



One Voice Local Offer event: Monday 20TH October.

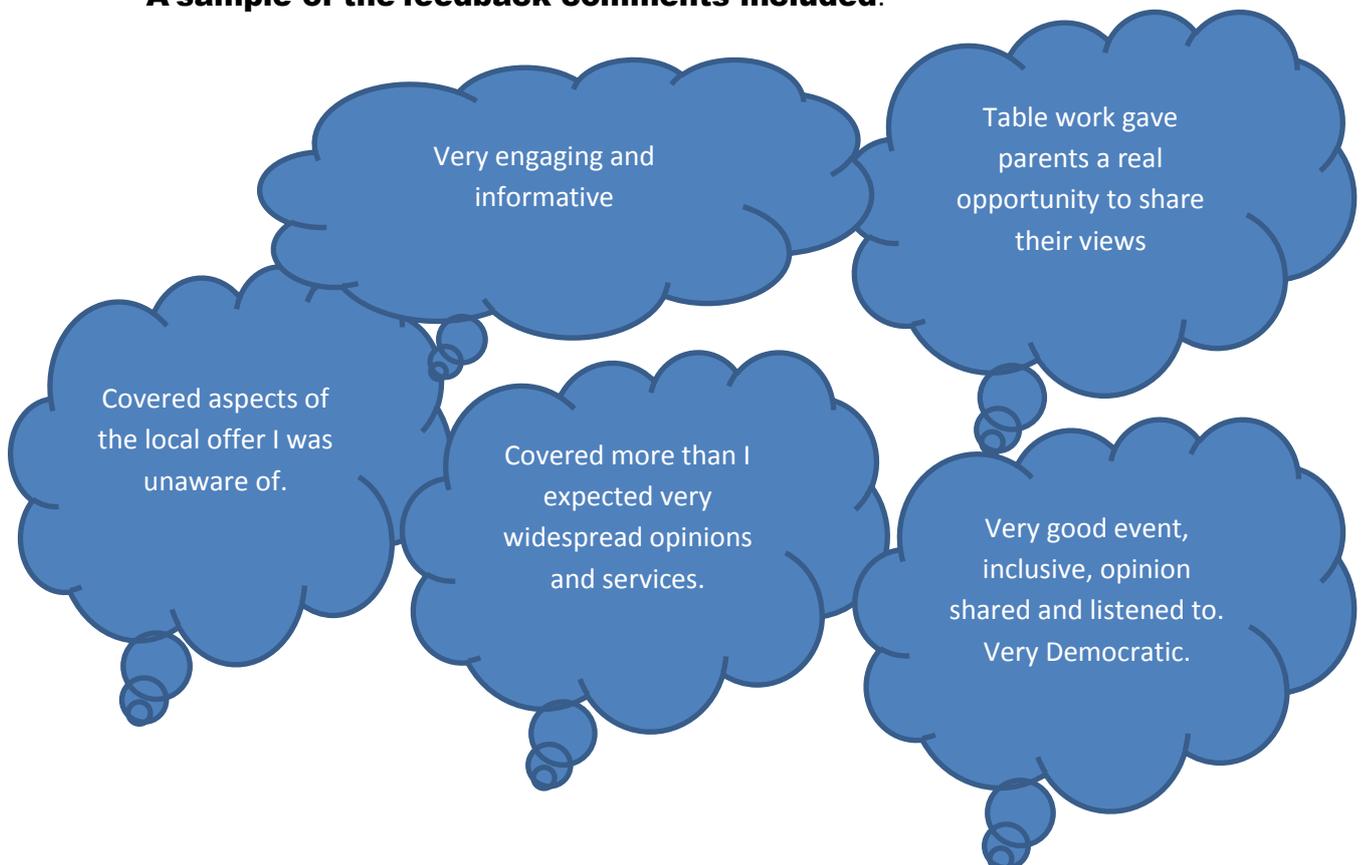
This was a Parent forum led event, all materials and resources were produced by the parent forum. 63 people registered to attend the event, 59 people attended on the day. It was a well-attended and successful event. Parents as well as professionals were in attendance, this was a great opportunity for parents to sit and have a face to face discussion with professionals. Additional agencies attended the day along with their information stands and participated at the table activities and discussion, these included Grapevine, Children's Champion, SEND IASS, Pendrels trust, Dyslexia Action, Sorted, Short Breaks and representatives from health.

The event was opened by Mark Godfrey, Deputy Director of Coventry City Council and Marion Simpson SEN Management services followed with a presentation around the SEND reforms, this then naturally led on to the 3 table top activities which included:

- **3 Specific interactive activities for attendees**
 - Local Offer table discussion / What information should it contain?
 - Interactive session with laptops searching Coventry Local offer and comparing to neighbouring Local Authorities
 - Local Offer Logo feedback and discussion

The feedback from the event was really positive and it covered the areas that participants expected. It was a great example of partnership working across a range of stakeholders.

A sample of the feedback comments included:



What was most helpful?



Ideas for future events:

- Maybe almost repeat event when parents have had chance to use local offer
- Activities for young people into adulthood
- The role of individual agencies e.g. Education, Health and Social Care

Responses for ongoing communication:

- Twitter was viewed as best method
- Email was least favourite method
- The “other” category included “what’s app” and the need to consider those without internet access
- Face to face was still considered a significant method of communication

