

# SEND Strategy

Summary of responses to consultation

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Haringey Council



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### 1. Executive Summary

1.1 This report brings together Haringey Council's consultation findings on the proposed changes to the SEND Strategy 2021 together with recommendations.

1.2 We published our draft Haringey SEND Strategy for public consultation to further develop the SEND offer in Haringey over the next 3 years. The consultation ran from 20 September 2021 until 7 November 2021.

1.3 The consultation was far reaching with views sought from parents, carers, young people and other agencies and stakeholders all of whom offered important views and feedback. Thank you to everyone that took part in the consultation, your feedback has been incorporated into the final strategy and action plan.

### 2. Methodology

2.1 The target cohort for the consultation were parents, carers and young people with special education needs and/or disability and professionals supporting children, young people and their families, particularly those from the education, health and care sector.

#### Distribution and Communications

2.2 A series of communication and publicity activities also took place including:

- Promotion of the consultation within the SEND newsletter
- Promotion of the consultation within Haringey Council's website and Local Offer pages
- Promotion of the consultation with our partners to ensure wider circulation and reach for families eg) through school and voluntary sector networks
- Single message posts on Haringey's Council social media accounts
- Forum style discussions with a range of partners through governance boards

### 3. Questionnaire: online survey questions

3.1 A set of questions were asked with space for comments after each one as follows:

- To help us get a good idea of who is completing this questionnaire, please indicate in what capacity you are responding.
- Do you agree with our Priorities?
- Which of these would be the most important priority for you or the child or young person you care for?
- Is there anything you feel we have missed, or could improve on?
- Do you think we should adopt the SEND Strategy?

3.2 We received responses from **96** individuals.

### 4. Our Priorities

Priority 1: We will support children at the earliest opportunity to access the intervention they need to achieve and thrive.

Priority 2: Wherever possible we will meet the needs of Haringey's children in Haringey.

Priority 3: We will deliver a local offer to children and families that allows them choice and access to services that meet their needs.

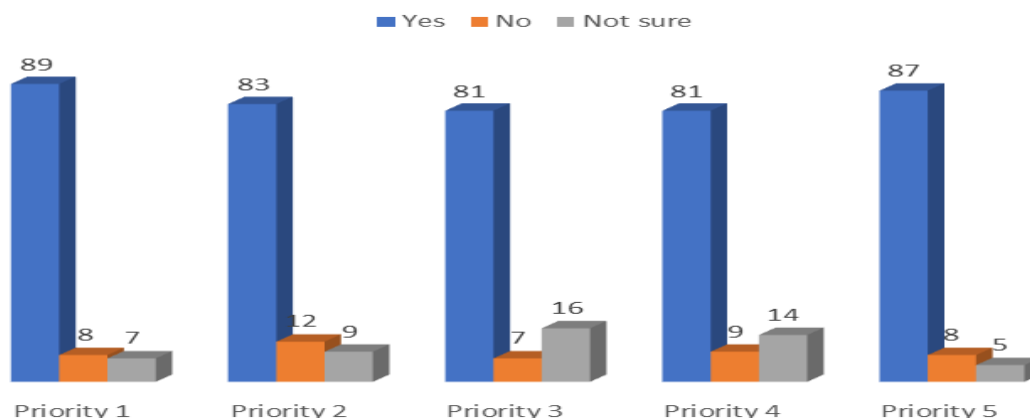
Priority 4: We will actively seek opportunities to work with our children, young people and families in a model of co-production.

Priority 5: We will prepare our children for their adult lives and support their transition.

### 5. Summary of responses

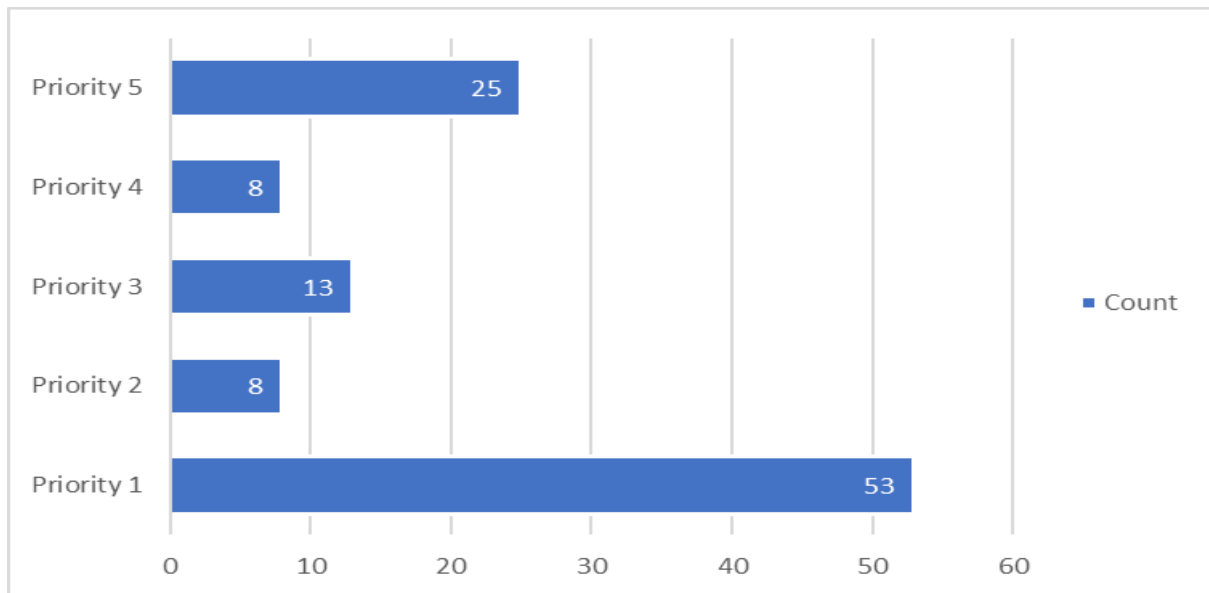
5.1 The key questions and findings are as follows:

Do you agree with our priorities?



Do you agree with our priorities?		
Priority 1	Yes	89
	No	8
	Not sure	7
Priority 2	Yes	83
	No	12
	Not sure	9
Priority 3	Yes	81
	No	7
	Not sure	16
Priority 4	Yes	81
	No	9
	Not sure	14
Priority 5	Yes	87
	No	8
	Not sure	5

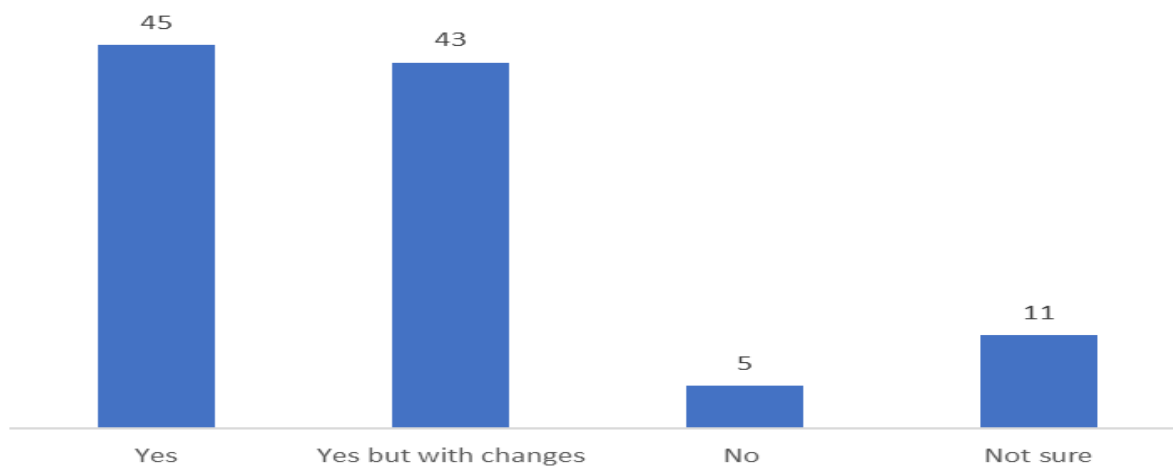
Which of these would be the most important priority for you or the child or young person you care for?



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Priority 1	53
Priority 2	8
Priority 3	13

Priority 4	8
Priority 5	25

Do you think we should adopt the SEND Strategy?



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Yes	45
Yes, but with changes	43
No	5
Not sure	11

5.2 There were 96 respondents representing a mixture of parents, practitioners, organisations and one young person.

5.3 Respondents agreed with the priorities and identified Priority 1 as the most important for them or the young person they were working with. Much of the feedback contained concerns that whilst these were the right priorities there was a lack of confidence expressed in the ability of the council to realise these ambitions and amendments to the strategy were suggested including emphasising the importance of communication with families and school and the importance of having a realistic budget to support intentions.

5.4 Following this consultation period, the draft strategy was amended to incorporate further views, including increased measures around impact and accountability and to incorporate the actions necessary to address the Ofsted and CQC Inspection findings from the area inspection of SEND services in July 2021.

5.5 The strategy and accompanying plan have been amended to ensure that the strategy achieves both systemic change and addresses the areas for immediate remedial actioned as identified by the inspection findings.