Barnet Children's Partnership Board Report

Title:	Draft SEND and Inclusion Strategy 2021 to 2024
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1. Summary

We are committed to ensuring that Barnet is the most family friendly borough in London. To assist us in achieving this we are focussed on building resilience in children, families and schools. The global pandemic of COVID19 has had a profound impact on schools and learning. We need to ensure that any lessons learnt are embedded into our strategies

The draft SEND and Inclusion Strategy sets out the priorities for ensuring that children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities continue to benefit from an excellent, high quality education offer. The strategy for 2021-24 will replace the previous strategy which was for 2017-20.

2. Consultation and Engagement

Key priorities for this strategy were considered by the SEND Partnership Board in September and presented to all headteachers at the Director's Meeting in October. This draft of the strategy will be shared with the Parent-Carer Forum, health and social care services and with all schools, for comment. Following the Children's Partnership Board on 9th November, a revised draft will be prepared for the Children, Education and Safeguarding Committee meeting on 30th November. There will then be consultation with stakeholders during December and the strategy will be finalised and published in January 2021.

3. Conclusion and Recommendations

The Children's Partnership Board are asked to note and comment on the draft strategy.