brierley Hill, for adults aged over eighteen, with profound and multiple learning disabilities and complex health needs.

The aim is to ensure that every person with a special educational need, disability or autism is provided with all of the information, advice and practical support that is available, all in one place. This will help people to live as full and independent a life as possible.

Is there a cost involved?

There is an assessment for each person who uses the Dudley Disability Service. This works out if there will be a cost for the support provided. Many services are however provided free of charge.

How do I contact the service?

You can contact Dudley Disability Service by calling

0300 555 0050 - for children

0300 555 0055 - for adults

or emailing **dds@dudley.gov.uk**

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Dudley Disability Service

Supporting children, young people and adults with special educational needs, learning or physical disabilities, or autism to live independent and fulfilling lives



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Dudley Disability Service offers a wide range of support to people of all ages with special educational needs, learning or physical disabilities, or autism.

This booklet outlines the support available from Dudley Disability Service to help people of all ages with a range of disabilities to live independent and fulfilling lives.

What is Dudley Disability Service?

The service is an all age disability service, providing joined up support to people, from birth to old age.

The aim of the service is to support children, young people and adults with special educational needs, learning or physical disabilities, or autism living in Dudley Borough, to achieve a full and happy life. A life in which they are independent, gain skills and knowledge and have a confident and sociable life.

A range of care and support services, as well as information and advice is on offer to enable people with special educational needs, autism and, or disabilities to live as independent and full lives as possible. The service works in partnership with each person it supports to ensure that it meets their needs, desires and aspirations. We want people to be supported in the way they want so they can achieve their own goals and the lifestyle they choose.

Who can use the service?

People of all ages who have a special educational need, learning or physical disability, or autism can ask for support from the service. Family members, carers and professionals can also ask for advice and support.

What kind of help and support is on offer?

The Dudley Disability Service offers a range of support and advice for people with special educational needs, learning or physical disabilities, or autism, their families and carers.

The following services and resources are provided:

For children:

- Social care services for children and young people, aged from birth to eighteen, with a diagnosed disability, or autism.
- Education, health and care plan needs assessments for children and young people from birth to twenty five, with special educational needs and, or disabilities.
- A specialist early years service for children from birth to four, with developmental delay.
- A physical impairment/medical inclusion service for children and young people, from birth to nineteen, whose physical or medical needs are affecting their ability to attend school.
- A visual impairment service for children and young people, from birth to nineteen who have a diagnosed visual condition.
- A hearing impairment service for children and young people, from birth to nineteen who have a diagnosed hearing loss.
- Hearing impairment service resource bases for children aged between four and sixteen, with a diagnosed hearing loss, at Ashwood Park Primary Resource Base for the Deaf and Crestwood Park Secondary Listen and Learn Centre for Children.
- An autism outreach service for children and young people aged between four and sixteen, with a diagnosis of autistic spectrum disorder.