



Short Breaks in Northamptonshire

Consultation now open!

What?

Short breaks are part of a range of services that support children in need and their families. They are provided for children and young people who are disabled and/or who have Special Educational Needs, including Autism, ADHD and Mental Health issues.

They include day, evening, overnight and weekend activities for the child or young person, and can take place in the child's own home, the home of an approved carer, or in a residential or community setting.

Why?

The Local Authority has a duty to provide short breaks to children where an assessment shows that they are necessary to meet their needs, taking account of the family context.

Most of our contracts expire at some point over the next 12 months so we need to look at what families want to see so that new contracts can be set up that meet their needs going forwards.

How?

This consultation will run for 6 weeks, from 9.00am on Thursday 26th October to 5.00pm on Wednesday 6th December 2017.

There will be a number of opportunities for children, young people, parents and carers to take part including online surveys and attendance at district open meetings.

For further information on the consultation and how to have your say, click [here](#) or go to Northamptonshire County Council Consultation Register page <http://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/council-and-democracy/have-your-say/Pages/current-consultations.aspx>

If you prefer to complete in hard copy, the survey can be downloaded and printed from the site completed and posted to:-

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