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Date 19th April 2018



City of
Stoke-on-Trent

Children and Family Services
Civic Centre
Glebe Street
Stoke-on-Trent
ST4 1HH

Dear Parents/ Carers

High Needs Review Engagement

I am writing to invite you have your say about the High Needs Review currently ongoing in Stoke on Trent

To find out more about the High Needs Review, that the Government has asked us to do, please read the key messages attached with this letter.

We would like to hear your views, before the 4th May 2018, about the education provision for children and young people funded using High Needs grants

The Council is seeking the views of people who make use of high needs provision, including children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), their families and organisations supporting children, young people and their parents/carers.

What does High Needs mean?

High Needs includes children and young people with Education, Health and Care Plans, children and young people attending Pupil Referral Units and those being educated out of Stoke on Trent in Specialist provision.

Have you already given your views?

You may have already given us your views about education provision for children and young people with SEND by attending the parent and Stakeholder event on 17th April 2018 or by feeding your views through parent group discussions we have had over the past year.

These views are all being looked at, but we wanted to make sure everyone has an opportunity to share their views or add anything extra that they want us to consider.

How can you have your say?

To give us your views about the high needs review you can have your say in a number of ways:

Please tell us if you need this letter in an alternative format

contacting the council:

minicom: 01782 23 6037

text: 07786 200 700

email: Enquiries@stoke.gov.uk

telephone 01782 23 4234

stoke.gov.uk

You can access a copy of the questionnaire.

- Online via the Stoke on Trent Local Offer website: localoffer.stoke.gov.uk
- Requesting a copy of the questionnaire from your child or young person's school
- Requesting a copy from PEGIS.
- Completed questionnaires can be returned via email or by post. Emails should be returned to localoffer@stoke.gov.uk.
- Posted responses should be sent to Mrs J Lomas, Strategic Manager for Inclusion, Civic Centre, Stoke on Trent, Glebe Street, Stoke, ST4 1HH. An envelope can be requested if needed from Sheila Cowell on 01782 236809.
- Hand delivered to the Civic Centre reception.

If you don't want to complete a questionnaire, you can submit your comments in writing or by emailing us at: localoffer@stoke.gov.uk

If you have any problems completing this questionnaire, or need assistance to access please call our Local offer administration support: Sharon Tudor (01782 233358)

We look forward to receiving your views, which will be taken into account when making decisions about future services in Stoke on Trent for High Needs Learners. The strategic plan for how Stoke on Trent will support High Needs Learners in the future will be available on the Local Offer website by **10th May 2018**

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Johnstone', is written over a thick, horizontal black line.

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