

children with disabilities team

social work ... putting people first



Falkirk Council

who are we?

We are a multi-disciplinary team comprising the following people:-

Social Workers

The Social Workers work with families to identify what, if any, additional supports are required. These supports can be either practical or emotional. The Social Workers also recruit, assess and supervise the Short Breaks Carers who provide respite for children with disabilities.

Occupational Therapists

The Occupational Therapists assess young people to ensure that they achieve their maximum independence at home and in other environments. This can be through practical advice, equipment and adaptations.

Access Officer for Schools

The Access Officer assesses children and young people in their school environment to ensure that the school and the curriculum is accessible for them.

Activity Scheme Co-ordinator

The Activity Scheme Co-ordinator organises the Activity Scheme, Youth Clubs and Befriending Service to provide young people with leisure and recreational opportunities.

what do we do?

We provide support to children and young people who have significant and substantial disabilities which may include physical, sensory and learning disabilities.

Children and families are entitled to an assessment under the Children (Scotland) Act 1995.

Once we have carried out an initial assessment of your needs we may:-

- develop and co-ordinate multi-agency plans for children with complex needs.
- provide information and advice to help children and their parents/carers to manage or reduce the impact of disability.
- provide specialist equipment and adaptations at home and school.
- provide advice on moving and handling.
- provide home care services.
- offer access to our Activity Scheme during the school holidays.
- provide access to youth clubs and befriending throughout the year.

- provide short breaks either with family based carers or registered residential resources.
- support families who choose to access “Self Directed Support”, which is a way of families managing their own care arrangements.

what are our aims?

- **C**o-ordinated services for children affected by disabilities.
- **W**orking in partnership with families to enable them to enjoy the same opportunities as others.
- **D**eveloping our practice to continuously improve services.
- **T**ailoring services to individual needs.

contact us

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helpful contacts

Active Schools

T: 01324-501656

W: www.falkirk.gov.uk (then follow the link to Active Schools)

Contact a Family

T: 0808-808-3555

W: www.cafamily.org.uk

Children's Rights Officer

T: 01324-692029

W: www.falkirkchildrensrights.org.uk

Disability Information Service

T: 01324 504304

W: www.falkirkonline.net (then follow the links to Disability Information)

Enquire

T: 0845-123-2303

W: www.enquire.org.uk

Falkirk Council Sports Development

T: 01324-590900

W: www.falkirk.gov.uk (then follow the links to Sports Development)

The Family Fund

T: 0845-130-4542

W: www.familyfund.org.uk

The Princess Royal Trust for carers

T: 01324-611510

W: www.carers.org/local/Scotland/falkirk

Sports Council

W: www.sportfalkirk.com

Welfare Benefits Helpline

T: 01324-501404

W: www.falkirk.gov.uk (then follow the link to Welfare Benefits Advice Service)

If you would like this information in another language, Braille, LARGE PRINT or audio, please contact your local Social Work office.

Polish

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Lithuanian

Jeigu jūs norėtumėte gauti šią informaciją kita kalba, Brailio šriftu, stambiu šriftu ar įgarsintą, prašome susisiekti su jūsų vietiniu socialines rūpybos ofisu.

Arabic

إذا كنت بحاجة الى هذه المعلومات بلغة اخرى, بريل, حروف كبيرة او مسجلة صوتيا نرجوا منك الاتصال بمكتب الخدمات الاجتماعية المحلي.

Urdu

اگر آپ یہ معلومات دوسری زبان، بریل، بڑے حروف کی چھپائی یا آڈیو میں چاہتے ہیں تو براہ مہربانی اپنے لوکل سوشل ورک آفس سے رابطہ کریں۔

Chinese

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Punjabi

ਜੇਕਰ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਇਹ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਕਿਸੇ ਹੋਰ ਜ਼ਬਾਨ, ਬਰੇਲ, ਵੱਡੀ ਛਪਾਈ ਜਾਂ ਆਡੀਓ ਤੇ ਲੈਣਾ ਚਾਹੁੰਦੇ ਹੋ ਤਾਂ ਕ੍ਰਿਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਆਪਣੇ ਸਥਾਨਕ ਸੋਸ਼ਲ ਵਰਕ ਆਫਿਸ ਨਾਲ ਸੰਪਰਕ ਕਰੋ