

The Wokingham Borough Local Offer

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I think my child might have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)

What to do if you are worried about your child with SEND



Support for different types of special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)

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Who to contact for advice and guidance

Who to talk to about help and support around special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)



Updates, feedback, news and information

Find out about special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) updates and give us feedback



Education and special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)

Find help and support for children and young people with SEND



Health and Social Care

Find health and social care help and support for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)



Children under 5

Find help and support for children under 5 with special educational needs and/or disability (SEND) and their families



Becoming an adult

Find help and support for young people age 14 to 25 with special educational needs and/or disabilities as they move to adulthood

The Local Offer – where to find information

Becoming an adult

This sections of the website contains transition information relating to:

- Health
- Leaving school
- Independent living & housing
- Employment and training
- Moving to adult social care

Education & special educational needs and/or disabilities

Web pages with transition information:

- FAQ's related to education
- Support in school & college
- Annual Reviews
- Education & training from the age of 16

Local Offer Directory

Find local and national support services:

Local services:

- WBC Transition Team (part of adult social care)
- SENDIASS
- Optalis Supported Employment Service

National website:

- Preparing for adulthood
- Transition Information Network

Becoming an adult



Healthcare services from 18

Find out about what happens to healthcare when a young person with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) turns 18



Education from age 16

Where to go for advice and support when moving on from school for a young person with special educational needs and/or disabilities



Find out about independent living.

Find information and advice on living independently and what support options are available



Moving to adult social care services

What happens when a young person with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) turns 18



Local Offer guide for young people

Find easy read guides and videos on special educational needs and disability subjects and services



Easy read guide to the supported employment service

Find out how the supported employment service can help



Next Step - finding a job or starting a training scheme

Find help and support service for a young person with special educational needs and/or disabilities



Making your own decisions

Find out about when a young person with special educational needs and/or disabilities becomes more involved in making decisions

Education and special educational needs and/or disabilities



Education, Health and Care (EHCP) Assessments

Find out how to apply for an Education, Health and Care assessment and what's involved in the process



Find a school and their Local Offer

What individual schools do to support children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)



Support in schools and college

Support for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) who need extra help



Support for pre school children

Find help and support for pre school children with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) who need extra help



Personal budgets explained

Find out when a parent or young person can request to take some of the personal budget as a direct payment



What to do if you are unhappy about a decision

What to do if you are unhappy about a decision made about an Education, Health and Care assessment or plan



Annual Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) review

Find out how to get the most out of an annual review and who will be attending



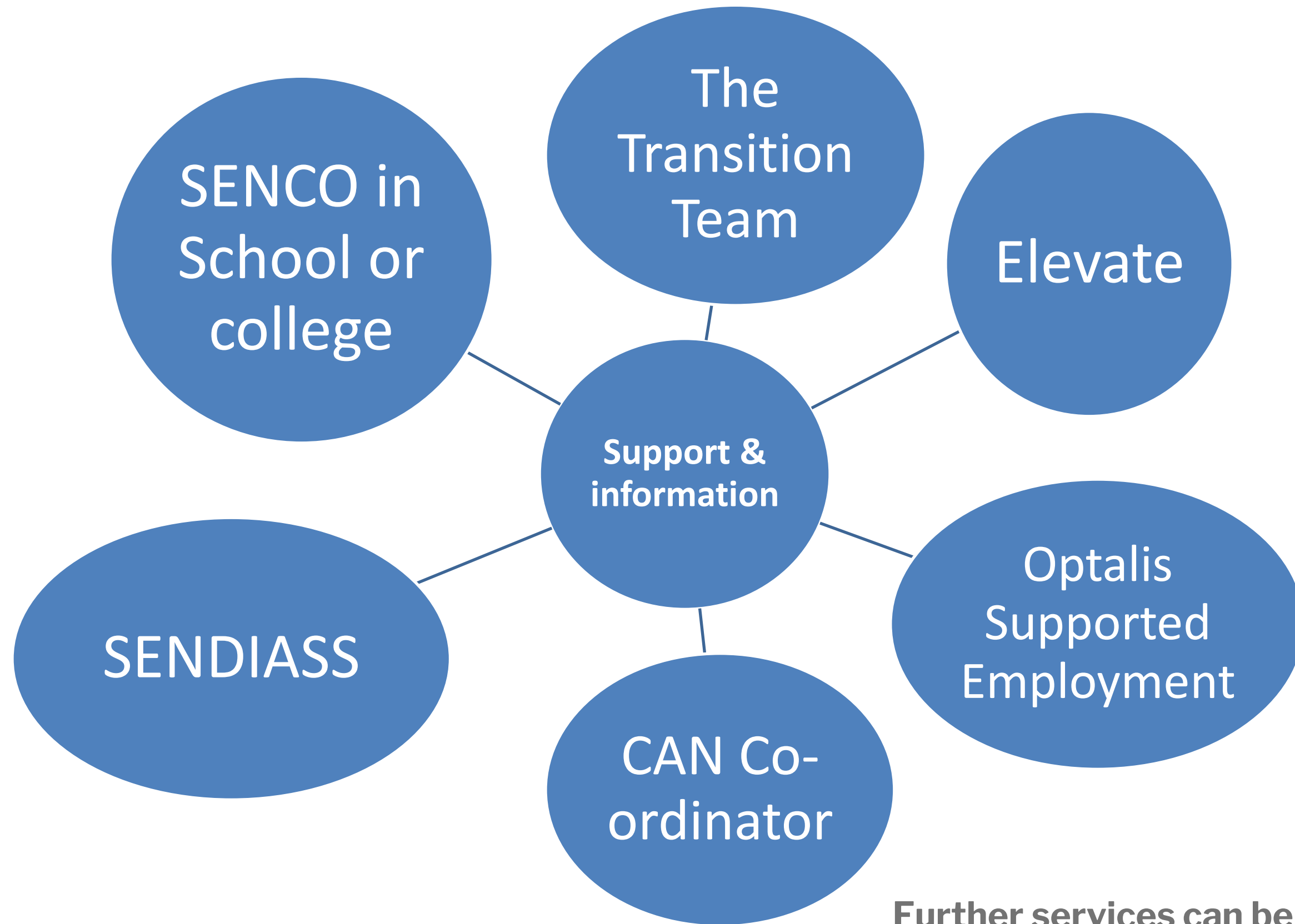
Support in school for medical conditions

Find out about the extra support school provide for children and young people with medical needs

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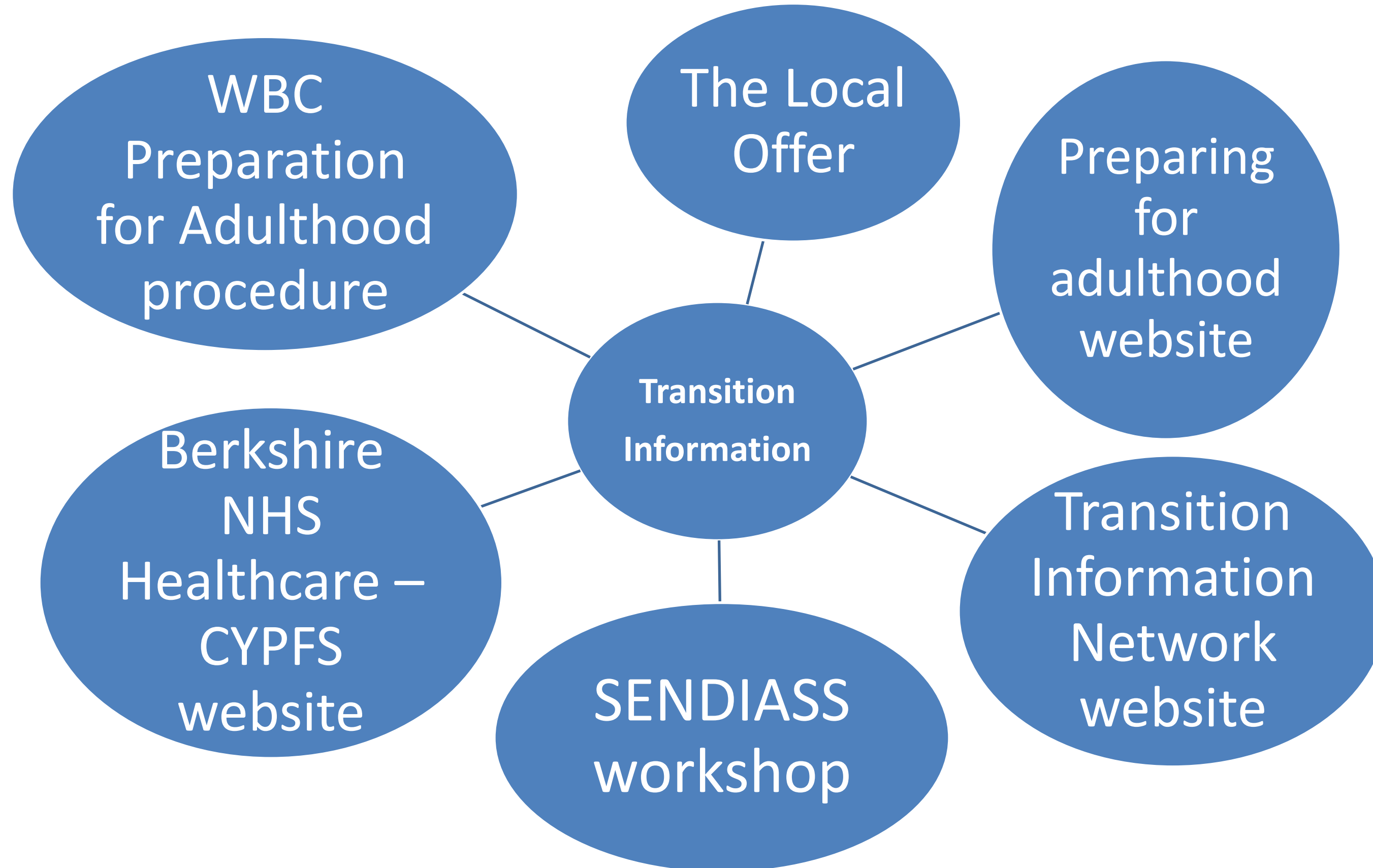
 Benefits and financial guidance	 Childcare and early years	 Employment, training and careers advice
 Equipment, toys and daily living aids	 Health and wellbeing	 Holiday schemes
 Leisure and activities	 See our what's on guide	 Wokingham Borough Council's short breaks service
 Social care services	 Special educational needs	 Support groups and services
 Support and social groups for carers	 Transport, disability parking and Travel	 Disability friendly holidays

Local services offering support & information on transition



Further services can be found on the **Local Offer**

Where to go for information



Examples of local support services and opportunities for young people

Education at 16+, training, supported employment and career support services

[Ace@Optalis](#)

[Reading College](#)

[Wokingham and Bracknell College](#)

[Access to Work](#)

[Reading College – Route to recruit](#)

[Berkshire College of Agriculture \(BCA\)](#)

[Elevate](#)

[Starting Point](#)

[Optalis Supported Employment Service](#)

[ALFIE @ BCA](#)

[Ability Travel with Optalis](#)

[Graft Thames Valley](#)

[Kimel Foundation](#)

[Wokingham Job Support Centre](#)

[Job Centre Plus – Kick Start](#)

[Job Centre Plus - Disability Employment Advisor](#)

[Jigsaw - The golden planet](#)

Independent living, learning new skills, improving social skills

[The Ways and Means Trust - Greenshoots](#)

[Dimensions](#)

[Transform Housing and Support](#)

[Ridgeline Trust](#)

[Rose Buddies, Creative Support](#)

[Clean Conscience](#)

[CLASP](#)

[Upper Lodge Farming Project](#)

National organisations

[Preparing for adulthood website](#)

[Mencap](#)

www.wokingham.gov.uk/lo-directory

Children with Additional Needs (CAN) Network

The CAN Network is part of Wokingham Borough Council and is an information and support service for children and young people (up to age 25) and their families, who live in the Wokingham Borough.

The CAN Network offers a range of benefits to families

including:

Access to the CAN Network Co-Ordinator for information and advice

Regular newsletters

Signposting to other appropriate services

CAN Card

Annual family fun and information day

Contact details

CAN Network Co-Ordinator:

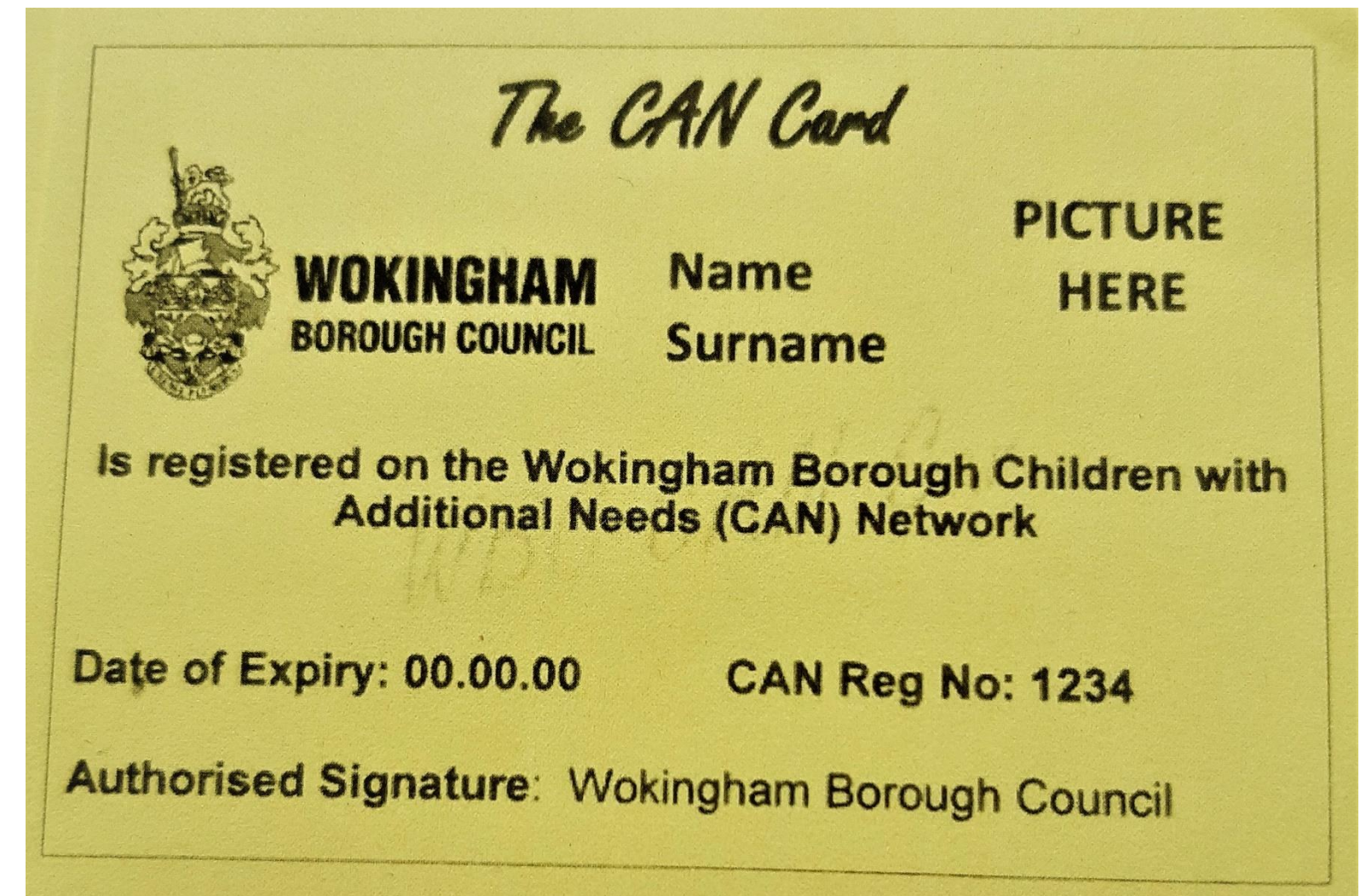
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Email:

CAN.network@wokingham.gov.uk

Working Hours:

Monday and Tuesday, 9am - 3:30pm, Wednesday, 9am – 4pm



WBC Transition Team (part of adult social care)

The Transition Team work with young people aged 14-25 to transition them into Adult Social Care and, in some cases, look at further needs like transport, education and health.

They accept referrals from a range of different sources including schools, parents and healthcare workers.

Transitions Team directory listing

The following documents are located on the Transition Teams listing:

- Preparation for Adulthood procedure 2019 -2022
- Easy Read – Approaching adulthood

Contact details for the Transition team

Tel: 0118 974 6832

Email: TransitionsDuty@wokingham.gov.uk

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www.wokingham.gov.uk/lo

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www.wokingham.gov.uk/lo-directory

Becoming an adult

www.wokingham.gov.uk/lo-adulthood

Care and support for adults

www.wokingham.gov.uk/care-and-support-for-adults/

To request an adults needs assessment contact:

Health and Social Care Hub

Tel: 0300 365 1234

Email: ascmailboxassessmentteam@wokingham.gov.uk