Berkshire Sensory Consortium Service

The Berkshire Sensory Consortium Service works with children and young people attending school and residents in the Berkshire Unitary Authorities who have educational needs arising from a diagnosed hearing, visual or multi-sensory impairment. Specialist teachers, paediatric habilitation specialists, educational audiologists and specialist teaching assistants provide a key worker service for pre-school children, pre-school groups, parent workshops and provide advice, teaching and training for pupils, parents and schools.

We loan specialist equipment to schools for children resident and attending schools in the Berkshire local authorities who are on our caseload. We loan specialist equipment for children and young people attending schools but not resident in the Berkshire local authorities who are on our caseload and whose needs are not met via the Education, Health and Care Plans/Statements or high needs funding from their resident local authority.

We are a joint arrangement between all Local Authorities in Berkshire:

- Windsor and Maidenhead (host authority)
- Bracknell Forest
- Reading
- Slough
- West Berkshire
- Wokingham

Who to contact

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When is it on?

**Date & Time Information**
<p>The Service works in term times although an emergency service is available for new pre-school referrals during the holiday periods and contact arrangements are with the local hospital referral service. In addition, habilitation specialists work during school holidays with children and young people already on caseload.</p>

Costs

**Other Costs**
The Berkshire Sensory Consortium Service is funded by the Local Authority via Central Government monies (Direct School Grant funding). The Service does not make any charge to parents. Independent schools can access the service but are charged for this provision. Colleges and 16+ provisions would access the service via premium inclusion funding arrangements between the colleges or local authorities and the service.