

Stockport Sendiass

Stockport Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS)

The Together Trust's experienced team are here to offer **free, confidential** and **impartial** support to parents and carers of children and young people aged between 0 and 25 in Stockport who have or may have Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. We also provide independent advice and support directly to young people aged between 16 and 25 who have or may have Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. Young people can access the service in their own right or with the support of their parents.

Meet the Team

- Suzie Franklin – Manager
- Tracy Ryan – Sendiass Practitioner
- Sophie Holt – Sendiass Practitioner
- Elle Hampson – Sendiass Admin co-ordinator

What is Sendiass



Sendiass stands for:

Special Education and Disability information, advice support service

- We are a statutory service.
- Every local authority has to have a sendiass/iass service
- Some services are commissioned out and some are in house
- Sendiass services work at arms length of the local authority and are impartial

What we will do

We will listen to your concerns, gather information about your situation and determine what level of support we can provide.

Our primary aim is to empower you with the information, advice and support you need to achieve the best possible outcomes.

We Can Give You

Information on:




- The law on Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND), Health and Social Care where they link to education
- SEN Support (including quality first teaching) and the Graduated Approach
- Education Health and Care Plans (EHCP)
- Moving through stages of education, this is called transition
- Mediation and dispute resolution, appealing to the Special Educational Needs and Disability Tribunal Service and complaints procedures
- Local policy and practice
- Personal budgets and working together (personalisation)
- The Local Offer

Advice about:

- Gathering, understanding and interpreting information and applying it to your own situation
- Signposting to other services for information, advice and support
- What to do when things go wrong
- How to get the best from a meeting

Support with:

- Preparing for and attending meetings
 - Writing letters
 - Understanding reports
 - The EHC Plan process and annual reviews
 - Admissions and Exclusions
 - Post 16 provision
 - Transport
 - Working in partnership with schools and the local authority to develop positive relationships
 - Complaints, mediation & disagreement resolution meetings and appeals to the SEND Tribunal Service
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What we are unable to do:

- Give personal opinions
- Solve problems and make decisions for you
- Do things that you can do for yourself or could do with encouragement/support
- Jointly support you whilst a solicitor or another support organisation is involved

Workshops and Drop-in sessions

SEND Training session for parent/carers The Annual Review process	Weds 9th February 2022	Evening session 7pm – 9pm
SEND Drop-in Informal session for parents/carers	Thurs 24th Feb 2022	9.30 am – 11.30am
What is SEND? An overview of the legislation and what schools and LAs should do (including SEN support)	Tues 22nd March 2022	9.30am – 12.00pm
What is SEND? An overview of the legislation and what schools and LAs should do (including SEN support)	Weds 30th March 2022	Evening session 7pm – 9pm
SEND Drop-in Informal session for parents/carers	Tues 17th May 2022	9.30am – 11.30am
Resolving disagreement (includes complaints, mediation and preparing for tribunals)	Tues 28th June 2022	9.30am – 12.00pm
Resolving disagreement (includes complaints, mediation and preparing for tribunals)	Weds 6th July 2022	Evening session 7pm – 9pm



Department
for Education



Department
of Health

TOGETHER
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Special educational needs and disability code of practice: 0 to 25 years

**Statutory guidance for organisations
which work with and support children
and young people who have special
educational needs or disabilities**

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Get in touch with us today

Our expert team at the Together Trust will do everything they can to support you and your family. Contact details can be found below or you can get in touch by filling in our online contact form:

Telephone: 0161 240 6168

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<https://www.togethertrust.org.uk/SENDIASS>

Useful organisations



IPSEA (Independent Parental Special Education Advice)

<https://ipsea.org.uk>

Council for Disabled Children (CDC)

<http://www.councilfordisabledchildren.org.uk>

Special Needs Jungle

<https://www.specialneedsjungle.com/>

Tribunal Service (SENDIST)

<https://www.gov.uk/courts-tribunals/first-tier-tribunal-special-educational-needs-and-disability>

Preparing for Adulthood

<https://www.preparingforadulthood.org.uk/>

Any questions?