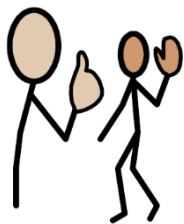


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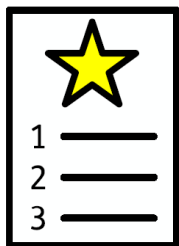


Introduction



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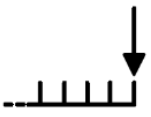
We would like to tell you about our strategy for children and young people with SEND in Hillingdon



This strategy tells you what we plan to make happen in Hillingdon



This is an easy read version of the strategy. It gives you an idea of our plans. But there is much more in the full strategy which you can find on our website.



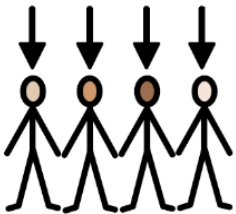
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About the strategy



This strategy has been written with the help of a lot of people, bringing their ideas and vision, together.

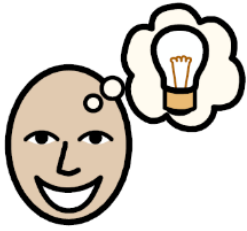
We have listened to what children and young people in Hillingdon have told us is important to them.



We will work with a lot of people to make things better for children and young people with SEND. This includes schools, health and social services.

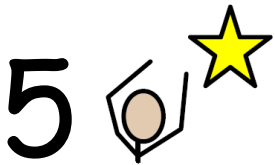
We also believe that our children and their families play a continuing, central role in helping us to shape this strategy.

Our Vision



"We want Hillingdon to be a place where children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities and their families lead happy and fulfilled lives from early years through adolescence to adulthood, in communities that accept and understand them."

Our Ambitions



There are 5 ambitions, or priorities, in the strategy. These explain what we plan to do over the coming years.

Ambition 1:

The right support, at the right time, in the right place

We will improve children's and parents' experience of the SEND system by delivering the right support in the right place at the right time



How will we achieve this?

- Looking at how we can support and identify your needs as soon as possible
- Creating a clear pathway, so we can support you efficiently and effectively
- Working together with other professionals to work out the best way to jointly provide our services to you
- Improving outcomes by working with schools to increase their knowledge about SEND and help them develop the skills they need to put the right support in place

Ambition 2:

Fully inclusive education for all

We will support all schools and settings in Hillingdon to be inclusive and welcome young people with SEND



How will we achieve this?

- Making schools and settings aware of how important Inclusion is, by encouraging them to work together to find the best way to support different abilities
- Developing effective guidance (Ordinarily Available Provision) which outlines how schools and settings should

be supporting ALL children to learn

- Working together to learn from others, training and keeping you at the heart of everything we do so that we can always learn and become better
- Using data and evidence to work with schools and settings to improve attendance and reduce exclusions

Ambition 3:

Provision meets the needs of Hillingdon's children and young people

We will deliver new, ambitious, and innovative provision that enables children and young people with SEND to receive excellent education in their local community



How will we achieve this?

- Looking at how we can increase the number of places in specialist schools/units
- Using skills from special school staff to create an external support system so that you get the right, high quality provision at the right time

Ambition 4:

Children and young people live happy and fulfilled lives where they are included in the community

We will help all children and young people to achieve independence, take part in activities they want to be part of, build good relationships and have meaningful outcomes in adulthood



How will we achieve this?

- Creating opportunities for you outside of school so that you can feel comfortable in the community around you, develop a new skill and socialise with others outside of school
- Supporting you when you need it so that when you are an adult, you can become as independent as possible
- Looking at how we can help you to stay in education or get jobs after you turn 16 and how we can support your mental health and wellbeing

Ambition 5:

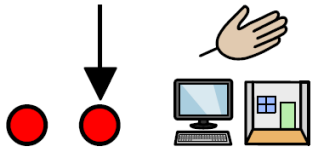
There is a flexible offer and range of interventions available for children to access Alternative Provision

We will create a three-tiered model for Alternative Provision that offers flexible interventions and supports children back into mainstream education, where possible

We will make sure that quality education is provided to all children, including those who need a different pathway or a different place to learn.

How will we achieve this?

- Supporting mainstream schools and settings to provide



inclusive education for all

- Reviewing the quality of support provided by 'Alternative Provisions', which provide education for children and young people who don't have a school to go to
- Working together to help the child or young person to return to mainstream education as soon as possible
- Providing alternative curriculums and assessment programs, where GCSEs are not appropriate

Conclusion



You are at the heart of everything we do, we want feedback on what's working well for you and what could be improved. We are always here to listen.

We hope you have enjoyed reading about our SEND strategy and plans.

You can find information relating to our strategy, and support on our local offer website.

[Local offer](#)