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Bakers Way Information for Parents





What is Bakers Way?

Bakers Way is a short breaks service situated in the Bryncethin area of Bridgend. It is a five bedded home which provides regular, planned short break stays for disabled children and young people, 0-18 years. The majority of the children and young people who stay at Bakers Way reside in Bridgend County Borough.

Many of the children who attend Bakers Way also attend Heronsbridge School and close links are maintained between the two.

What does it offer?

Bakers Way offers a range of facilities to ensure children and young people who receive short breaks are supported appropriately, which include their need for play and stimulation. Bakers Way also has specialist equipment which will support children with more complex physical and medical needs.

Staff are appropriately trained and skilled to provide a safe and caring environment for all children and young people, and to ensure they enjoy their stays.

Bakers Way aims to meet your child's emotional, social, behavioural, health and development needs in a way that protects their dignity and encourages their independence.

Would your child benefit from using Bakers Way?

All children/young people who attend Bakers Way need to be referred by The Disabled Children's team. If your child already has a social worker from this team, they will have already undertaken an assessment of your child's needs, so please ask them if Bakers Way would be a suitable option.

Following discussions, if you, your child and their social worker all agree that Bakers Way would be a suitable service, your social worker will contact the manager, and send a referral requesting short break stays for your child.

The Bakers Way manager will consider the referral and within seven working days will confirm to the social worker, whether or not the referral can be accepted.



If the referral is accepted, the social worker will invite you and your child to visit Bakers Way where you will meet with the manager. This will provide you with the opportunity to look around and to ask further questions.

If after a visit, you and your child wish to proceed with regular short break stays, you will need to speak to your social worker who will arrange a further meeting involving your child, you, the social worker and the Bakers Way manager to complete the necessary paperwork. At this meeting a series of introduction visits and a date to review progress will be agreed.



For further information please contact:

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A children's guide in DVD format is also available from Bakers Way.

A copy of the Statement of Purpose is also available on request.

An information leaflet on the Disabled Children's team is also available upon request by ringing 01656 815442.