Short Breaks Parent Carer Feedback- Survey responses collected throughout July 2022

1. 81% of Our respondents had heard of short breaks
2. 11 out of 16 of our respondents said that that they were eligible for short breaks
3. Out of the 11 respondents who said their child was eligible, only 4 attended a short break session.
4. The most common reasons our respondents stated they did not attend a short breaks session was the following:

* Not suitable due to child needing 1:1 support
* Providers not able to meet child’s needs
* None of them appealed to/weren’t suitable for the child
* Was not aware of short breaks/have only found out lately

1. The most common reasons our respondents stated the sessions were not accessible for their child was due to:

* Not being able to leave their child on their own at the session
* Could not attend due to providers not being able to accommodate for children who are incontinent

1. Out of the 4 respondents who stated their child did attend the short breaks session, 1 respondent stated their child did not enjoy the session, whilst 3 people stated they were not sure whether their child enjoyed the session.
2. When asked why they felt their child did/didn’t enjoy the session the most common answers were as follows:
   * Sessions were boring and basic
   * Not enough children there
   * Leaders lacked ambition
   * Child would not have been able to do the activities
3. We asked our respondents what activities they would like to see provided. Some of the suggestions were:

* Music
* Sensory play
* Outdoor activities
* Dancing
* Messy play
* Organised activities

1. We asked our respondents how would we be able to ensure their child leaves sessions with positive experiences. The most common answers were:

* Having trained members of staff
* More personalised experience, organisers know the child
* Sessions that support children with higher needs
* Sensory adapted and sensory needs met
* Have programmes of activities rather than low impact activities

This data was collected throughout the month of July 2022 and has been collated for the purpose of this document. We had a total of 16 respondents to our survey.