### Child's Information

Name	
Date Of Birth	
Difficulty or Diagnosis	
Completed by co ordinator	
Outcome of referral	

Date ....

Please complete reverse of form and return to F2F P O Box 772, Telford, Tf7 9FD Thank you

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Here's what one Parent had to say about our scheme....

"Finding out that I am not alone, has definitely helped me to cope"

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## Face 2 Face

Parents supporting parents of disabled children

It's amazing what you can talk about over a cuppa in your own home, and our "Befrienders" know, because they do it every day!



to someone who really understands from experience the daily challenges every parent with a child with special needs faces....

> Isolated? Need someone to talk to? Not Coping?

Face 2 Face provides access to Parents of children with special needs, who have volunteered and been trained, to support other parents, through early diagnosis or through other challenging times.

You choose when and how often you see one of our patient "Befrienders". One visit may be enough for you or..... you might want a number of visits to exchange experiences.

Whatever your needs, you can be assured of confidentiality and the support of someone who really understands, and won't judge you!

### We're there..... because we care!



"Whenever you find yourself doubting how far you can go as a special needs parent, just remember how far you have come!"

# This is what people think and feel about our Befriending support

### How did you feel before Befriending?

"Lonely, as if no one really understood how I felt. I was afraid about opening up to friends and family around me because, with the best will in the world, they just didn't understand"

## What is Befriending like for you, has it helped?

"It really has helped me a lot, it's a break, some 'me' time. A cuppa and a friendly chat, a good listener even when things were tough for me"

# How do you feel after Befriending, has it made a difference to you?

"Yes, I feel generally more positive, less alone and like I'm able to cope and face more. I don't feel judged even though I shared things I haven't with other people. I know there is someone there just for me"

### Parent/Carer Information

Name
Address
PostCode
Telephone
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Do you, as a parent/carer, have any communication needs?
How is it best to contact you? (Please circle all those
applicable)  Email / Phone / Post  Agreement
I agree to these details being kept by Face 2 Face and understand that this information will be kept securely and that it will not be given to anyone without my permission and used only for Face 2 Face work.
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Date