



B&NES SEND Education Strategy 2018 -2021 - Parent Summary

Local authority services

- We will continue to improve the timeliness of EHCP's – The council now completes all of its plans within 20 weeks 93% of the time
- The local authority will promote and deliver more independent SEND travel options for parents and young people
- The local authority will introduce a graduated approach to SEND in all schools and settings

Teaching & practice

- All schools will have a clear graduated approach to SEND that parents and carers can view
- The local authority will make arrangements to visit schools to support improvements in support for children with SEND
- The local authority will work with schools and settings to improve the progress and attainment of children with SEND

Commissioning services

- The local authority will increase the capacity for commissioning services for children with SEND
- We will consult on how we can best support children with autism in our schools and re-commission a new support service
- We will review the support for children with social and emotional mental health needs (SEMH) and re-commission our services
- We will continue to deliver and re-design our shared support service for children with sensory support needs

SEND school places

- We will increase the number of special school places for children with SEMH
- We will create more post 16 college places for young people with SEND that deliver better training and employment opportunities
- We will support mainstream schools to develop resource bases for children with SEND
- We will look to create new specialist special school places for children with complex SEND needs