

SEND Strategic Partnership Board – 8th June 2023

Date and Time: 08/06/2023 at 9:30am-13:30pm

Location: The Deanery CE Academy

Topics Covered:

- Update on the work of the SEND Executive Board: Swindon has been identified by the Department for Education as a regional expert for SEND.
- SEND Performance Scorecards: Health performance data and SEND Service performance data.
- Update on TAMHS Commissioning: New service in place from 1st October 2023, cannot name the winner of the contract at this point.
- Out of Borough Visits: Auditing shows we are doing this well, but there is room for improvement with communication.
- Delivering Better Value (DBV) Update: Key themes identified include gaps in the provision available, quality and quantity of EHCP information and parental confidence in mainstream schools.
- Alternative Provision (AP) Workshops Update: Between 70-80% of children and young people in alternative provision may have unidentified SEND.
- SIAS Performance Update: Lack of capacity means key work is not taking place, such as directly supporting children and young people.
- Designated Clinical Officer's (DCO) Update: Will be delivering training to specialist nurses to raise awareness and understanding of SEND.
- SENDCO Champions Update: Going well and meeting regularly with the support of the Principal Educational Psychologist and the Deputy Principal Educational Psychologist.
- Conference for SEND Leaders: Theme of the conference is mental health and resilience.

Decisions Made:

- No decisions recorded for this board.

Areas of Achievement:

- Colleagues in Educational Psychology have worked with the SENDCO network over the past year to ensure this group is consistently meeting and productive. The SENDCO Network are a group of SENDCOs who represent the role within Swindon.

Areas of Improvement:

- Neurodevelopmental Conditions Pathway wait time is still around 3 years long. This is to be brought back to the ICA as a priority moving forward.