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| **360 Accessibility Audit**  **Section 15 – Children with additional needs** | |
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| Question | Comments and action |
| Have you thought about the experience that parents and families with children with additional needs might have as part of your church? |  |
| Do you have anyone who will offer support to parents who bring children with additional needs to your church? |  |
| Do you have any groups/initiatives for children with additional needs and their families? |  |
| Note: Visit [www.wave-for-change.org](http://www.wave-for-change.org) for a brilliant example of a project that brings children and young adults with additional needs together with family, friends and the local community. | |
| Are your children’s and young people’s groups open and equipped to welcome members with additional needs? |  |
| Is there sufficient staffing to offer 1-to-1 support if needed? |  |
| Are people trained and resources available to offer full participation to children with additional needs? |  |
| Are parents of children with additional needs reassured that they and their children are welcome and that their presence and contribution is appreciated and valued? |  |
| Do you talk to the parents of children with additional needs to find out how best to include their children in your groups, activities and services? |  |
| Do you have details of needs and how to deal with health emergencies or incidents? |  |
| Are your groups open and accessible to wheelchair users, children with sight loss and those who are Deaf or have hearing loss? |  |
| Do you include children with additional needs and other disabilities in other activities for children? (e.g. leading all-age services, serving, drama, outings, parties etc) |  |
| Do you have a church choir that includes children? If so, is this accessible to and do you include children with additional needs? |  |
| Do any youth or young adult groups you run welcome young people with additional needs and help them develop relationships and friendships? |  |
| Do you have a local Community College offering education and training to young people with additional needs and could you offer them chaplaincy support? |  |
| Note: These links will help you:  Urban Saints ‘Invited to belong’ – Training to make your youth and childrens ministry welcoming to young people with additional needs.  <https://www.energize.uk.net/articles/additional_needs/resources/invited_belong>  Count Everyone In – support, training and encouragement for churches to include adults with learning disabilities  [Home - Count Everyone In](https://www.counteveryonein.org.uk/)  The **Additional Needs Alliance** – helping churches to include, support, create places of belonging for, and spiritually grow children, young people and young adults with additional needs or disabilities. Support, training and information for families and churches to make inclusion a reality.  <https://additionalneedsalliance.org.uk> | |