

ALL AGE AUTISM STRATEGY EASY READ 2023-2025



This is a plan to make life better for all people with autism in Havering. This plan is for children, young people and adults with Autism.

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1. Why do we need a plan?



We want to increase autism awareness to make sure that the borough becomes autism inclusive.



We want people with Autism to have the same opportunities as everybody else.



We want autistic people and their families to be at the centre of everything we do.



We want to focus on people's strengths and support them to be the best they can be and overcome barriers.



We want guidance, support and advice to be easily accessible for everyone at the right time.

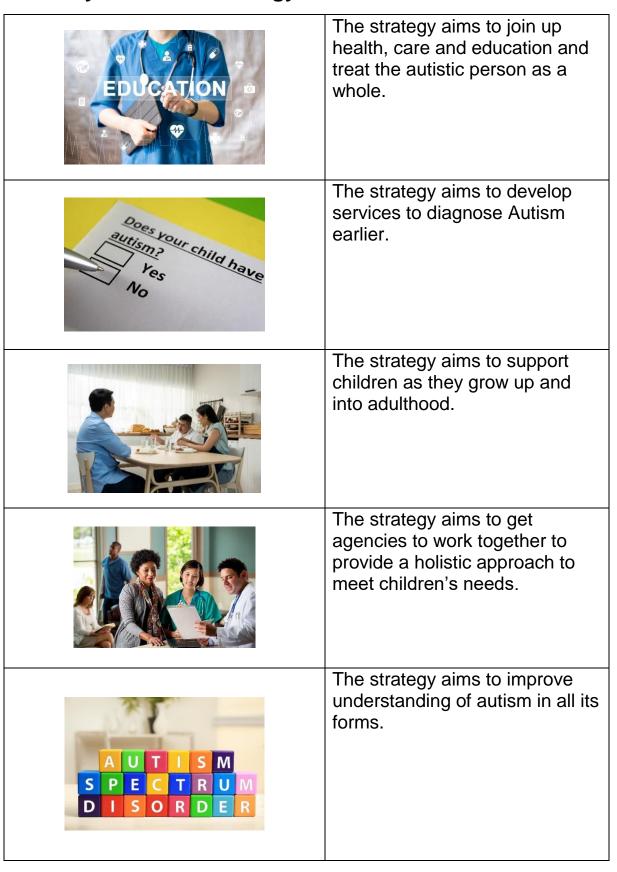
2. What is Autism?





Around one out of every 100 people are autistic.

3. Why an Autism Strategy?



4. Autism Self-Assessment 2018



In 2018, we took an Autism Self-Assessment with the help of the Autism Partnership Board, the NHS, and the Autism Steering Group.



What works well:

- Some good low-level support for people who don't get support under the Care Act 2014
- Some data is kept and used for planning
- Some good work is being done in hospitals
- The Partnership Board has people with Autism involved



Things Havering could do better:

- Better transition and clearer paths for young people as they grow up
- Better recording of Hate Crime
- Better awareness of Autism and training across the borough
- Support after diagnosis needs to be better

Part 1: Autism Partnership Board

	We held a series of consultation events between April and July 2019
	We want to ensure all papers and consultation materials are as accessible as possible
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	We want to appoint a person with autism as Co-Chair of the Autism Partnership Board.

Part 2: Supporting Children and Adults with Disabilities What we plan to do

	We want to work with children, young people and their families at an early stage to improve pathways for those moving into adult's services.
	We want to communicate better with young people and their parents about what is possible for the future
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	We want to work with post 16/19 education providers to develop their offer
	We want to develop health pathways and processes for people aged 18-25 with healthcare needs



We want to develop a special educational needs and disabilities move on event for young people

Part 3: Integrated Care Board

	We want to work with LBH colleagues to make sure actions are completed
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	We want to work with autism ambassadors to assess access to services
	We want information about diagnostic pathways to be easier to understand



Part 4: Employment





Part 5: Housing
What we plan to do

	We want to make sure that staff in LBH housing services have autism awareness training
	We want to make sure young people with autism have access to supported housing schemes
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Part 6: NELFT/CAHMS





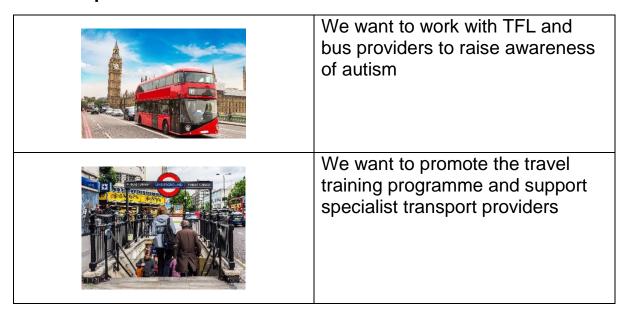
We want to reduce waiting times for autism assessments

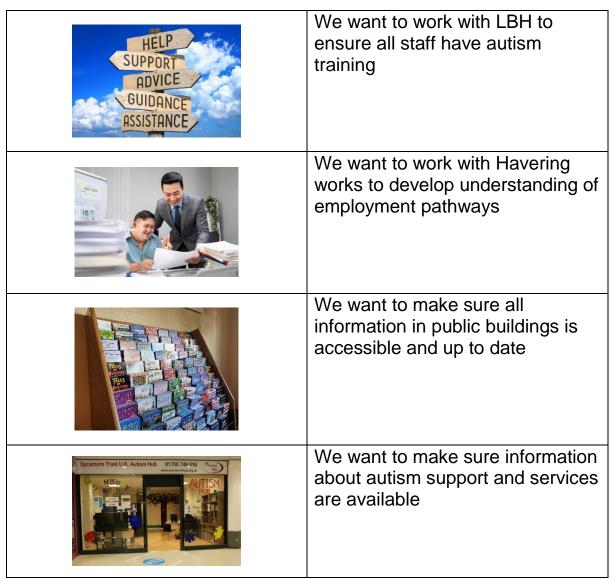
Part 7: Education and Development



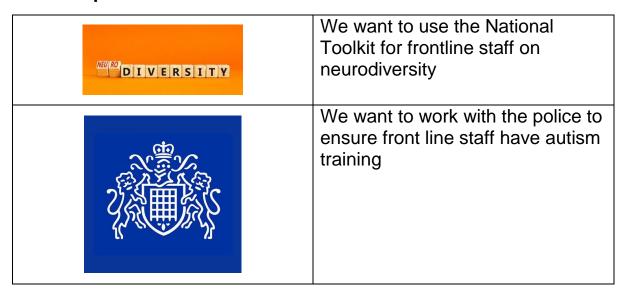


Part 8: Autism Ambassadors





Part 9: Criminal and Youth Justice System





We want to work closely with the criminal youth justice system to improve support for autistic people