

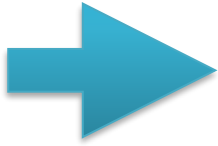
Parent Information Booklet

As Parents and Carers of a child with learning difficulties you might find that you require certain services from time to time. This document will provide you with information and support services for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities for anyone aged between 0 to 25. There are so many support services available to help you.

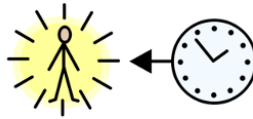
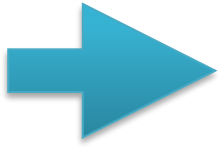
We hope you find this document useful.

The services for the Local Area come under the following Sub Headings. You can find out more at

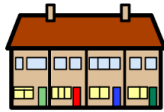
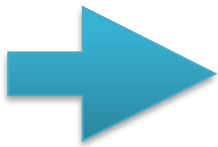
<https://www.mylifeinbolton.org.uk/>



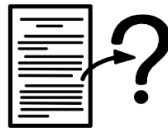
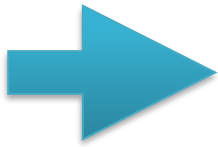
Community Groups



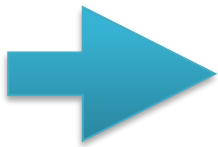
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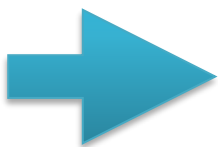
Housing



Money Matters



Sport and Leisure



Travel and Transport



Community Groups

Reach Northwest

Founded and headed by Bolton Autism Mum Linzi Tropea Autism Support UK is a Bolton provider of child centered bespoke parent & child training for children on the autism pathway or diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Condition. Its aim is to help children learn communication, social & play skills in fun-filled sessions at affordable rates while giving parents valuable training & strategies. Children are assessed at the start & learning goals are set.

Essa Academy, Lever Edge Lane, BL3 3HH
01204 333222 help@reachnorthwest.org

Bolton Lads and Girls Club

Bolton Lads & Girls Club is the biggest youth centre in the UK and is based in Bolton town centre. The Club is open 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year and welcomes all young people aged 8-21 years old. As well as the basic 7 nights-a-week youth club

18 Bolton Lads And Girls Club, BL1 4AG
01204540100 info@blgc.co.uk



Community Groups

Contact a Family:

Contact a Family provides information, advice and support to families caring for children and young people with disabilities or additional needs. We have up to date information on local services and sources of support for families with disabled children.

Contact a Family, EC1V 1JN
(08088) 083555 helpline@cafamily.org.uk

Bolton Smiley faces:

Local Mutual Support Group for Children with Down's Syndrome and their Parents/Carers living in Bolton. We meet on the second Sunday of every month from 1pm until 3pm. All newcomers welcome. Our aim is to support children with Down's syndrome, and their families living in the Bolton area.

Leverhulme Childrens Centre Leverhulme Park , BL2
6EB
01204 480480 chair@boltonsmileyfaces.org.uk



Community Groups

Special Needs Under Five Support:

SNUFS is a local voluntary organisation which supports pre school children, aged between 2 and 5 years who have additional support needs. Our volunteers support on a 1-1 basis in mainstream childcare settings across the borough.

Castle Hill Centre, BL2 2JW

01204 338211 niki@specialneedsu5.co.uk or
office@specialneedsu5.co.uk

Lagan's Foundation:

FREE Respite and care services for parents with children under the age of 5, diagnosed with congenital heart defects or feeding difficulties, at home. Fully insured and regulated by the CQC. Training is given by Alder Hey Children's Hospital.

65 Pennine Rd

01204 800300 carren@lagans.org.uk



Community



Groups

Lever Park Academy:

We support young people with an EHCP (previously a statement of special educational need for their social, emotional and behavioral difficulties, SEBD). We work primarily with the pupils of Lever Park Special School, their families and carers where we provide a breakfast club, access to the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme, Bowens relaxation therapy, mentoring, and some specialist equipment. We also design and deliver specific projects to address issues of self esteem, health and wellbeing.

Stocks Park Drive, Horwich, BL6 6DE

01204 332666 darbyshirec@leverpark.bolton.sch.uk



Community Groups

Bolton Information and Advisory Service

Bolton Information and Advice Service was previously known as Bolton Parent Partnership Service. We offer advice on the statementing procedures, reviews and transition plans for children and young people with special educational needs from birth to 25.

Bolton Information and Advisory Service, BL1 4QB
01204 848722 pps@boltoncog.co.uk

IPSEA:

Helplines are operated Monday to Friday (times available on the website). Free independent legal advice is available to parents of children with all kinds of special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). Visit the website for model letters, SEN updates, support sheets and more. Join the mailing list and become part of IPSEA's family and keep up-to-date with news and information relevant to SEND. The advice line is covered by fully trained volunteers providing legally based advice.

(01799) 582030 kupton@ipsea.net



Community Groups

Breaking Barriers:

Breaking Barriers aims to support Disabled children and young people (aged 0-25) and adults with Autism (aged 18+) and their families to challenge and remove barriers to inclusion. BBNW have a strong strategic presence in Bolton and act as parent reps on the Disability housing sub group, the Post 16 transition guide task group, BDSA (Bolton Disability Sports Association), ETAG (Equality Target Action Group), Bolton ASC Forum and the Bolton Together Consortium.

Saint George's House, Saint George's Road, BL1 2DD
(07717) 434840 breakbarriers3@gmail.com



Community Groups

Crossroads4kids

Crossroads4Kids is part of Crossroads Care, which has been providing carer breaks in Greater Manchester for over 30 years. Crossroads4Kids is a children's service that provides tailor made breaks to children of all ages and ranges of health, medical disabilities, conditions and illnesses across Greater Manchester.

Thicketford Centre, BL2 2LW

01204 337537 information@boltoncares.org.uk

01204 331111

Deafserv Ltd:

Provides family sign language courses and electronic note taking for deaf and disabled people. Family Sign Language: Unlike traditional British Sign Language (BSL) courses, which are based around signs for adults, this course is specifically aimed at families of deaf children.

c/o Ear 4 Kidz, BL2 1DD

07739383230 zienna1981@live.co.uk



Community Groups

Bolton Children's Opportunity Group (COG):

Bolton Children's Opportunity Group (COG) is a local registered charity whose initial aim was to provide a stepping stone between home and playgroup or nursery for under 5's with disabilities and/or special educational needs. Over the years COG has become a leader in the field of inclusive provision for the under 5's.

Lowndes Street Nursery, BL1 4QB
(01204) 841654 info@boltoncog.co.uk

Day trippers:

A parent and carer led group offering days out, activities and support to pre-school and school aged children with disabilities/special needs, along with their families and carers.

Daytrippers, Bolton
07742693157 daytrippers.bolton@hotmail.co.uk



Community Groups

Henshaws (society for the blind):

We offer support to people with visual impairments and their families and carers. We aim to reduce isolation by offering a befriending Service, various social groups, trips and a sign posting service.

The Sensory Centre, BL1 4AL

01204 337896 justine.watson@bsbp.org.uk

Kids2gether:

Kidz2gether provides clubs and activities for children and young people, between the ages 0-25yrs and their families, who have (or are going through) a diagnosis of A.S.D. or social/communication disorders. Activities include football, swimming, play clubs and sports

Horwich Resource Centre, BL6 7BG

01204 669821 info@kidz2gether.org.uk



Community Groups

Bolton Deaf Society:

We are a not for profit charity, specifically providing a service to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in the Bolton and Greater Manchester areas. Our services include a monthly audiology clinic which is on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 9.30 to 12 noon.

Bolton Deaf Society, BL1 2AX

01204 521219 admin@boltondeafsociety.co.uk

Zac's Bar

Activities for young people age 5-18 years with special educational needs/disabilities.

Sonja Hordern – Special Needs Coordinator

71 Market Street Farnworth Bolton BL4 7NS

01204 706200

office@zacsyouthbar.co.uk

specialneeds@zacsbar.co.uk



Community Groups

Bolton Carers Support:

If you look after a family member or friend who needs support due to age, illness or disability, Bolton Carers Support can help. We provide a Carers Helpline, a free newsletter, factsheets, benefits advice, information and advice appointments, courses and workshops on a range of topics and also offer short breaks. Please contact us for a free Carers Information Pack. Bolton Carers Support is a registered charity with over 20 years experience of supporting people who are caring for family members.

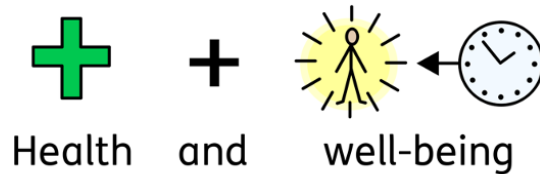
Bolton Carers Thicketford House, BL2 2LW
(01204) 363056 info@boltoncarersupport.org.uk

Bolton Parents Carers

Your local parent/carer forum providing information and a voice for families of children and young people aged 0-25 with special educational needs and disabilities

<https://www.boltonparents.org.uk/>
info@boltonparents.org.uk

07715201798



Learning Disability Service Paediatric:

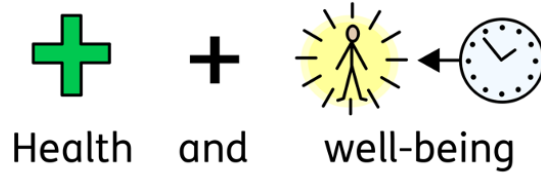
Our team has specialist knowledge, skills and training relating to children with learning disabilities and additional needs. We work in partnership with parents, carers and other agencies to assess health related difficulties.

Pikes Lane Centre, BL3 5HP
01204 463660

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service CAMHS:

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service CAMHS stands for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services. We are a service offering help for children and young people, usually between the ages of five and 18 who live in Bolton.

Royal Bolton Hospital, BL4 0JR
01204 483222



Paediatric Speech and Language Therapy Service:

The Speech and Language Therapy Service will assess, diagnose and develop an individualised program of care to maximize the communication potential of the children and young people referred to them and under their care. The work involves direct contact with children and young people with communication difficulties as well as their carers and other key people in their lives. Therapists also support children and young people with swallowing, eating and drinking difficulties.

Pediatric Speech and Language Therapy Service, BL2 6NT
(01204) 462670 communitytherapyadmin@boltonft.nhs.uk

Waters Meeting

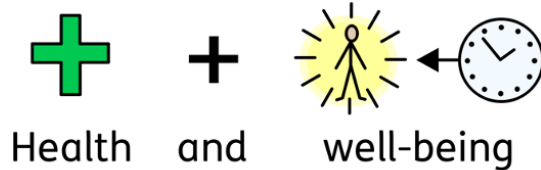
Primary Medical Services

Specialism and services:

- Services for everyone

95 Waters Meeting Road, Bolton, BL1 8TT

01204 463000



Health Visitors:

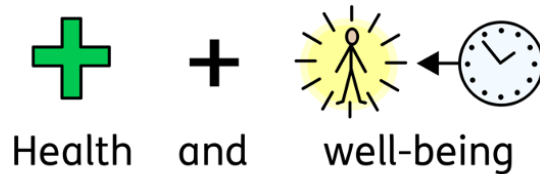
Health Visitors are specially trained nurses and midwives who train for an extra year to become experts in public and community health. Health visitors are key public health professionals, their role is about prevention, helping children and families.

The Pikes Lane Centre, BL3 5HP
01204 463718

Jubilee Sensory Rooms:

Sensory Room purpose built spacious sensory and relaxation room. Features include: 6ft illuminated bubble tube with mirrored surround, multi themed projector, rotating mirror ball, tactile fiber optic strands, pulsating rope light and commissioned space themed UV art work.

Jubilee Swimming Pool, Tennyson Street, BL1 3DX
01204 337808



Nutrition and Dietetic Service Paediatric:

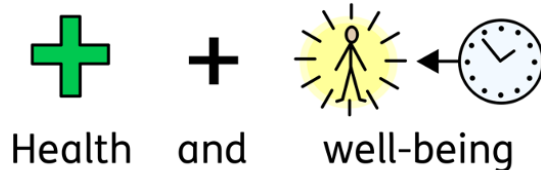
The children's dietetic service is a small friendly team who offer high quality individual and group interventions. We support children and young people who have nutritional problems such as food allergy, nutritional deficiencies and concerns.

Paediatric Nutrition and Dietetic Service, BL2 6NT
01204 462670

Occupational Therapy – Paediatric:

We provide an occupational therapy service to children from birth to 18 years of age. This includes assessment, advice, therapeutic programmes and specialist equipment. We work together with children, parents, carers and other professionals.

Brightmet Health Centre,
Brightmet Fold Lane,
Bolton,
BL2 6NT
Tel: 01204 463366



Community Paediatricians Children's:

Community paediatricians are specialist children's doctors who see children mostly in community based settings, out of hospital. We aim to provide high quality, appropriate assessment, treatment and care for children and young people.

Community Paediatrics, BL2 6NT
01204 463366

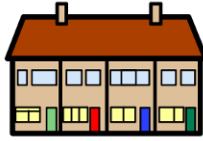
Audiology - Paediatric:

Our specialised service supports children aged 0 to 19 (if in full-time education) with hearing and balance difficulties and works closely with a number of other services. We provide hearing aid assessments, management of hearing loss and hearing

Children's Hearing Assessment Centre,

Appointments line: 01204 462670

Audiology Office : 01204 463492 or 463493



Housing

Find a Home/Assessing your needs – Bolton Council:

Provides information and advice on council services for residents, businesses and visitors to the town.

Town Hall, BL1 1RU

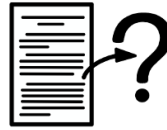
01204 333333 webteam@bolton.gov.uk

Disabled Facilities Grant:

You could get a grant from your council if you're disabled and need to make changes to your home, for example to:

- widen doors and install ramps
- improve access to rooms and facilities – eg stair lifts or a downstairs bathroom
- provide a heating system suitable for your needs
- adapt heating or lighting controls to make them easier to use

For more information call 01204 337020 or 01204 337900



Money Matters

Council Tax Support – Bolton Council:

Provides information and advice on disabled discount on council tax.

Town Hall, BL1 1RU
01204 333333 webteam@bolton.gov.uk

Credit Unions – Bolton Council:

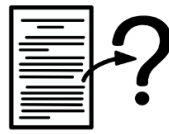
Provides information and advice on council services for residents, businesses and visitors to the town.

Town Hall, BL1 1RU
01204 333333 webteam@bolton.gov.uk

Housing Benefit – Bolton Council:

Provides information and advice on council services for residents, businesses and visitors to the town.

Town Hall, BL1 1RU
01204 333333 webteam@bolton.gov.uk



Money Matters

Money Skills – Bolton Council:

Provides information and advice on council services for residents, businesses and visitors to the town.

moneyskills@bolton.gov.uk

Telephone:

01204 332916

Personal Budgets – Special Educational Needs and Disabilities:

Provides information and advice on council services for residents, businesses and visitors to the town.

[Send an email to](mailto:ea.sen@bolton.gov.uk)

ea.sen@bolton.gov.uk

Telephone:

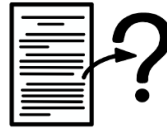
01204 338612

Together Trust Independent Supporters:

The Together Trust is providing a new Free Service called Independent Support to families of Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND) in Bolton. An independent supporter is a delegated.

Together Trust Centre, SK8 1JE

0161 283 4848 isduty@togethertrust.org.uk



Money Matters

Money and Debt Advice:

We offer free, confidential and impartial services available to people who live, work or study in the Bolton area:.

[Send an email to
moneyadvice@bolton.gov.uk](mailto:moneyadvice@bolton.gov.uk)

Telephone:
01204 332916

Furniture4U:

Free, confidential and impartial services available to people who live, work or study in the Bolton area:

[Send an email to
furniture4u@bolton.gov.uk](mailto:furniture4u@bolton.gov.uk)

Telephone:
01204 368599

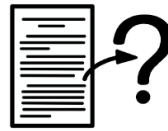
Action for Children:

We provide an independent Children's Rights and Advocacy Service for children and young people who are looked after (in care) by Bolton local authority. Our referral criteria includes children with disabilities and young people.

The Hub, Bold Street, BL2 1LS
01204 546087 ruth.gandy@actionforchildren.org.uk



Money



Matters

The Michael Williams Trust:

The Trust provides financial support to youngsters who are socially disadvantaged or with learning difficulties or special needs, to engage and participate in sporting and recreational activities which they would not normally partake or pursue

Birches Farm Cottage, BL7 0HX
01204 852180 eddie264@btinternet.com

Family Fund:

Family Fund is the UK's largest grant giving charity for families raising disabled or seriously ill children and young people. We can help with a wide range of grants including family breaks, computers, tablets, furniture, bedding, outdoor play equipment, kitchen appliances and clothing.

4 Alpha Court, YO32 9WN
(01904) 550055 info@familyfund.org.uk



Sport and Leisure

Jubilee Swimming Pool:

S.E.N.D Care & Support

Facilities: The Jubilee Pool is situated in Halliwell; a facility for all members of the community especially those with disabilities and their families. It has several unique features and every effort has been made to enable everyone to participate .

Jubilee Swimming Pool, BL1 3DX

01204 334443 07779142502 northwestwarriors1@gmail.com

The Lancashire Wildlife Trust:

The Lancashire Wildlife Trust offers environmental education services to schools and groups. It also works with community groups to help them to develop and maintain their green spaces and have volunteer opportunities for 16 years onwards.

499-511, BL2 6DH

01772 324129 info@lancswt.org.uk



Sport

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Leisure

Birtenshaw Hydrotherapy Pool:

Birtenshaw's hydrotherapy suite is part of a new multi million pound development in the Bromley Cross area of Bolton. The hydrotherapy suite boasts a lovely 9x4m pool heated to 32c, offering disabled access, changing and state of the art equipment. Water Babies manage the pool and the timetable, and are now taking bookings from external providers i.e aquanatal, aqua aerobics, 1 to 1 swim coaching and so on. Please ring the number provided to check availability.

Birtenshaw, Darwen Road, BL7 9AB

(01204) 304320 charlene.Jackson@waterbabies.co.uk



Sport



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Leisure

Bolton Bullets Power Chair Football Club:

We are affiliated to both Lancashire County FA and the WFA, whose insurance covers our activities. In September 2012, we were awarded the FA Charter Standard Club status. We offer training sessions for beginners and those who want to play recreationally. If you are a powered wheelchair user, why not come and watch us training to see if you fancy giving it a try. We usually train on Friday evenings from 5pm to 7.30pm at Smithills Sports Centre, Smithills Dean Road, BL1 6JS.

Smithills Sports Centre, Smithills Dean Road, BL1 6JS

Liz: 07944710874 or Shirley: 07771632190

secretary@boltonbullets.co.uk



Sport



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Leisure

Bolton Disability Swimming Club:

Bolton Disability Swimming Club is open to young people with any physical disability, visual or hearing impairment or learning difficulties. There are two social evenings a year where swimmers are presented with certificates and badges.

Ladybridge High School, BL3 4NG
01204 656569 chrismcd.13@hotmail.co.uk

Bolton Disability Sports Association (BDSA):

We are a voluntary organisation working to provide quality Sporting and Recreational Activities throughout Bolton for people with disabilities & their siblings. We run sessions in the following areas: Archery / Cricket / Dance Cycling / Football / Gymnastics / Handball / Trampolining, Swimming & more. Please contact us if you would like any more information.

Bolton
01204 411672 secretarybdsa@hotmail.co.uk



Sport and Leisure

Bolton Wanderers Community Trust:

We are committed to act as positive role models to inspire, enhance and change lives and to achieve this in partnership with others. We commit to create a sustainable charity.

Macron Stadium, BL6 6JW

012(04) 673790 RSlater@bwct.org.uk

Northwest Warriors Martial Arts & Fitness Centre:

We cover a vast amount of martial arts classes for all ages ranges from as young as 4 years upwards, plus we have a good range of Adult Classes too. We also run female only Boot camps, private PT sessions and sport martial art classes .We cover in our martial art classes a wide range from anti bullying, self-defense, confidence building, mindset and goal setting, believing in yourself, fitness and everything else.

North West Warriors, BL26QF

07779142502 northwestwarriors1@gmail.com



Sport



and Leisure

Frances Bleasdale School of Dancing:

Frances Bleasdale School of Dancing has been providing high quality dance classes in Bolton for 84 years. Our dance styles include: Ballet, Tap, Modern Theatre Dance, Jazz, Street and Contemporary. We have a strong record of success in coaching students for auditions to full time vocational dance colleges. This year we are starting to offer Enable - a small dance class for children on the autistic and Down's syndrome spectrums. (If interested please contact us for details).

Frances Bleasdale School of Dancing, BL1 2PB
01204 841389 francesbleasdale@gmail.com
Mobile: 07842880932



Sport and Leisure

Thicketford Light Stimulation Room:

Thicketford Centre Sensory Room, Booking Number 01204 333932, room Cost is £15 per hour with a maximum capacity of five people at any one time including support staff.

Thicketford Centre, BL2 2QL

01204 333942 ian.proctor@bolton.gov.uk

Bury Boccia Club:

Bury Boccia Club provides participants the opportunity to experience playing the game of Boccia in an informal setting. Boccia is an indoor ball game that is played seated and consists of six red balls, six blue balls and one white ball called the Jack. The aim of the game is to propel the six red and blue balls towards the Jack, using skill and strategic planning. The sport is aimed towards ages over 7 and beyond. The sport can be played as a leisure game or a competitive game.

Radcliffe Leisure Centre, Spring Lane, BL2 6EB

(07767) 133625 paul.skodapower@googlemail.com



Sport and Leisure

Foxfields Therapeutic Horse Riding Centre

At Foxfields Therapeutic Horse Riding Centre we offer Equine-Assisted Therapy sessions for individuals with disabilities and special educational needs. Working with horses can improve social, cognitive and physical skills, as well as being an enjoyable activity for all ages. Established in July 2019, Foxfields is a 4* Centre licensed by Bolton Council.

Factory Hill, Horwich, Bolton BL6, UK

foxfieldsridingcentre@gmail.com

07535474688



Travel and Transport

DRIVESAFE (BSM): Fully adaptable automatic driving tuition, provided by level 3 fully qualified ADI instructor. Motability, Pass Plus, refresher and motorway lessons available. Patient instructor with an excellent pass rate.

51 Longworth st, BL2 6AR
07738664021 steve.wood_drivesafe@gmail.com

Motability– Bolton Council:

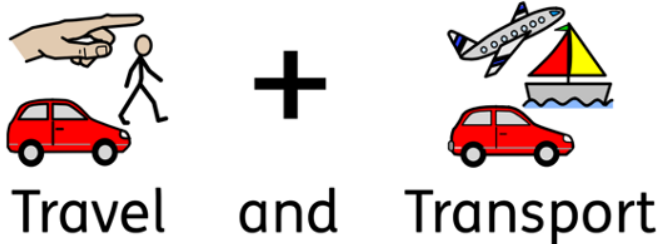
Provides information and advice on council services for residents, businesses and visitors to the town.

Town Hall, BL1 1RU
01204 333333 webteam@bolton.gov.uk

Transport assistance – Bolton Council:

Provides information and advice on council services for residents, businesses and visitors to the town.

Town Hall, BL1 1RU
01204 333333 webteam@bolton.gov.uk



Pure Innovations

Pure Innovations are commissioned by Bolton MBC to provide 1:1 independent travel training to young people. All training is delivered in real time and is personalised around the needs of the young person. Trainers are all DBS checked and have a wealth of experience working with additional needs.

Sanderling Building, SK3 0RF

0161 804 4400 paul.wainhouse@pureinnovations.co.uk

Travel Pass for disabled people:

Travel Concessions

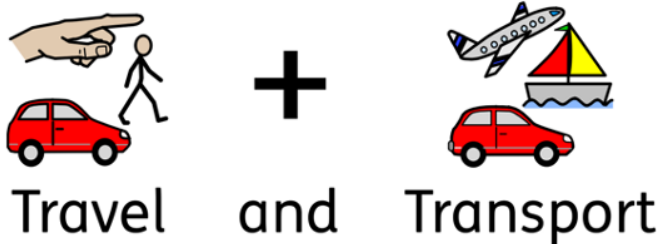
Customer Services

Transport for Greater Manchester

PO Box 429

Manchester

M60 1HX



Wheelchair Services

Bolton Wheelchair Service provides permanent wheelchairs for patients who are registered with a Bolton General Practitioner (GP), who have a physical disability affecting mobility that requires them to use a wheelchair for all their mobility needs.

Bolton Wheelchair Service

Lever Chambers Centre for Health

Ashburner Street

Bolton

BL1 1SQ

Tel: 01204 462777

Equipment Repair Service

Tel: 01204 390742