

16th November 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am one of the parent representatives on the board of Trustees for Downright Special and I would like to set up a Parents Forum so that as an organisation we can ensure we are consulting people involved in the service and I represent our collective views at meetings as opposed to just my own.

Would you like to be a forum member? What may it involve?

I predict we will meet once a quarter and will be guided by you as to whether this is during the day, evening or weekend. I think we should set aside 2 hours for a meeting and agenda items may include:

- feedback to trustees
- feedback from trustees
- any issues affecting children and young people with DS in Hull and East Yorkshire that we as an organisation need to be aware of
- fundraising opportunities
- volunteering opportunities
- social media posts and information
- feedback on sessions and activities
- praises and grumbles

Ideally it would be just us adults at the forum but we can discuss this further if this excludes people without childcare support. It would be good to have parents/carers of children and young people across all ages. If you are interested please can you leave your details with Louise at Downright Special, including your email and phone number and I will contact you when I have several people interested. Louise can be contacted on office@downrightspecial.co.uk or by phone on 01482 420160.

Yours sincerely

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Parent Trustee