

North Tyneside SEND Youth Forum Meeting Minutes

January 2021



Members who attended

Connor

Daniel

Katelyn

Katie

Nathan



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Advocacy Team

Staff who attended

Elizabeth Parker SEND Participation Officer



This meeting took place virtually on Microsoft Teams

Agenda - at this meeting we talked about



- Our lives right now in lockdown
- What we think might make this time better for us
- Next meeting: visit from Anne Foreman from the Clinical Commissioning Group CCG

Our lives right now



How we are feeling?

Stressed and worried because I can't concentrate enough to get on with school work



Bored, just want to be doing something and I can't understand the schoolwork or do it by myself



Frustrated, relying on parents to organise calls between friends, not knowing how to contact school friends



Lonely, missing school and school friends, haven't spoke to them

Stressed and trapped I can't contact the friends I want to talk too

One young person explained other than being off school things aren't that different for me socially, I usually spend most of my time at home in my room I'm used to this.

What we are missing the most



Talking to people (other than the ones in my house)

Feeling good about doing schoolwork (its difficult doing it at home and makes me feel stressed)



Chatting and laughing with school friends

Having conversations with people the same age



Not having social time like break time at school to just chat

Unsupervised time with friends (there's always parents listening)

Visiting favourite places

What we think might make this time better for us



Some members are having weekly virtual meetings with school and they really enjoy this. Those whose schools aren't offering this now thought this sounded great and would like this opportunity.

Having virtual time to chat to friends virtually (like a break time)

Having virtual time with school staff and friends to talk about schoolwork and how and what we might need to help us

Virtual social activities with teachers and school friends



Knowing how to get in contact with our school friends virtually

Who we want to share this information with

- Education



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Elizabeth Parker will share our feelings and ideas with education leads

Next meeting: Visit from Anne Foreman from the Clinical Commissioning Group CCG



Anne Foreman who works for the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) will come to the group next week.



Anne would like to hear about children and young people's experiences of healthcare services during the Covid restrictions.



The group can share experiences and offer ideas on how to gather the views of others living in North Tyneside.

Ideas to be shared with Anne Foreman next week

Have a few ways available

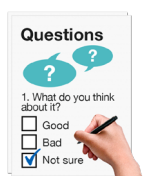
Offer opportunity to send a video or talk



Involve school staff and parents who know the children and can ask them in ways they understand



Graffiti wall (write comments to questions)
pictures about their experiences with sentences



Have a questionnaire

Next SEND Youth Forum meeting Feb 3rd 2021