

## SEND Strategic Partnership Board – 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022

**Date and Time:** 08/09/2022 at 9:00am-13:00pm

**Location:** New College Swindon

### **Topics Covered:**

- STEP (Swindon): Overview of recently completed work, and upcoming projects.
- SEND Performance Scorecards: Health performance data and SEND Service performance data.
- Out of Borough Visits: Update on upcoming visits scheduled.
- Speech and Language Therapy Accelerated Progress Plan: Currently in progress.
- Tribunals and Ombudsman Complaints Report: Historical increase in the number of appeals being requested against the SEND Service.
- SENDi & AP Strategy: Public consultation to begin soon on what the priorities should be.
- Attendance Campaign: Raise awareness of the potential impact of low attendance on life outcomes.
- Local Area Workforce Development Strategy and Plans: Co-production events have been scheduled to determine goals, outcomes and performance indicators.
- SENDi Priority 1: A review of the short breaks offer is currently ongoing.
- SENDi Priority 2: Children and Young People Participation Strategy.
- SENDi Priority 3: Paediatric Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy to work together.
- SENDi Priority 4: Ongoing work on high levels of mediations and Tribunals in Swindon.
- SENDi Priority 5: It has been determined that Adult Social Care Services are responsible for completing Care act Assessments.
- SENDi Priority 6: Capacity continues to be an issue, affecting completion of work under this priority.

### **Decisions Made:**

- Children and Young People Participation Strategy to be embedded as part of the work for Priority 2.
- Paediatric Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy are to launch an e-based flexible joints programme.

### **Areas of Achievement:**

- Great progress with Phase Transfers (securing placements for students moving from primary to secondary school / secondary to post-16 education).
- Swindon SEND Families Voice were praised for their involvement.

### **Areas of Improvement:**

- 2 items not presented due to running out of time:
  - SEND Performance and Quality Assurance Report.
  - Task and Finish Group on the Number of EHCPs in Swindon.