Headteachers Briefing 11/11/21

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Number of requests for EHCPs

	Q2 20/21	Q2 21/22	Change
Plans requested	95	137	44%
Resulting number of Proposed EHCP	62	97	56%

Oct 19 – Sep 20	Oct 20 – Sep 21	Change
441	509	15%
247	315	28%

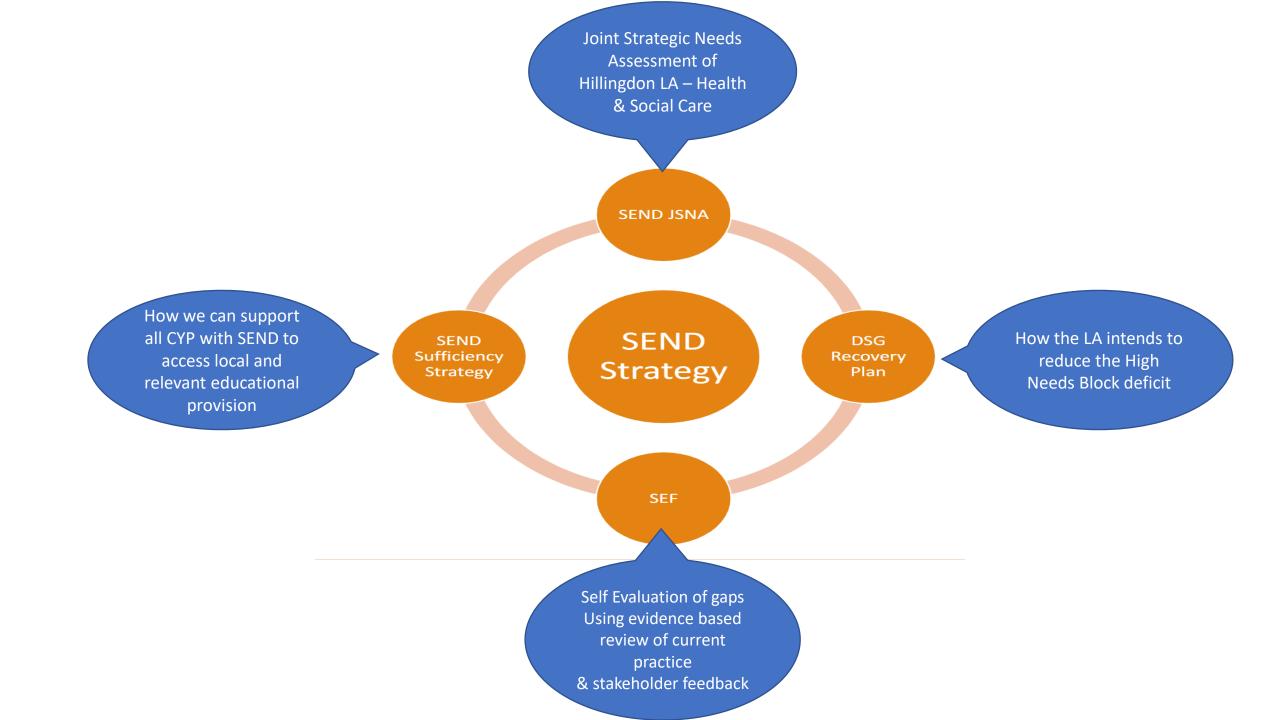
Increase in complex needs and pressure on specialist placements

20 Week Performance EHCPs

	Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21
Plans requested	47	41	70	46	68	23
	30	19	51	38	46	13
Resulting no. of Proposed EHCP						
	10	16	26	32	37	30
No. of EHCP prepared within 20 Weeks						
No. of EHCP not prepared within	2	4	4	0	0	5
20 weeks						
% of EHCPs prepared within 20 Weeks	83.3	80.0	86.7	100.0	100.0	83.0
(%)						

Last Year 20 week prep rate: 23%

- 83% in Q1 to 94% completion in Q2strong oversight from managers
- successful recruitment of a permanent team.
- Statutory advice from partners is being closely monitored and provided within the 6-week timeframe



July – August 2021	First draft of strategy developed
September – October 2021	i) Agree to publish updated position statement whilst new strategy is being developed
	ii) SEND Strategic Partnership Board members to have first sight of draft, provide initial feedback at extra-ordinary SEND Partnership Board and confirm feedback through survey by Friday 24 th September 2021
	iii) Approval to commence with next steps (i.e capture stakeholder feedback)
	Capture stakeholder feedback through means agreed by SEND Strategic Partnership Board members
	WB: 27th September and 4 th October
	Updated strategy to be shared with SEND Strategic Partnership Board (by 14 th October) and other key strategic groups including Strategic Schools Partnership Board (SSPB) and Hillingdon Health and Care Partnership (HHCP) Children and Young People's Transformation Board
November 2021	To be published on the Local Offer for wider consultation and feedback
December 2021	Political and appropriate Health sign off
January 2022	SEND Strategy Launched

Refresh of SEND Strategy

SEND Sufficiency Strategy

Work is underway to develop the SEND Sufficiency Strategy (previously Additional Needs Strategy).

Development of more local specialist SEND Places to reduce the reliance on high-cost, independent placements

Hillingdon's SEND Sufficiency Strategy to improve and develop specialist local provision will include:

- Expanding existing specialist settings
- Developing specialist satellite provision, making best use of the existing school estate in the borough
- Supporting two Academy Trust expand on places with two Free Schools within the Borough Sept 24
- Developing and expanding on Specialist Resource Provision (SRP) at both primary and secondary phase
- Developing Early Years assessment base provision

DSG Recovery Planning – Safety Valve Agreement update

The London Borough of Hillingdon are in discussions with the Department for Education (DfE) to enter 'Safety Valve' Agreement discussions with the DfE, to reach a positive in-year balance on its Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG). As part of these discussions, the DfE want assurances that the local authority can get to an in-year balanced position within the next five years (2026-2027)

If a deal can be agreed, the DfE will agree to write off the local authority's cumulative overspend whilst the local authority and DfE will agree to ongoing monitoring of its performance in fulfilling this agreement.

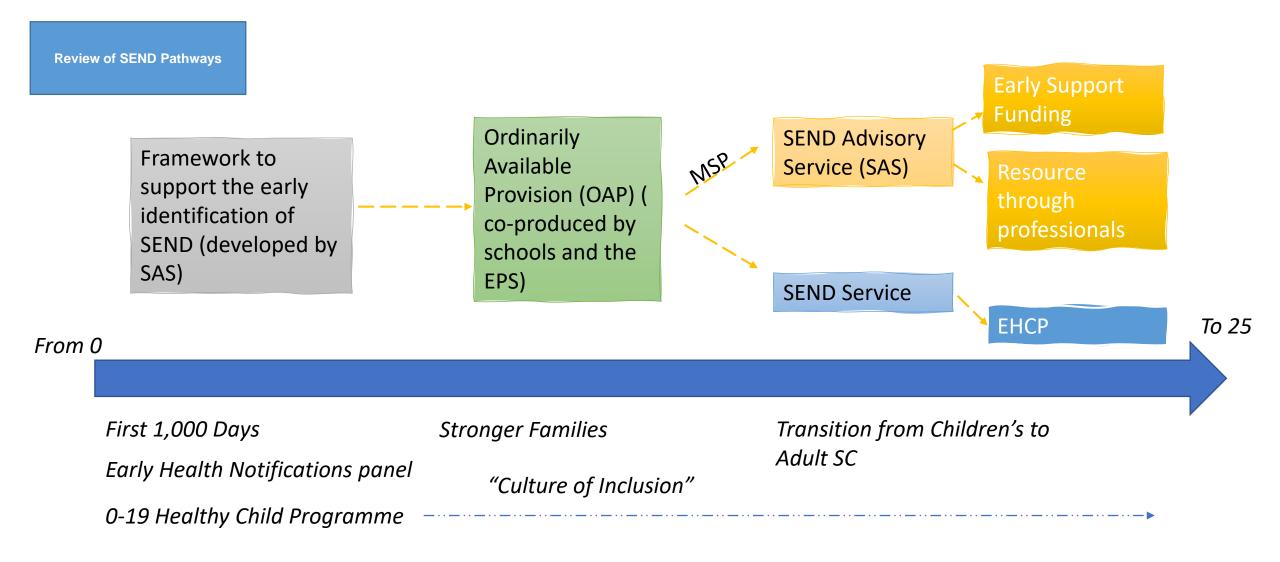
Work in progress

- Several meetings with all relevant SEND & inclusion officers
- Financial modelling from finance partners
- Meetings with DfE
- Proposal submission deadline 22nd November 2021



Through these discussions via the DSG recovery plan, the local authority has cited the following areas to improve it's in year position.

- Spending review review of all areas of spend within all blocks of the DSG
- Support schools in Hillingdon to meet a high level of need whilst maintaining quality of provision through the SEND Advisory Service
- Review of health contributions to High Needs placements
- Review of Annual Reviews to ensure pupils are accessing the appropriate funding and provision
- SEND pathway development of a pre-statutory pathway of support for children and young people with SEND

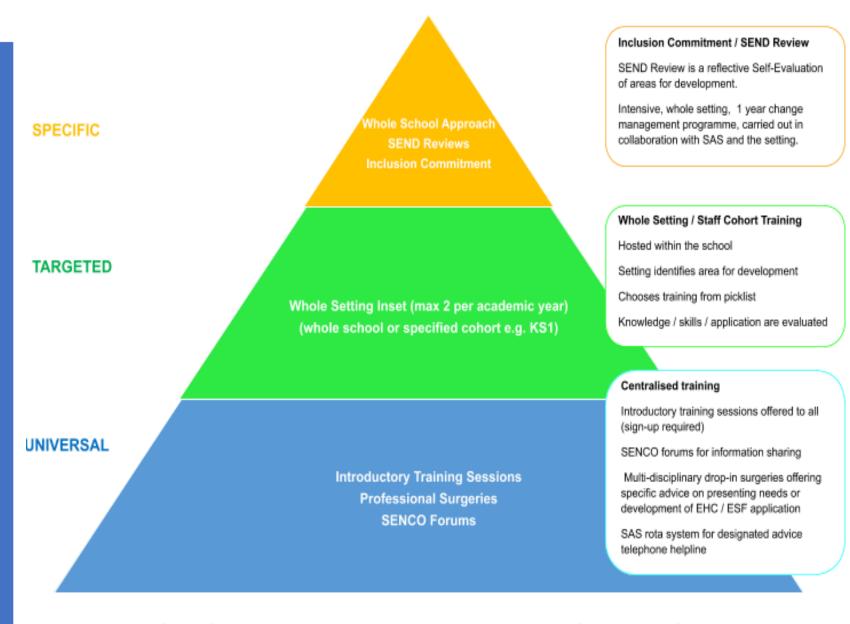


Supporting mainstream schools to build upon successes, identify areas of development in regards to the level of inclusivity across both phases of education

The SAS 2021/22 training offer consists of 3 levels of training as illustrated in the triangle.

This guide displays UNIVERSAL and TARGETED training courses.

Our specific, holistic and complete programme of training is the Inclusion Commitment, a 1 year programme offered by SAS.



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