

### Our SEND strategy priorities - we will:

- Support children at the earliest opportunity to access the intervention they need to achieve and thrive.
- Wherever possible, meet the provision needs of Haringey's children and young people in Haringey.
- Deliver a Local Offer to children and families that allows them choice and access to services that meet their needs.
- Actively seek opportunities to work with our children, young people and families in a model of co-production
- Prepare our children for their adult lives and support their transition.
- Parents and Carers say they can see progress but still have more work to do.
- While the quality and timeliness of new EHCPs have improved significantly since 2021, ongoing annual review recovery addresses the quality of previous plans and improves multi-agency.

### Key facts and figures

- 2,801 children have an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP).
- 29% females; 71% males
- 4% of children with EHCPs are pre-school age; 35% are at primary school; 33% are at secondary school; 21% are 16-19 and 7% between 20-25.
- Disproportionately children from Black Caribbean and African families compared to the school population
- 45.7% of assessments and plans for children who are autistic
- 17% of children with speech, language, and communications as a primary need
- Seeing increasing assessments and plans for children with social, emotional, and mental health needs
- 61% of children with a plan are in mainstream settings

## Outcomes for children and young people (what we know, what we are proud of and what we still need to do)

### Needs are identified accurately and assessed promptly and effectively; receive the right help at the right time.

- 95% of schools are good, outstanding and inclusive – children with SEN are more likely to be in mainstream education (ranked 22/150)
- Education outcomes for children with SEN are excellent – KS1-KS4, we are ranked in the top 20 for schools.
- 81% of young people with SEN post 16 are in EET (13/32 in London)
- 35% of pupils in alternative provision reintegrate into mainstream or other specialist settings and consistently achieve significantly above the national averages for alternative provision
- 96% of EHCPs in 20 weeks (Sept)
- 60% of annual reviews completed (last 12 months)
- Autism assessment waiting times improved from 70 to 50 weeks.
- Speech and language therapy waiting times are between 13 and 14 weeks.
- Most children referred to occupational therapy are seen within 12 weeks.
- Established Transitions Panel supports and plans for young people transitioning from children's to adult social care.
- We have a rising demand for autism assessments – the number of children referred has doubled since the last inspection from 320 waiting to 652

### Participate in decision-making about individual plans and support; valued, visible, and included in their communities.

- We significantly improved coproduction with children and their families and held a Voices Day in March 2023 to inform our coproduction.
- Send Power, our parent carer forum, is a key strategic partner on our Board and operational groups, shaping what we do.
- 63% of families engaged in coproduction for their statutory assessment
- Over half of young people (58%) chose to be involved in co-producing their Annual review.
- We launched our Elevated Youth Panel in Mary 2023 with 20 members aged 11-24.
- Elevated Youth are visible and included in communities and participated in a project promoting Wood Green and Haringey Feast, evaluating local activities for SEND accessibility and attended an event with the NCL Integrated Care Board.
- Co-produced with the Parent Carer Forum all letters and advice from autism assessment providers
- Over 400 children receive a personal budget, and 325 receive a direct payment to select provisions to meet their needs.

### Key priorities for the next 12 months

- Continue to improve autism assessment waiting times and timeliness to access other therapies.
- Implement our new universal and targeted Speech and language communications pathways.
- Develop our Joint Transitions Team and improve transition pathways for young people requiring support from adult social care.
- We refreshed our joint strategic needs assessment for SEND to inform our priorities and planning.
- Embed support for SEND within our Family Hubs model.
- Deliver the capital programme for 118 new school places.
- Strengthen our short breaks offer to include an overnight residential respite.
- An excellent Local Offer is in place, with progress made on our Preparation for adulthood action plan.
- Updated RAS Form in Jan 2024.

## Leadership, governance & accountability (What we know, what we are proud of and what we still need to do)

### Ambitious for children and young people; an accurate, shared understanding of the needs of children in their local area

- We have outstanding commitment and engagement from partners, parents, and carers across the SEND system, with effective governance arrangements that influence strategic decision-making and service delivery.
- We have an ambitious Safety Valve (SV) programme to deliver better outcomes for children and young people across 18 projects.
- Increased capacity of the designated clinical officer

### Commission services to meet the needs and aspirations of children, including alternative provision; evaluate and make improvements

- An effective dynamic support register in place reduces the risk of breakdowns and hospital admissions.
- Significant additional investment in the SEND Statutory assessment team, Educational Psychology, additional capacity for autism assessments
- EHCPs routinely quality assured and show improved quality of advice from health and social care partners (over 80%)
- Access to good impartial advice and support through SENDIASS commissioned
- Markfield to support children/families waiting for an autism diagnosis (or those recently diagnosed)

### Key priorities for the next 12 months

- Implement all 18 SV projects successfully
- Continue to improve health and social care advice in EHC plans
- Explore introducing parent carer representation at all decision-making panels.
- Strengthen our commissioning arrangements with a key focus on enhancing and evidencing outcomes.