

SENDIASS

Special Educational Needs and Disability
Information, Advice and Support Service



Travel and transport 16+

Easy-read information for young people



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Section 1. Introduction



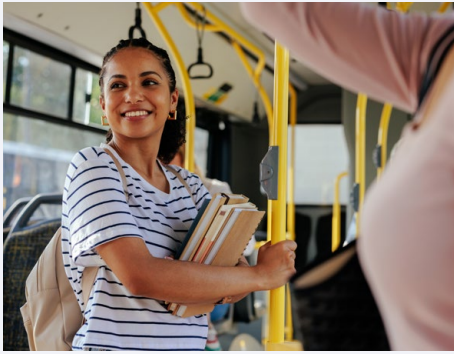
Travelling on your own is an important skill for life.



You might want to see friends or just get out and about.



You might want to visit other places.



You might want to travel to school, college or a training provider on your own.

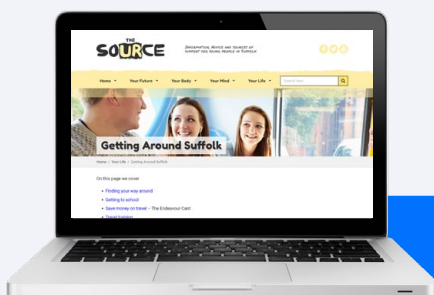


You might use different ways to travel.

You might want to use the bus, a taxi or a train.



You might also want to walk, cycle or learn to drive.



There is more information about travelling around Suffolk on the Source website:

Getting Around Suffolk

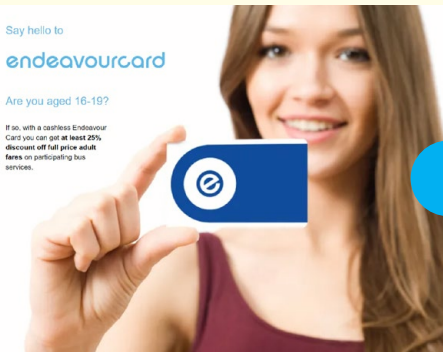


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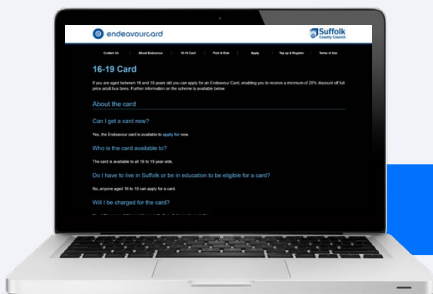


Here are some options:



The Endeavour Card – for young people aged between 16 to 19 who live in Suffolk.

You can apply for savings off your bus travel.



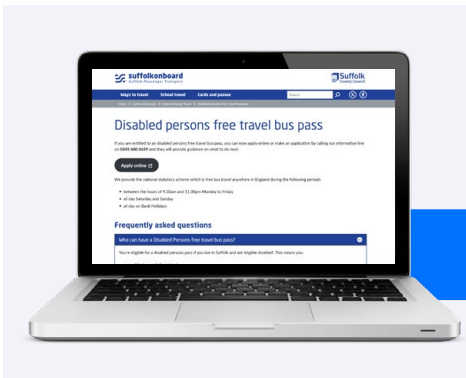
Find out more about the Endeavour Card:

Suffolkonboard - Endeavour Card



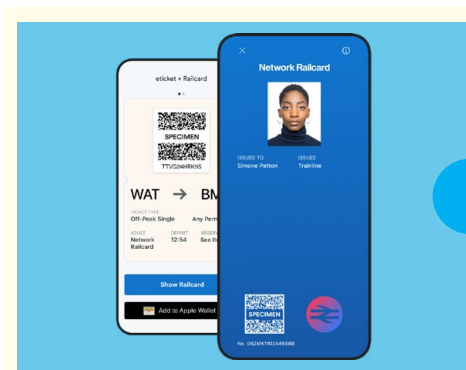


Disabled persons free travel bus pass.
This gives free travel on buses for some disabled people.



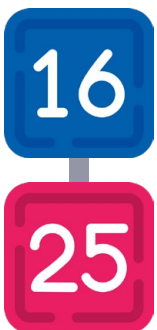
For more information:

Disabled persons free travel bus pass



16-25 Railcard.

You can get a 16-25 Railcard if you are:



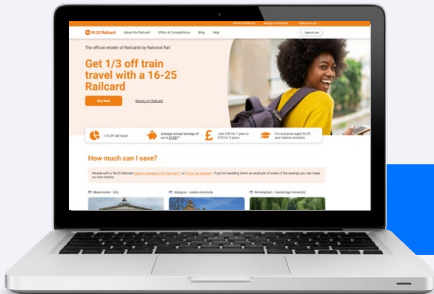
Aged 16-25



**A full time
student aged 26
or over**



You can save money on your tickets.



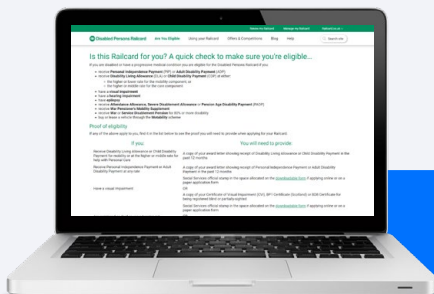
For more information:

16-25 Railcard



Disabled Person's Railcard:

You might be able to get a Disabled Person's Railcard.



To find out if you can get a Disabled Person's Railcard click this link:

Is this Railcard for you? A quick check to make sure you're eligible...

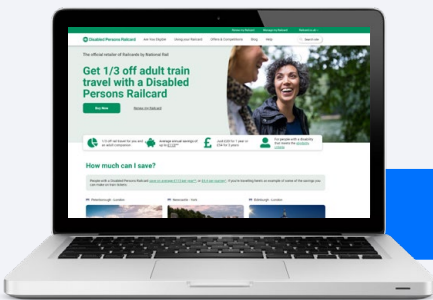




You can save money on your tickets.



Someone travelling with you can get the discount too.



For more information:

Disabled Person's Railcard



Many bus and rail companies have their own apps with their timetables and information.

For example: First Buses, Ipswich Buses and National Rail.

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Section 3. Travel 16+ (young people who started their course before their 19th birthday)



Many young people travel to school or college themselves or with the help of a family member.



Some young people get help from the council to travel to school or college.



How do I know if I can get help with travel arrangements to education or training?



The Government says councils should support young people to access the education and training of their choice.



When publishing their policy, councils should think about:



Young people with special educational needs and disabilities.



Young people at risk of not being in education, employment or training after age 16.



● Young people who live in rural areas.



When deciding if they should arrange transport for a young person, the council should consider:



● If the young person can walk to the school or college.



● What the route is like and how safe it is.



The journey time (making sure it is reasonable and does not cause stress).



Link to the full guidance:

Transport to education and training
for people aged 16 and over



How do I ask for help with travel?



You can apply to Suffolk County Council
for help with travel.



You can send in copies of any letters or reports which explain your support or mobility needs.



If you have an EHC plan, this may help explain your difficulties with travel and the support you need.



The council will look at your application and decide if you need support with travel.

The council might provide:



Help with a bus pass or travel card.



Travel training.



A personal travel budget.



Arranged transport.



Link to:

Suffolk County Council post-16 travel information, and how to apply



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Section 4. Travel 19+ (for people who started their current course after their 19th birthday)



You might need support with travel after age 19 - until you have finished your education.



If you started a course before your 19th birthday - see previous section 'Travel 16+.



Link to the full guidance:

Transport to education and training for people aged 16 and over





The council must consider necessary travel arrangements for:



**Adult learners aged 19 or over
(who started their current course
after their 19th birthday)**



**Young adults with an EHC plan
(aged 19–25).**



**If the council are arranging travel,
this must be provided free of charge.**



An example of this could be a specialised vehicle or minibus.



The council does not have to offer a personal travel budget, mileage allowance or public transport pass for free.



However, they may decide to pay some or all of the travel expenses.

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Section 5. Travel training



Travel training helps young people to learn how to travel on their own.



It can help to practice your journey before you need to use it the first time.



Travel training is free.



Travel training will help you:



feel more confident using buses or trains



keep safe when you travel



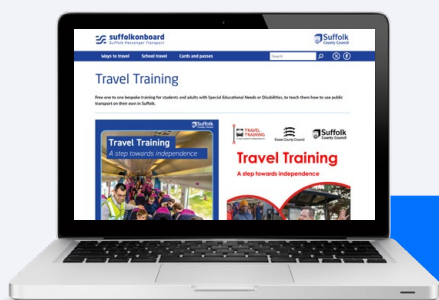
know how to use timetables and buy tickets



**Know what to do when things go wrong.
For example, if the bus is late.**



An EHC plan can also include travel training. It should be in section F (special educational provision).



**Find out more about travel training
in Suffolk:**

Suffolkonboard - Travel Training



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Section 6. Supported internship or apprenticeship



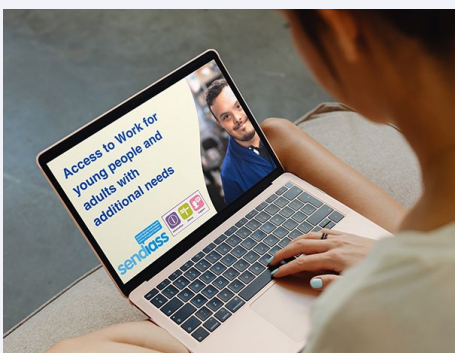
Young people aged 16+ with a physical or mental health condition or disability:

Access to
Work



HM Government

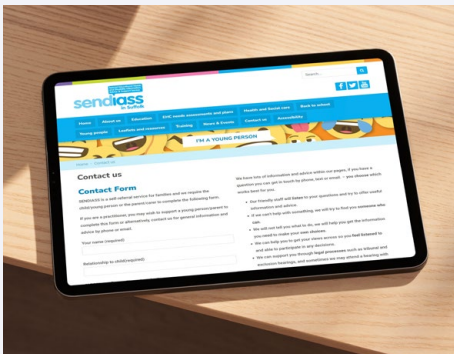
May get help with travel to the employer – through the 'Access to Work' government grant.



We have a [video](#) explaining this grant on our YouTube channel.

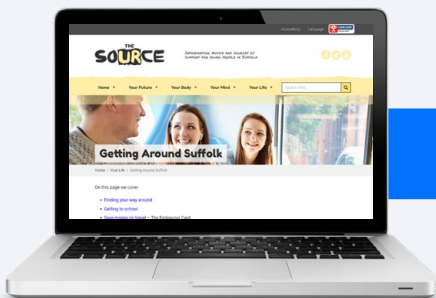
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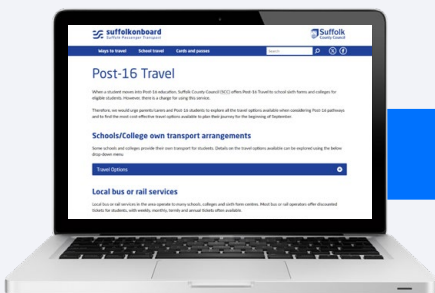


We have more information on our website:

[Suffolk SENDIASS - travel](#)

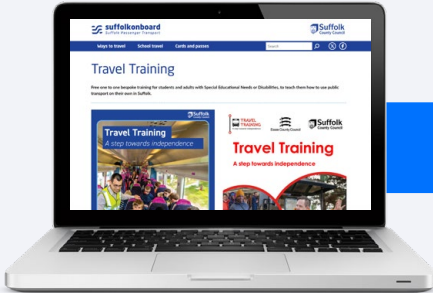


[Getting Around Suffolk - The Source](#)

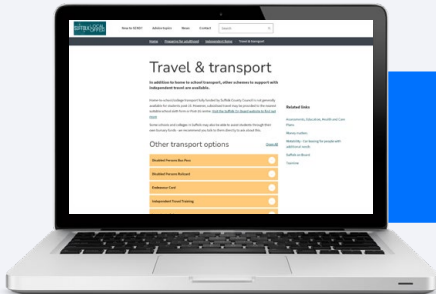


[Post-16 Travel - Suffolkonboard](#)





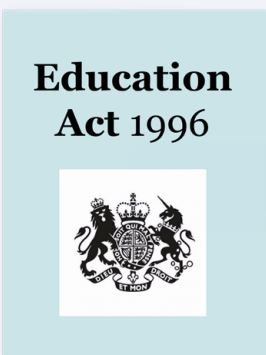
Travel Training - Suffolkonboard



Travel and transport - Suffolk SEND Local Offer



Transport to education and training for people aged 16 and over



Education Act 1996



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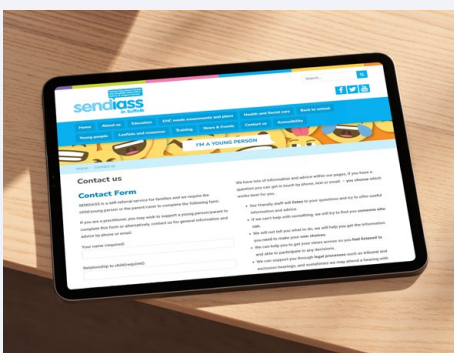
Section 8. How to get in contact with us



If you would like to apply for support with travel, you might want some help from SENDIASS.



We can also help if you are unhappy with the council's decision about your travel.



You can fill in a web form:

suffolksendiass.co.uk/contact-us



You can e-mail us:

enquiries@suffolksendiass.co.uk



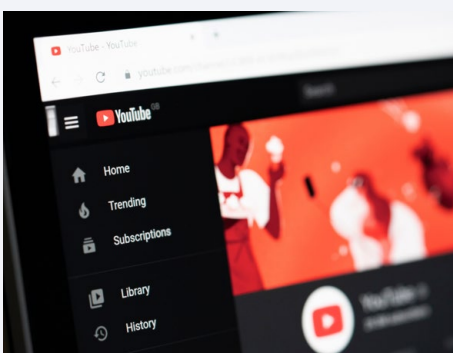
You can text us:

Text **ADVICE4ME** to **87007**



You can call us:

01473 265210



You can watch our videos on YouTube:

[@suffolksendiass7456](https://www.youtube.com/@suffolksendiass7456)



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