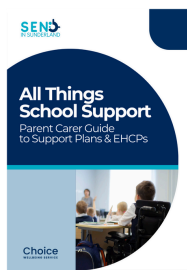
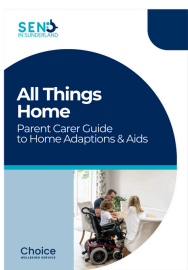
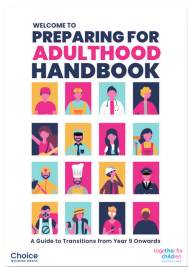
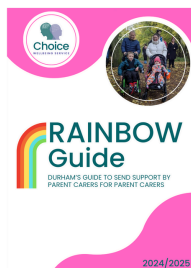
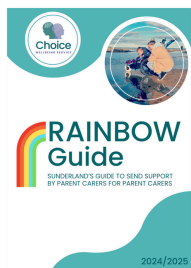


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# School Transport & Independent Travel

## Parent Carer Guide to Independent Travel

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## Independent Travel Training

We know that travelling independently may be a big step for your child, and you!

However, the trainers will work with young people on a 1-2-1 or small group basis within school/college ensuring they feel confident and comfortable. Training includes personal safety, road safety and journey planning. Trainers will complete a number of real-life routes which will be phased out over time as and when the individual is ready.

### How it works

- A travel trainer takes people on practical journeys
- The trainer highlights road safety, personal safety, and what to do if lost or anxious
- The training is gradual and ends with unaccompanied journeys
- The training is flexible and person-centered

### Benefits

- Helps people travel to school, work, and leisure venues
- Improves self-esteem and confidence
- Helps people be less reliant on parents and carers
- Helps people take part in social and community activities
- Helps people widen their social and educational activities
- Helps people maintain better relationships with their peers
- Helps people open up employment opportunities

### Who it's for

- People who need extra assistance and support to make journeys safely on their own
- People with Additional Learning Needs (ALN)
- Disabled people
- Children and young people



## Home to School Transport

Travel assistance for eligible young people (5yrs-25yrs), with SEND, can be provided in various options to families and carers:

- Dedicated Transport is procured, monitored, and managed by Together for Children to provide a high level of both standards and safety for the young people transported.
- Mileage Rate is a payment of 45p a mile made to parent/carers of eligible young people
- Nursery Transport is not something SEND Transport can provide for families, as it is non-statutory education.
- Extra Curriculum Transport is not part of SEND Transport. Legislation deems that transport need only be provided at the start and end of the school day.

### Free Travel Permits

- Free Travel Permits can be issued to eligible young people who live within the Sunderland area. Free Travel Permits allow the young person (5yrs-16yrs) to travel to and from school on public transport (Metro/bus/ferry) on any school day, before 7.00pm.

### Post-16 Transport (SEND)

- Travel assistance for Post 16 learners (16yrs-25yrs) is similar to Home to School Transport (SEND). However, within Post 16 travel, families may be required to make a contribution to travel, if dedicated transport is provided to a learner.

For more information on the Transport options please head to :

