



## BRENT

### SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES INFORMATION, ADVICE AND SUPPORT (SEND IAS) SERVICE

### SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

#### Introduction

Brent Special Educational Needs and Disability Information Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS) offers impartial, confidential information, advice, and support on matters around Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) to parents, carers, and young people up to the age of 25.

The aim of the service is to ensure parents, carers and young people have access to timely, accurate and impartial information, advice, and support. This enables parents, carers, and young people to take an informed and active role in decisions.

The service works to limit misunderstandings and secure true partnership working arrangements between parents, carers, young people, schools, the Local Authority, and other services; ensuring that the views of parents, carers and young people are listened to.

This work includes attending meetings and negotiating outcomes. The strength of the service is its 'partnership' approach with a wide range of agencies, the impartial nature of the service role and the knowledge that exists within the team.

The Service operates at 'arm's length' from other Local Authority Services.

Note: Brent SENDIASS complies with all Brent Council policies and in addition also has the following service specific policy.

#### Safeguarding Statement

Brent SENDIASS is committed to safeguarding the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults accessing services delivered by the organisation.

Any information you give is used to provide you with the service you have requested. It will be stored securely and will not be shared with anyone outside Brent SENDIASS without your permission, **unless** such information would lead us to believe that a child might be at risk when there would be a legal obligation to pass on such concerns in line with the local safeguarding procedures.

We adhere to the Safeguarding Children Partnership Arrangements for Brent set out by [Brent Local Safeguarding Children Board - Safeguarding Children in Brent \(brentsafeguardingpartnerships.uk\)](https://www.brentsafeguardingpartnerships.uk)

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*The Safeguarding Statement has been approved by the Brent SENDIASS Steering Group.*

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