

# National Autistic Society

## Cambridge Branch Mission Statement

The Cambridge Branch of the National Autistic Society provides support to individuals of all ages with autism and their families and carers, and campaigns for better local services for those living with autism in Cambridgeshire.

Our Aims:

- to give support and practical help to families, carers and people with an autism spectrum disorder by providing opportunities for social contact and mutual support
- provide general information on autism and on the services, benefits and other resources available to carers and people with Autism Spectrum Conditions from health, education and social care services, voluntary organisations and the private sector
- generate funds for branch activities and services, in accordance with statutory regulations
- campaign for adequate and high quality services, including improved services for diagnosis, assessment and care for people with Autism Spectrum Conditions and promote them
- increase public awareness by active work within the community, informed use of the media and by other means permitted by charity law
- recruit new members to the branch using Society membership literature and other relevant information
- to work with other relevant local Statutory and Voluntary Organisations

The Branch currently provides information and support online, by telephone and email, and through a range of groups and activities available to people on the autism spectrum and their families and carers.