



# Donegall Pass Community Forum

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DONEGALL PASS COMMUNITY FORUM FULLY ENDORSES, SUPPORTS AND IMPLEMENTS, WHEN REQUIRED AND WHERE APPROPRIATE, THE STATED SPECIAL NEEDS POLICY OF INNER SOUTH BELFAST SURE START AS SET OUT HEREUNDER:

## INNER CITY SOUTH BELFAST



### SPECIAL NEEDS POLICY

Inner City South Belfast Sure Start aim is to deliver high quality childcare provision in all of its childcare settings. Each child is valued regardless of ability/disability or educational needs and will be enabled to reach his/her full potential in an active learning environment. A core element of the Sure Start programme is to promote the integration of children with disabilities into mainstream, and where possible local, childcare provision. To help achieve this objective the programme has contracted resources through the Sure Start Early Years Worker whose role it is to provide support, guidance and expertise to childcare facilities. In admitting, planning and providing care for children with disabilities childcare staff will liaise closely with the Sure Start Early Years Worker.

In order to achieve the above we will: -

- Apply admissions criteria
- Consult with parents/carers and other relevant professionals such as Health Visitors, about the child's specific needs
- Assess each child's individual needs and develop an action plan to meet these
- Actively support child to integrate as fully as possible into the setting
- If appropriate adapt equipment/environment to enable full participation in activities and routines
- Recognise parents as the first educator of their child and work in partnership with them, sharing information on their child's progress and development

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