



To: Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2)

Date: 26 February 2026

Subject: Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Update

1 Purpose of the Note

- 1.1 To update the Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2) on Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2) is recommended to:
 - 1) Consider the information in Appendix 1.
 - 2) Identify any further recommendations to the relevant Cabinet Member.

3 Information and Background

- 3.1 The Board requested an update following their meeting on the 13 March 2025 on any reforms proposed at a national level and also preparation for an inspection.
- 3.2 An All-Members seminar was held in January, and this item enables Members of the Board to scrutinise and ask questions of officers and the Cabinet Member on the following:
 - SEND local area inspection and evaluation
 - The outcomes and experiences of young people with send and their families
 - System leadership for send across the local partnership
 - Local priorities and processes for delivering transformation

Appendix 1: SEND Update slides