A Local Offer gives children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities and their families information about what support services the local authority think will be available in their local area. Every local authority is responsible for writing a Local Offer and making sure it is available for everyone to see.

Who decides what is in the Local Offer?

The new law says that every local authority must talk with children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities and their families to find out what sort of support and services they need.

There will be many different types of services that children and young people may need, including support services in school and specialist health services.

Children, young people and their families may also have ideas about what leisure activities should be available, and what services are needed to help young people move towards independence in adulthood.
You can find out more about the changes to your special educational needs or disability support and the Local Offer by:

- talking to an impartial information, advice and support service. You can find contact information for one of these here: www.parentpartnership.org.uk/find-your-pps/
- talking to your family, teachers, tutors and support workers
- getting in touch with your local authority. You can find their contact information on the GOV.UK website: https://www.gov.uk/find-your-local-council

To help you understand the changes to the law we have created a video, leaflet and poster each for four main areas of your SEN and disability support. **These four areas are:**

- Education, Health and Care plans
- The Local Offer
- Post-16 support
- Making decisions