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SEND reform in West Sussex

The Government has introduced a programme of SEND reform to improve how children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) are supported.

The aim is to ensure children and families can access the right support, at the right time, from the right professionals.

As part of this work, local authorities have been asked to develop new ways of providing earlier support and greater specialist expertise within mainstream education settings.

Introducing Locality Inclusion Networks (LINs)

West Sussex is developing Locality Inclusion Networks (LINs) to help deliver this vision.

LINs will bring together specialist professionals and existing support services to provide coordinated advice and support for schools, settings and families. There will be eight LIN areas across West Sussex, each led by a dedicated co-ordinator.

Specialists may include:

- Educational psychologists
- Specialist teachers
- Occupational therapists
- Speech and language therapists

Our goal

To help ensure children and young people with SEND receive the right support, at the right time, closer to where they live.



Help shape the future of LINs

We want families to play a key role in shaping how Locality Inclusion Networks develop across West Sussex.

Your views will help us understand:

- What good support looks and feels like
- How families would like to be involved
- What builds trust and confidence in services
- What support families need most

Have your say

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