

CASE STUDY: BURY SEND PARTNERSHIP

ENHANCING PARENT CARER COLLABORATION

Context:

Bury SEND Partnership wanted to finesse the strategic influence of SEND parent carers. This included looking at governance arrangements and how the group managed and reported on their work streams.

What We Did:

For over a year we supported the Bury SEND parent carer partnership as they worked through several changes and challenges including an OFSTED inspection. Together, we worked to enhance collaborative relationships in order to achieve the best outcomes for SEND children and young people.

Impact

The simple rules below articulate the values and behaviours all partners agreed as essential to the work:

1. Be child and young person centred
2. Be ambitious, hopeful and accountable
3. Be open to change and challenge
4. Be active listeners in order to communicate and connect

A systems visibility session enables the group to hear from others providing services such as those across. Next steps include a refreshed engagement strategy from the new local authority leadership team alongside the more practical suggestions below:

Stop

- Tick boxing parent carer voice
- Rushing - slow down and get it right
- Working in silos

Start

- Communicate and share plans and progress
- ensure everyone knows and understands their role in delivering
- listening well
- positive intent
- share good ideas and learning

Continue

- Conversations between forums
- Parents and carers engaging

VISION FOR BURY SEND PARTNERSHIP

We are a group of people who live and work in Bury to help young people and children with Special Educational Needs to be their best. We plan, review and offer services (and put them in place when they are missing) in health, care or education.



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