

Engagement Matters

July to September 2021

Education, Health and Care Services are working together to improve our support across Bromley for children and young people who have Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND) and their families.

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Influencing 'Bromley the Place'

We have asked service users who require specialist toileting facilities and their families, where they would most like to see a new **Changing Places** toilet locally and what difference it would make. These views have informed our **Expression of Interest** which we have submitted to the government for funding to build more (registered) **Changing Places** facilities in the borough.



We have worked with our partners to deliver the Covid vaccination programme, including developing pop-up clinics at **Riverside School, Marjorie McClure School** and the **Phoenix Centre**.



We have published **Frequently Asked Questions** and co-produced reasonable adjustments guides for **Health Care Practitioners** and parent carers to make the COVID-19 vaccination experience as positive as possible for children and young people and their families.

All-Age Autism Strategy for Bromley

We have held engagement sessions with young people and adults with autism and their parents/carers to tell us their views to inform the **All-Age Autism Strategy** for Bromley.

Education Provision Plan

Through the **SEND Governance Board**, we are developing an **Education Provision Plan** which will identify the demand for and type of specialist provision needed across the borough. We will involve parent carers in this review.



Therapy Review

We have held engagement sessions with parents and carers following the **Speech and Language Therapy Review** report undertaken by **Better Communications Limited**. This feedback will help to shape and design the joint **Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN)** strategy and therapy offer.



Embracing Diversity

Through the **Embracing Diversity Project**, we are listening to SEND families from ethnic minority communities in Bromley. We are working with parents for a wider understanding of cultural differences so that we can better engage and tailor our support.

Employment Opportunity Challenge

We have launched our Increasing Employment Opportunities 100 day challenge which seeks to develop more employment opportunities for young people and adults with disabilities in Bromley.



0-25 Transformation project

We have held engagement sessions with parent carers to understand how we can improve the pathway for preparing for adulthood from age 14.

Through our **Quality Assurance** work, we are creating new resources for parent carers and young people to support them to contribute to the annual review and statutory assessment process.

We held a **Transition Day** to inform and empower young people and their parents and carers. We have published new pages from **Transition through Education** on the **Local Offer** website.

We have created a new post. The SEND Information Officer joined the **SEN Advisory team** to provide information and advice to young people and their families regarding preparation for adulthood.

Annual Review Project

We are introducing Parent Information sessions each term to help parents to understand the Annual Review process and how they and their child can get involved.



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