

Haringey Safety Valve Programme Stakeholder Progress Report – May 2025



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Summary of Safety Valve Projects

Demand management	Commissioning / Capital	Culture, Governance and Leadership
A.1 SLT	B1.1 Primary ASC capital	C.1 Core standards
A.2 Autism	B1.2 Secondary and post 16 ASC capital	C.2 Culture change
A.3 SEMH pathway	B.3 Complex needs capital	C.3 Process mapping
A.4 Thresholds and Annual Reviews	B.4 Alternative Provision (oversight)	C.4 WFD
A.5 SEND Supported Internships	B.2 and B.5 Placements (including post 16)	
A.6 Early Years	B.6 Bandings and Top Ups	

[Overview of Safety Valve Programme](#) and [Haringey Safety Valve Project Summaries](#)

Summary Report for May 2025

The aim of these projects is to improve outcomes for children and young people with SEND and through the implementation of an early intervention and graduated approach which will reduce the number of EHCPs to be in line with London and National averages.

Main points of progress:

- **A1: Speech, Language and Communication Graduated Response:** Further embedding of the SLCN pathway to ensure a consistent approach in all settings is continuing.
- **A2: Increase capacity in mainstream schools to meet needs of children with Autism:** Children are continuing to be supported with intervention. The Project is business as usual.
- **A3: Increase capacity in mainstream schools to meet needs of children on SEMH:** The pathway to support children with Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs has been established and has been operating since September in schools. You can refer to it here: [Social, Emotional Mental Health \(SEMH\) Guidance for Schools](#)
- **A4: Thresholds and Annual Reviews (AR) of EHCPs:** In this area we are increasing capacity as new staff joined in April. This will allow us to drive up our current completion rate and improve timeliness of annual reviews. We have continued to effectively complete 55% of annual reviews this has not changed in the last two months.
- **A5: Review of Post 16 offer:** Employer engagement continues to be a focus, following National supported Internship day in March an event happened to raise awareness of the internship programme. This resulted in 3 departments offering internships from September 2025. We have 45 interns engaged in the programme. From Sept, over 120 internships available from 8 employers with 40 courses: [send-supported-internship-brochure-2025-v5-compressed.pdf](#)
- **A6: Early Years Funding Review:** The introduction of the Early Years Inclusion Fund is continuing to work well, providing funded support for children aged under 5 without an EHCP. We intend to track the progress of these children for two years.
- **B2 and B.5: Commissioning and Brokerage:** Haringey is committed to providing its pupils with commissioned services that are tailored to their specific needs, represent excellent value for money, and are focused on delivering positive results. This commitment is being realised through a continuous process of redesigning commissioning frameworks and contractual arrangements to ensure an adequate supply of appropriate services within the borough, enabling students to stay close to their homes and communities.
- **B.4 Alternative Provision:** HLP post 16 provision has been extended until Aug 25 to enable provision to be developed. From Sept 25, HLP will return to being a PRU. The team are currently in the process of the procurement of services for this. The new service is to begin delivery in September 2025.
- **B.6 Bandings and Top Ups:** Our new bandings model is in place from this academic year ensuring we have an equitable funding system for children to be supported wherever they choose to learn. This will be reviewed Jan 2026.
- **B.8 Transfer from Schools Block:** Secretary of state approved the 0.5% transfer from Schools Block to High Needs Block

Strategic Overview: Safety Valve Capital Update

- **Earlsmead Project RP (ASC) (B1.1)** - delivered one year ahead of schedule with 3 children attending provision, **3/4** additional pupils are expected to be phased into the provision during this financial year, bringing the total number of pupils to **6**. The provision is on track to reach full capacity with **15** pupils by FY 2028/29.
- **Riverside (Complex needs expansion) (B3.1)** - The Riverside project was also delivered a year early, and all pupils have now been successfully phased in.
- **The Brook(Complex needs expansion) (B3.2)** – The Brook project is due for completion by September 25 and has a planned intake of **10** pupils for this financial year, with a further **8** pupils expected to be admitted in 2027/28. There may be a delay of one month due to scheduled capital works, mitigation in place to ensure children can still start in Sept within an alternative temporary space.
- **Alexandra Primary Project RP (SEMH) (B7.1)** - The Alexandra Primary project is due for completion by September 2025. There may be a delay of one month due to scheduled capital works, mitigation in place to ensure children can still start in Sept within an alternative temporary space.
- **Fortismere Project RP (ASC) (B1.2)** - The Fortismere project remains in the exploratory phase with the school. It is now scheduled to go live by September 2026..
- **Park View Project RP (SEMH) (B7.2)** - The Park View provision is also expected to be completed by September 2026.



Total number of Placements: 126

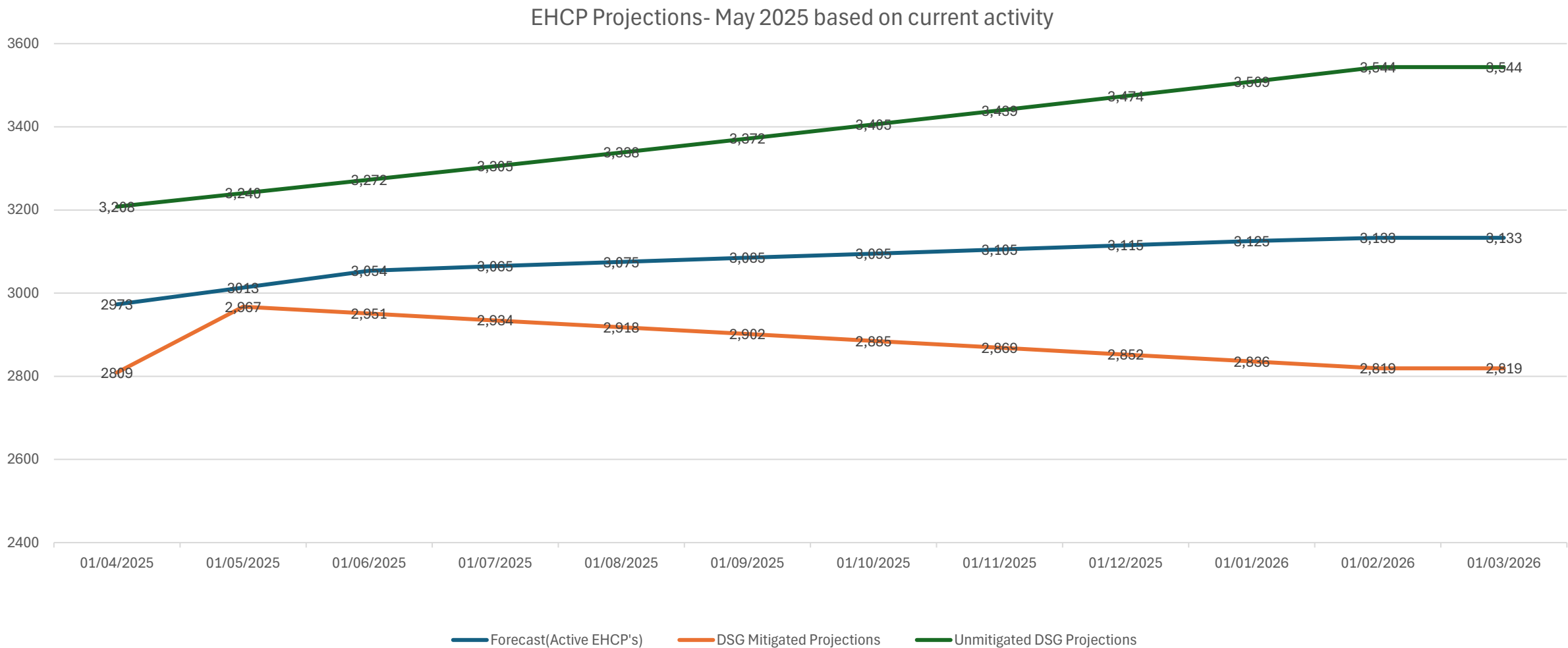
Safety Valve Measure- Forecast EHCP's to 27th May 2025

The Graph compares the number of active EHCP against the Safety valve target and the unmitigated estimated number of plans: The current number of Plans as at 27th May 2025 is 3,013.

The Green line: This shows the estimated increase in EHCP (unmitigated) if no intervention was made at 31st March 26 would have been 3,544 plan.

The Blue line: As of March 2026, Haringey Estimated on Actual EHCP is 3,133.

The Orange: This shows the revised target for EHCP of 2,911.



Safety Valve Programme Targets and Delivery to Date as at 270525

Safety Valve Programme Targets		2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	Total	
		In Year Forecast £000	Revised Forecast '£000	Revised Forecast '£000	Revised Forecast '£000	Revised Total '£000	
Green- Savings or above delivered	A1. Review Therapeutic Support for Speech & Language Communication	-133	-158	-167	-176	-633	
	A2. Increase Capacity of mainstream schools to meet the needs of children with Autism	245	£307	£436	£694	1,682	
	A3. Increase Capacity of mainstream schools to meet the needs of children with SEMH	0	168	288	400	856	
Amber - Partial delivery of savings	A4: Threshold and Annual Reviews of EHCP	774	£1,280	£1,648	£1,275	4,977	
	A5. Increase Supported Internships for young people with EHCP's	0	541	1,024	1,789	3,354	
	A6. Early Years Funding Review	286	£655	£875	1055	2,871	
Blue- Early Delivery/ of savings	Total Demand management Reviewed	1,173	2,793	4,104	5,037	13,107	
	B1.1 Develop primary and ASC Resource Units in mainstream schools.	-17	180	145	266	575	
	B1.2 Develop secondary and ASC Resource Units in mainstream schools.	0	0	850	1,353	2,203	
	B2: Ensure cost-effective commissioning & brokerage of services	403	348	643	1,118	2,512	
	B3. Complex needs	382	732	498	539	2,151	
	B4. Review of Alternative provision and funding model	349	349	349	349	1,396	
	B5. Commissioning post 16 learners	123	197	830	920	2,070	
	B.6 Remodel financial support\top ups to mainstream schools.	400	-516	-437	-521	-1,075	
	B.7.1 Develop primary resource SEMH Resource Units in mainstream schools	0	-42	459	467	884	
	B.7.2 Develop secondary resource SEMH Resource Units in mainstream schools	0	0	690	1,098	1,788	
	B.8. School Block Transfer to High Needs Block	1,129	1,167	1,167	1,167	4,630	
	Total Commissioning Reviewed	2,769	2,415	5,194	6,756	17,134	
	SV Programme Total	3,942	5,208	9,298	11,793	30,241	
	Original Plans	-133	8,559	13,759	20,518	51,263	
	Impact of Early Delivery(+Surplus)/(-Defict)	185	-3,351	-4,461	-8,725	-21,022	
	Please Note: Where a Green, Amber and Dark blue colour has not been entered, these schemes are still being worked on to achieve the target set.						

Stakeholder and Comms Engagement

The latest updates on key milestone events and timelines regarding the Safety Valve programme can be accessed on the [Safety Valve Programme webpage](#).

May 2025

- Special Schools Headteachers Meeting 9 May
- SEND Executive Board 13 May

Upcoming June 2025

- Special Schools Headteachers Meeting 6 June
- DFE/NHSE Annual Engagement Meeting 11 June
- Safety Vave Sprint Session 12 June
- Safety Valve Steering Group 2



Ways to get involved and learn more about the programme



- [Overview of the Safety Valve Programme which supports children and young people with SEND in Haringey](#)
- [Monthly Highlight reports published on Local Offer](#)
- [Sign up to our SEND newsletter for regular updates](#)
- [Give us your feedback by emailing: sendcomms@haringey.gov.uk](#)
- [Join SEND Power, your local parent carer forum](#)
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