

## **SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES – LOCAL OFFER**

### **What is the Local Offer?**

The Children and Families Bill will become enacted in 2014. From this date, Local Authorities and schools are required to publish and keep under review information about services they expect to be available for the children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) aged 0-25. This is the 'Local Offer'.

It's where you will find information and services in one place. There are details of services that are available within the local area and how to access them as well as services that are not in our area but that you may also be able to access.

The four broad 'areas of need' are:

- Communication and Interaction
- Cognition and Learning
- Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties
- Sensory and Physical Needs.

**[The Cheshire West and Chester Local Offer can be accessed here](#)**