Gloucestershire County Council

Early Intervention & Community Team

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Early Intervention & Community Team (EI&CT)

The Early Intervention & Community Team, is a multi-disciplinary team which brings together experts in education, community work and early intervention to provide advice, guidance and intervention to ensure that families receive the right help at the right time, supporting families to receive the help they need from the people they know in the communities they trust.

Who are the Early Intervention & Community Team?

The Early Intervention & Community Team brings together a range of professionals who work alongside children, young people, families, schools, early years settings and community partners to identify needs early and provide coordinated support before challenges escalate.

Our multidisciplinary team includes:



Early Intervention & Community Team Leads

Lead the delivery of the Early Intervention and Community Team and undertake partnership work to develop community networks which strengthen support for children and families where they live.



Family, Community & Education Advisors

Work alongside families, schools and communities to provide early support, build strengths and help prevent needs from escalating.



Senior Family, Community & Education Advisors

Lead and oversee early support work, providing advice, guidance and coordination to strengthen outcomes for children, families and communities, supporting families where needs are more complex.



Community Social Workers

Provide social work expertise within communities, helping children and families access the right levels of support at the earliest opportunity.



Best Start in Life SEND & Inclusion Practitioners

Support early years settings, children and families to promote inclusion and help children with additional needs get the best possible start in life

Together we provide early intervention, advice, consultation, inclusion support, community-based assistance and specialist expertise for emerging needs

What do we do?



Helping Early

We provide preventative support for children, young people and families at the earliest opportunity, helping to identify strengths, understand needs and prevent issues from escalating unnecessarily.

Supporting inclusion and attendance

We work with children, families and partners to identify and address barriers to learning, attendance, participation and inclusion, including SEND-related needs.

Provide advice and consultation

Schools, Early Years settings and wider partners can access consultation, reflective discussion and specialist advice where there is uncertainty, complexity or emerging risk.

Building community connections

We connect families with local services, Youth and Family Hubs, voluntary organisations, support groups and community resources to strengthen natural support networks.

Coordinating support

We help bring partners together, facilitate collaborative planning and support joined-up responses that place children and families at the centre.

Our approach

We believe children and families achieve the best outcomes when support is coordinated, proportionate and built around what matters most to them.



Building stronger communities where children and young people can thrive

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