Further information and support

North Lincolnshire's Local Offer website www.northlincslocaloffer.com has further information on Personal Budgets www.northlincslocaloffer.com/personalbudgets and where you can get independent help and support

Access and Inclusion - Disability Service

Brumby Centre, Grange Lane North, Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire DN16 1BN Telephone: 01724 407988

The SEND Information, Advice and Support Service - SENDIASS

Hewson House, Station Road, Brigg, North Lincolnshire DN20 8XJ

Telephone: 01724 277665

Email: sendiass@northlincs.gov.uk

Special Educational Needs Team

Hewson House, PO Box 35

Station Road, Brigg, North Lincolnshire DN20 8XJ

Telephone: 01724 297148

Email: special.needssection@northlincs.gov.uk

Penderals Trust - www.penderelstrust.org.uk Meeting New Horizons - Email: enquiries@hull-cvs.co.uk



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Personal Budgets





This is a quick guide for families in North Lincolnshire who are interested in finding out what personal budgets are, who can have one and what they can be used for.

What is a Personal Budget?

A personal budget is an amount of money identified by the Local Authority and Health, as deemed appropriate, to deliver provision set out in an Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan to achieve outcomes for a child or young person with special educational needs and /or a disability aged 0-25 years.

How do I get one?

Parents or carers of children and young people have the right to make a request to the Local Authority for a personal budget once an EHC assessment has been completed and the authority has confirmed that it will prepare an EHC plan. They can also request a personal budget during an EHC plan review.

Parents, carers or young people aged 16 and over can request information about a personal budget for an EHC plan at any time.

Legally, the council only has to prepare a personal budget when they decide it is necessary to draw up an EHC plan.

Managing a personal budget

There are four ways in which a personal budget can be managed:

Option 1

Direct payment
where the parent/carer or the
young person receive money to buy
and manage services themselves
with or without additional
support.

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Option 2

where the Local Authority or education provider holds the money and commissions the services included in the EHC plan as directed by the parents or young person.

Option 3

where parents/ carers can choose an organisation or a nominated person to manage the money on their behalf

Option 4

A combination o options

In all four options the parents or carer, or young person is accountable to the Local Authority or Health Service, who will also monitor the spend and ensure that the identified outcomes in the EHC plan are achieved.

Support for managing a Personal Budget

Independent support and advice is available to young people and parents/carers to manage personal budgets. Penderels Trust (for adults) and New Horizons (for 0-18) provide support for young people and their families. Contact details overleaf.