

SEND Written Statement of Action - Plan on a page

What we want to improve

Parental engagement and co-production, inclusive practice and outcomes, progress and attainment, the quality of EHCPs, joint commissioning and governance and service provision.

Our vision

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Services will work with families to improve outcomes and achievements for children and young people with SEND.

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Families can reach the right people at the right time to support their children.

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Children and young people with SEND in Kent feel happy, safe and supported while they learn and grow.

What we will do

We know we need to make big improvements. These will be supported by a multi-million pound investment across KCC and health and include but are not limited to the following:

▶ parental engagement and co-production

We will transform the way that we engage with parents and carers through the development of a new practice model based on openness, partnership and co-production, working with parent and carer forums.

▶ inclusive practice and outcomes

Our schools will support the inclusion of young people with SEND and drive better educational outcomes. We will work with them to better track young people's progress and be more explicit in our expectations of them.

▶ quality of EHCPs

We will make the EHCP process faster, better quality, more child focused and easier for parents to navigate and understand.

▶ joint commissioning and governance

We will improve the way that we commission services across KCC and health by better understanding the needs we are trying to address and develop joint commissioning of services in the future. The leadership of the local area around SEND will be strengthened and will work harder to make faster and better progress and to hold those responsible to account.

▶ service provision

Health will lead on a range of improvements focused on producing better services and reducing waiting times through a process of greater investment and service re-design. Services to young people with ASD or ADHD will benefit from a complete re-design.

How we will do it

The most senior managers will take personal responsibility through stronger governance.

We will work with parents in a spirit of genuine transparency, partnership and co-production.

We will put significant additional investment into working with children and young people with SEND.