

Appendix 2

A selection of responses from young people, parents and carers from the consultation process.

The hard work undertaken by Bromley Parent Voice, Bromley Mencap and Burgess Autistic Trust in collating responses on behalf of their members should be noted.

- There should be a greater focus on the flexibility and effectiveness of support to engender better long term outcomes
- If young people are not given the appropriate level of support at the time such support is required to effectively promote independence then there is a risk of a greater longer term cost to the LA
- Whilst recognising the budget restrictions, we believe that it would be helpful in the context of individuals with complex needs to talk about how available resources can be best used to support and optimise opportunities for enhanced independence. There should be a greater focus on the flexibility and effectiveness of support to engender better long term outcomes.
- What procedures and services will be in place for young people who do not strictly meet the eligibility threshold?
- Any strategy that relates to SEND matters will need to be kept under regular review during the current agenda for change.
- What is it like getting ready to leave school? – “It is scary”
- ...the need to provide the same information over and over again was very frustrating. The need for consistent support throughout this period was the most critical need.
- Most parents felt the role of key worker was critical....there appeared to be an expansion of the key workers (in the strategy) and this was welcomed.