

## **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO PROVIDE A WEEKEND FUN CLUB FOR DISABLED CHILDREN**

Kent County Council Disabled Children's Services seek expressions of interest to provide weekend fun clubs for Disabled Children in the Maidstone area.

### **Proposed Service Outputs**

The service specification is in its draft stage, but it is hoped this facility could provide weekend fun clubs operating once monthly throughout the year and providing six days per annum and six residential weekends. This should encompass at least two clubs differentiated according to age.

### **Proposed Service Outcomes**

- 1) Opportunity for disabled and non disabled children and young people to build positive relationships.
- 2) Increased range of residential and non-residential recreational and learning activities for participants.
- 3) Increased confidence and self esteem.
- 4) Increased personal and social skills (communication, team working, co-operation, etc) and life skills (using public transport, accessing community resources).
- 5) Participation in the local community.
- 6) Fun!

It is proposed that these clubs will commence as soon as possible following completion of the bidding process and contract documentation. The provider will be expected to undertake assessments, communicate with families, recruit, train and manage staff and volunteers

The provider will also provide youth workers, volunteers, care workers, premises (or demonstrate how they would work with another agency to provide premises), transport, and arrange residential programmes.

Termly quantitative data will require to be provided to Kent County Council. The scheme will require to evaluate annually.

Please send proposals with costings prior to the 26th September 2008 to:

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