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YOUR VIEW ON OUR LOCAL OFFER

Families, parents, carers, children and young people came along to the Civic Offices earlier this month (12 September) to help shape the borough's Local Offer website.

The Local Offer provides information about the services available to children, young people and their families across education, health and social care. The Local Offer is published as part of the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) reforms under the Children and Families Act 2014. The aim is to provide a 'one stop shop' for parents and carers.

With the help of Mayor of Bexley, Cllr Sybil Camsey, Council officers asked families and young people what was good and what they would like to see added to the Bexley Local Offer website.

Cabinet Member for Adult Services, Cllr Eileen Pallen also attended the event. She said; "I'm really pleased that so many families turned up for this event. In Bexley we developed our Local Offer with parents, carers, and children and young people with SEN and disabilities to make sure it meets the needs of the people who access the services. Feedback from the day was very encouraging but there is so much information constantly becoming available and changing that we need families to help us by telling us when something is wrong or out of date."

Along with a chance to comment on the website, the event was an opportunity for families to speak to other community groups and services such as the Bexley Beavers, Bexley Snap, Bexley Voice, Danson, Diversions Scuba Diving, Howbury Friends and Slade Green Big, Young Epilepsy, Early and MCCH.

To find out more about the Bexley Local Offer and services for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities in the borough visit www.bexleylocaloffer.uk

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