



# Parental Advocacy Stoke-on-Trent

If your child is 'Looked After' by social care and you struggle understanding the process, information or in meetings you may be able to access Parental Advocacy. Referrals are made by a Social Worker.

**Advocates can:**

- ensure your views are heard and your rights are upheld
- support you to understand social care and legal documents
- share information about your options and support you to make decisions
- help you take part in meetings about your child
- support you to challenge decisions.

**Eligibility criteria**

- the parent has a child/children open to the Local Authority's Children's Social Care Team
- the child is in 'Child in Need', 'Child Protection' or 'Care Proceedings' stages
- the parent must have a diagnosed learning disability, Autism and/or complex needs which causes them substantial difficulties
- and there is no one appropriate or available to support the parent in the process.

# ASIST ADVOCACY

## Advocacy Services in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent

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