# Presentation for Children and Young People Select Committee

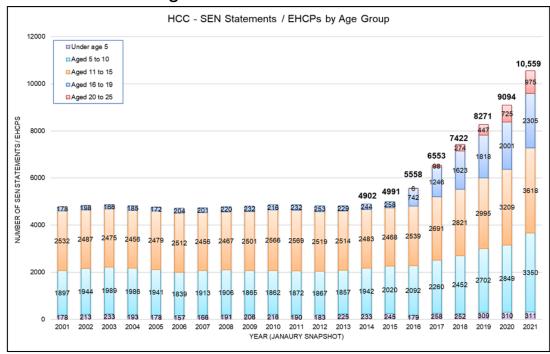
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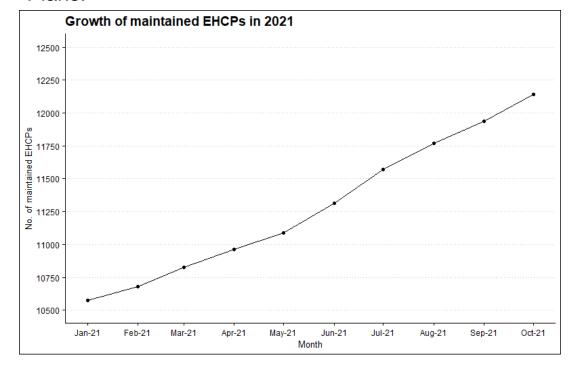


#### **Maintained EHC Plans**

Between the reforms taking effect in 2015 and January 2021 there has been a 135% increase in the number of EHC Plans being maintained.



This growth has accelerated in 2021 and as of the end of October, Hampshire maintain over 12,000 EHC Plans.

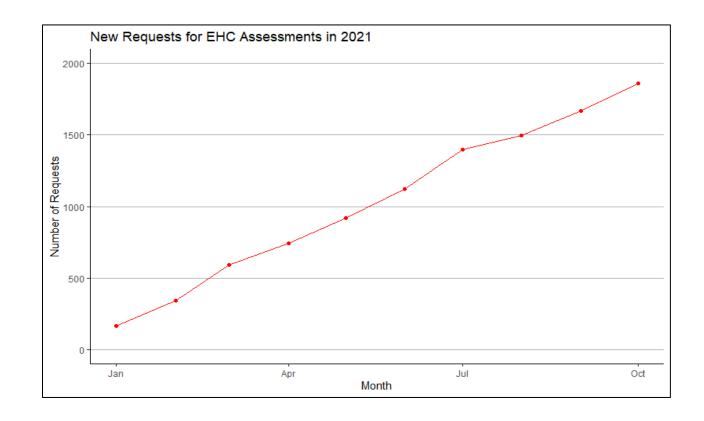






#### Requests for Assessments

- Averaging 186 requests per month.
- Over 1,850 this calendar year so far.







#### **EHC Assessment Timeliness**

Decision to Assess timeliness has increased, the 3-month rolling average was 66% in January 2021 and by the end of October it had increased to over 90%.

Month-Year	Decisions to Assess	% in time
Jan-21	145	66%
Feb-21	190	52%
Mar-21	197	57%
Apr-21	190	69%
May-21	149	50%
Jun-21	278	62%
Jul-21	205	82%
Aug-21	283	87%
Sep-21	149	92%
Oct-21	175	93%

Decision to Issue an EHC Plan timeliness has increased, the 3-month rolling average was 7% in January 2021 and by the end of October it had increased to 41%.

Month-Year	Decisions to Issue	% in time
Jan-21	109	16%
Feb-21	104	19%
Mar-21	148	17%
Apr-21	175	10%
May-21	165	13%
Jun-21	278	14%
Jul-21	296	15%
Aug-21	261	37%
Sep-21	205	37%
Oct-21	246	45%





## **Issuing EHC Plans**

Month	Number of plans issued	Average time taken (Days)	Month	Number of plans issued	Average time taken (Days)
Jan-20	109	320	Jan-21	99	342
Feb-20	64	337	Feb-21	101	325
Mar-20	61	349	Mar-21	150	356
Apr-20	63	343	Apr-21	126	317
May-20	82	331	May-21	131	317
Jun-20	163	343	Jun-21	221	349
Jul-20	144	338	Jul-21	259	316
Aug-20	169	367	Aug-21	225	315
Sep-20	387	400	Sep-21	232	275
Oct-20	139	337	Oct-21	240	276
Nov-20	109	291			
Dec-20	99	304			

- In 2020, the Service has issued 1,589 EHC Plans. So far in 2021, the Service has issued 1,784 EHC Plans.
- From June 2021 the Service has increased the volume of plans being issued and the average time to issue an EHCP is falling.

Data from Capita – excludes exceptions and those not valid for SEN 2





#### **EHCP Timeliness**

• The timeliness is improving in line with the recovery plan, with the aim of being in line with the national average by the end of this academic year.

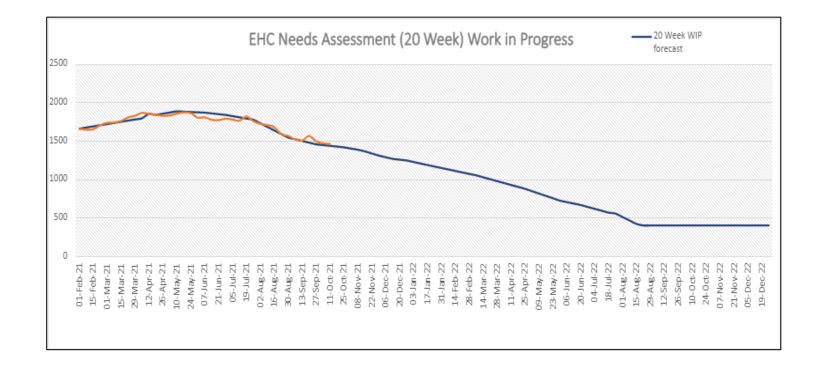
Month	% within timescale	Cumulative %
Jan-21	2%	2%
Feb-21	10%	6%
Mar-21	8%	7%
Apr-21	5%	6%
May-21	9%	7%
Jun-21	9%	7%
Jul-21	11%	8%
Aug-21	8%	8%
Sep-21	28%	11%
Oct -21	23%	13%





#### Cases out of time

- Long term plan in place to reduce cases out of time and improve timeliness.
- 03 March 1,727
- 31 October 1,429
- Just under half are out of time
   i.e. they exceed 20 weeks.







# EHC plans Issued – Target v Plan







#### **Educational Psychology Advice**

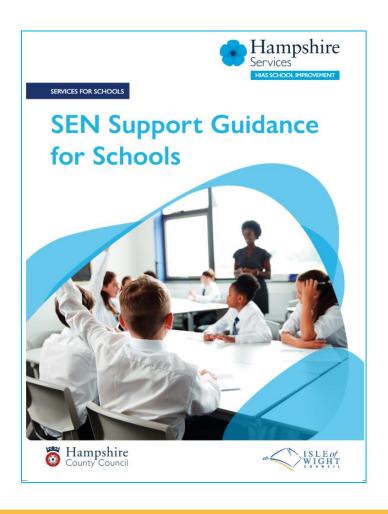
- Service is submitting on average 190 advices per month.
- Over 1,900 advices have been completed this year.







### **SEN Support Strategy**



- SEN Support a level of need identified within the SEND Code of Practice.
- Revised guidance for schools launched February 2021.
- Schools, parent/carers, children and young people were key contributors to the revision.
- A drive to ensure the guidance underpins strong practice in every classroom and every school.
- High-quality, inclusive teaching is key.
- A range of strategies and professional development opportunities available to schools to build capacity across the system in order to meet needs at this level.
- Targeted development work for different layers; headteachers, middle leaders, class teachers, SENCos, support staff, governors, recently qualified and trainee teachers.





## **Banding Framework**

- A new way of funding mainstream school top-up.
- The Banding Framework was finalised and implemented from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021.
- We have now issued 147 plans on the banding system.
- School staff & governors received training last term and further refresher training is planned before the end of Autumn term.





# SEN Capital Place Planning Strategy

- The total number of places available in specialist and resource provision is 1745 primary and 2040 secondary places.
- DfE allocated £6.4M over 3 years (2017-2020) and a further £6.8M in 2021.
- The Government has announced further Capital funding for specialist placements, but we do not yet know the amount for Hampshire.





# SEN Capital Place Planning Strategy

#### For September 2021:

184 places created:

- 2 school refurbishments (Forest Park & Saxon Wood)
- 5 Resource Provisions (Bedenham, Wildground Junior, Ashley Infant, Noadswood, South View Infant and Junior)
- 1 new school (Austen Academy)

#### Being developed for 2022:

Additional places being developed:

- Mark Way School, Andover
- Norman Gate School, Andover
- Henry Tyndale School, Farnborough
- Redlands Primary, Fareham (for hearing impairments)
- Pinewood Infant School, Farnborough
- Guillemont Junior School, Farnborough





#### **Preparation for Adulthood**

- Employment
  - We have developed a county wide, joined up and high performing employability offer for SEND young people which focuses on progression into sustained paid employment.
  - Employability Hubs became operational in Autumn 2020, with a further 4 hubs that opened this term.
  - From 2022 it is hoped new Independence Hubs will be open in FE Colleges for young people with complex needs.





# **High Needs Block Funding**

The High Needs Block DSG allocation has increased over the last three years however there continues to be a pressure each year due to increases in demand and complexity of needs

- The provisional allocation of High Needs Block funding for Hampshire for 2022/23 is £168.6m which equates to £962 per mainstream pupil
- The average level of funding per pupil in South East authorities is £1,071
- If Hampshire was funded at the South East authorities average level then we would receive an additional £19 million which would almost deliver a balanced budget.

Year	High Needs allocation	Increase in funding	In-year High Needs pressure
2019/20	£115.7m	£4.1m	£15.2m
2020/21	£135.1m	£19.4m	£15.8m
2021/22	£152.9m	£17.9m*	£22.4m

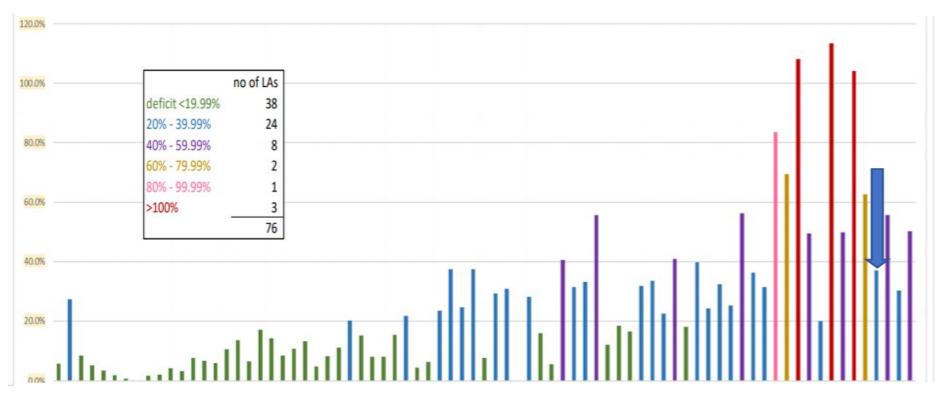
\*includes £2.5m for baselining of Teachers Pay and Pension Grants





# **High Needs Block Budget**

• The Hampshire deficit as a proportion of the High Needs Block is not currently an outlier:



• Based on survey undertaken by f40 – autumn 2020



