

Shropshire SEND Strategy

A plan for children
and young people
with extra support needs
or Disabilities.
EASY READ



A plan for 5 years



These are our plans for the **education** of children and young people with **special educational needs or disabilities** called **SEND**. The plans are for Shropshire from 2020-2025



Education is about going to school and learning.

Special educational needs is when a child or young person needs some extra help to learn.



Shropshire says:

SEND, our priority, everybody's business

This means:

We want children and young people who have extra support needs or disabilities to be healthy, happy and safe.

We want them to be able to lead a good life.

We want them to have the same opportunities in life as other children and young people who don't have extra needs.



We means everybody who works to support children and young people to reach their goals and dreams.

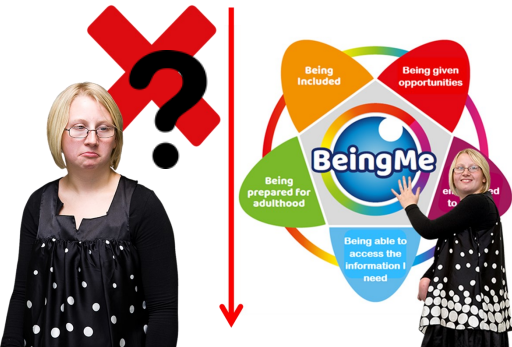


Making this happen

To make this happen we need to:



- Listen to children and young people with extra support needs or disabilities and their families to understand what a good life would look like for them.



- Understand what stops children and young people being able to lead a good life and reach their goals and dreams.



- Work together with children and young people and their families when making decisions about support services.

Making this happen



- Help people who support children and young people and their families to understand that with the right opportunities they can reach their goals and dreams.



- Encourage interesting and new ways of working together.



- Make sure children and young people can have a choice of good quality services that supports them as long as they need.



How we made this plan

We worked together with children and young people, their families and the people that support them by listening to what is important to them.

Children and young people said a **Dream Life** means...

Skills for jobs

Better health

Freedom to choose options

To be independent

To be part of a community

Being listened to!

To have good friends

Own my own house



Working together to make our plan happen



- Together with children and young people, their families and the people that support them we made a 5 year strategy we are calling a **plan**.



- The strategy is our **plan** of how to make things good for children and young people.



- The **plan** says children and young people must have their views wishes and feelings listened to.



Working together to make our plan happen



- The **plan** says children and young people's families views must be listened to.



- The **plan** will help children and young people plan for their future as an adult.



- The **plan** says that children and young people should have the chance to live their dream life.



Will our plan work?

We will know our plan is working when children and young people tell us that they are living lives that keep them healthy, happy and safe. They have opportunities for working in good jobs and they feel valued members of their communities.



We have made an Action Plan together with children and young people who have extra support needs or disabilities.

The Action Plan has 6 important points to check that children and young people are having the opportunities to live their **Dream Life**.

Our Action Plan



- 1. More young people with extra support needs or disabilities with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) to be working or volunteering.**



Our Vision:

Is to work together with young people to get a job or be able to volunteer.

jobcentreplus
Work Coach



2. Children and young people with extra support needs or disabilities can tell us they have friends and can take a full part in their community.

Our Vision:

Is to support children and young people to have friends.



For children and young people to be a part of a community that supports them to feel confident, happy and safe when meeting friends and enjoying leisure activities.



3. Children and young people with extra support needs or disabilities can live in their own home. A home that is safe and meets their needs.

Our Vision:

To support young people's choices so they can live somewhere that makes them feel safe and happy throughout their life



To support young people to live as independently as possible.



4. Children and young people with extra support needs or disabilities and their families are able to take part in the decisions about how they live their lives.

Our Vision:

Children and young people will have the skills and are happy to take part in making decisions about their support and what their life looks like.

We will have the skills to work with young people and their families so they can take part in developing support services.



5. Children and young people with extra support needs or disabilities and their families will say they have good support throughout their lives as they become adults.

Our Vision:

Children and young people will:

- have support that will be based on their needs and wishes.
- get the right support at all stages of their lives as they become adults.





6 . Children and young people with extra support needs or disabilities will have the same opportunities as other young people for good health care.



Our Vision:

Children and young people will have the access they need to health services to keep them fit, healthy and able to live their dream life.



We said....



Try new things

Use my talents

Pass my driving test and get a car

Travel the world telling my story

Wish it
Want it
Do it!

Have someone to talk to!

Be understood

Love myself!



This is the Easyread version of the plan for children and young people with extra support needs or disabilities - **SEND 2020-2025 Strategy.**



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