



**Short Breaks**

**FUN ACTIVITIES**  
FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE  
**WITH DISABILITIES**  
AND/OR ADDITIONAL NEEDS

# ACTIVITY PROVIDERS WANTED!



**WOULD YOU LIKE TO OFFER ACTIVITIES TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND/OR ADDITIONAL NEEDS?**

**OR MAKE ALREADY ESTABLISHED GROUPS MORE INCLUSIVE?**

**IF THE ANSWER IS YES, WHY NOT BECOME A SHORT BREAKS PROVIDER?**

## WHAT IS SHORT BREAKS?

Short Breaks is a statutory service funded through Children's Services by the Isle of Wight Council and aims to increase activity opportunities available for children and young people with disabilities and/or additional needs to participate in.

This in turn provides a 'short break' for parents/carers, while their child or young person participates in a safe, fun and enjoyable activity which meets their needs.

To achieve this, Short Breaks offers a range of after-school clubs, evening/weekend activities and overnight stays for children and young people (up to their 19th birthday).



## WHAT HELP CAN WE OFFER YOU?

Short Breaks can help clubs or activities with:

- financial support with a grant of up to £10,000;
- training opportunities;
- support and advice;
- communication aids;
- resource libraries;
- marketing your organisation;
- networking with other organisations.

Short breaks staff are also available to offer direct support to all providers.



## WHAT WILL YOU NEED TO DO?

If you want to become a short break provider you need to be able to:

- have at least £10,000,000 public liability insurance;
- attend provider forums;
- provide us with monthly data monitoring sheets;
- market the activities you offer;
- attend our annual Short Breaks fun day in July;
- put safeguarding policies/risk assessments in place
- ensure all your staff have enhanced DBS checks (disclosure and barring service).
- provide us with the financial information if needed.

# WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

Young people and parents have told us they would like activities such as:

- youth clubs;
- trampolining;
- sailing;
- gymnastics;
- swimming;
- sports;
- dance clubs;
- gaming;
- theatre groups.

In addition we are also always looking for different and original activities to be set up. If you are interested in providing an activity then please contact us.



**If you would like to find out more  
about providing activities for  
Short Breaks then contact us on:**

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