

Input form for Local Authority to complete

Local authority	East Sussex	Date of last update	24/05/2019
Local authority's special provision fund allocation	£3,074,451	Total planned expenditure on projects: special provision fund	£3,074,451
Other investment the local authority plans to make in SEND capital up until 2021	£14,925,549	Total planned expenditure on projects: other funding up until 2021	£18,000,000

The local authority is **required** to consult parents and carers to receive their allocation. Local authorities should use the box to the right to confirm that they have consulted with parents and carers about their plan and projects and complete the 'Consultation form' below.

The local authority has consulted parents and carers

Project information form

Provision					Investment in additional places (£)		Number of additional places			Investment in facilities (£)		Total (£)	Additional Information about each project	
Provision URN	Provision name and address	Provision category	Ofsted Judgement	Age range for project	Special provision fund investment in additional places	Other investment in additional places	Special provision fund additional planned places	Other investment additional planned places	Total additional planned places	Special provision fund investment in facilities	Other investment in facilities	Total investment in project	Type of SEN or disability that project is designed to meet.	LAs should use this section of the table to set out more details about the aims of the project. Beyond this further information can be listed in their strategic plan or directly on their local offer page.
	PMLD Unit, Summerdown School, Cross Levels Ways, Eastbourne, East Sussex	Special provision	Not yet inspected	Other category in 0-25 age-range (please specify in project)	£894,285	£3,100,000 (approx)	11	40	51			£894,285	Profound, Multiple Learning Disability (PMLD)	Part of our strategy for increasing the number of special schools places across the County. The LA is funding the build of a PMLD Unit as part of the successful Free School application, The Summerdown School which will provide nursery, primary and secondary provision for pupils with ASD and associated communication difficulties. The PMLD Unit will provide 51 places, 6 nursery and 45 across the primary and secondary phase.
	SEMH Free School, Off Reef Way, Hailsham, East Sussex, BN27 1FB	Special provision	Not yet inspected	Primary and secondary	£2,086,666	£11,825,549 (approx)	12	68	80			£2,086,666	Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties (SEMH)	Part of our strategy for increasing the number of special schools places across the County. A new school will be built to meet the needs of increased numbers of pupils with EHCP with SEMH as the primary need. The school will provide 80 places across the primary and secondary phases.
	Churchwood Primary Academy, Church in the Wood Lane St Leonards-on-Sea TN38 9PB	Special unit or resourced provision	Good	Primary	£29,000		8		8			£29,000	Autism Spectrum Disorder	Part of our strategy of increasing the number of specialist facilities places available across the county, providing local access to provision and supporting the re-integration of pupils into mainstream schools.
	Grovelands Primary School, Dunbar Drive Hailsham BN27 3UW	Special unit or resourced provision	Good	Primary	£40,000		8		8			£40,000	Autism Spectrum Disorder	Part of our strategy of increasing the number of specialist facilities places available across the county, providing local access to provision and supporting the re-integration of pupils into mainstream schools.
	Battle and Langton Primary School, Market Road Battle TN33 0HQ	Special unit or resourced provision	Good	Primary	£24,500		8		8			£24,500	Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties (SEMH)	Part of our strategy of increasing the number of resourced places available across the county, providing local access to provision and supporting the re-integration of pupils into mainstream schools.

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Consultation form

Consultation for all projects: list the groups that the local authority has consulted with and the date of the conversation. Local authorities are required to consult with parents and carers and should consult with other groups about how they plan to use their funding and set out information in the box below before they will receive their allocation.

Group	Date and method of discussion i.e. meeting or online consultation	Topic(s) of discussion	Outcome including any changes as a result of the consultation
Local Headteachers of Special Schools	16 October 2017 following a number of previous meetings throughout 2016 and 2017 where SEN Place Planning was discussed.	Discussion of forecasts for SEN pupils across the County and our developing strategy for providing additional places to meet these needs.	The discussions helped us shape our SEN Place Planning strategy and confirmed the need for new provision to be developed.
Parents/carers of SEN children, as part of the High Needs Block Funding Review	Five meetings held between 19 Oct - 30 November 2017, with 56 parent/carer contributors.	The consultation focused on a range of questions about provision for SEN pupils, including gaps in provision, ease of access of provision and transition between mainstream and special schools. The parent views expressed as part of this review chimed with the need for more specialist provision.	The consultation confirmed the need for new or expansion of existing specialist provision to be developed. It also highlighted the need for special schools to work with mainstream schools to develop inclusive practice and share good practice and expertise. This requirement has been built into the specification for the new SEMH school as a result of this feedback.
The East Sussex Parent and Carer Forum	Email on 25 January 2018	Responses sought from the East Sussex Parent and Carer Forum on the proposal and specification for the new SEMH Free School.	No responses received.
Parents/carers and other key stakeholders	Online consultation Feb-March 2018	The responses to the consultation indicated strong support for our strategy of developing more special schools and more specialist facilities. 67% of respondents agreed that the new free schools will help address the need for more SEN places, those that did not agree felt that even more special school places were needed. 96% of respondents agreed with our strategy of increasing the number of specialist facilities. Feedback indicated that there are some concerns about access to provision in specific rural parts of the county and a need for more secondary SEN provision.	The consultation confirmed that our strategy for developing more places is supported. As a result of the feedback we have agreed the use of capital funding to develop 3 primary specialist facilities, including in a rural area.

Parents and carers	Various methods of communication throughout 2016 - 2018	The majority of correspondence with parents that the local authority receives in relation to provision for SEN pupils, is around sufficiency of local provision and the need for more specialist provision across the county.	These views and opinions have been a core driver behind our SEN Place Planning strategy. The Council has recognised these views and prioritised capital funding for SEN provision as part of the capital programme.
Parents/carers, schools, post-16 providers and other key stakeholders	Online consultation Feb-March 2019	The responses to the consultation indicated strong support for our strategy of developing more special schools and more specialist facilities. 76% of respondents agreed that the new free schools will help address the need for more SEN places, those that did not agree felt that we should be supporting mainstream schools to meet the needs of SEN pupils and creating more specialist facilities. 92% of respondents agreed with our strategy of increasing the number of specialist facilities. Feedback indicated that there are concerns about sufficient provision for the 16-25 year cohort.	The consultation confirmed the continued support for our strategy, including the focus on developing inclusion practice in mainstream schools. This requirement has been built into the specification for all the specialist facilities and will also be a key feature for the new free schools. As a result of this feedback and the continued strong support for more specialist facilities we have also secured additional capital funding for 2 new secondary specialist facilities, one of which will be in the rural north of the county.
Local Headteachers and leads of specialist facilities	June 2018 - Ongoing	As a result of the work undertaken in the High Needs Block funding review a new strategic governance group has been established for the leads of specialist facilities. The group is supportive of our strategy of developing more specialist facilities and sharing expertise from the facilities with local mainstream schools.	This group has helped steer the development of the new specialist facilities and is facilitating the sharing of good practice across the facilities, and supporting the setting up of the new facilities.

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