We want all our children to be safe, confident and happy, with opportunities to achieve through learning and reach their full potential as they become adults.

This plan offers an amazing initiative and insight into the way children are able to fit into a functioning society; it tackles common and everyday problems faced by young people.

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We recognise that the current context of reduced public spending, growing population and the prevailing characteristics of urban life create challenges for our community. However, against this backdrop we are clear about our priorities and will work in partnership to address them.

**WE WILL...**

- Increase and enhance the effectiveness of early interventions to reduce the need for specialist services wherever possible
- Ensure children’s centres remain of the highest quality, serving those families who need them most and preparing children for school
- Prioritise specialist and tailored services for vulnerable children at risk of significant harm
- Commission sufficient high quality school and early education places enabling children to enjoy and achieve through their learning
- Ensure children with special educational needs and disabilities are given opportunities to succeed and thrive
- Support and challenge schools and settings to improve attainment for all children and strive for excellence in teaching and leadership
- Offer appropriate and wide ranging support for parents and families with complex needs enhancing opportunities for them to achieve their potential
- Improve attendance and behaviour in schools to reduce exclusions and enable children to progress and succeed
- Ensure all children participate in high quality education and training, from early years to adulthood, preparing them to be active citizens
- Develop the partnerships between schools and local employers to create real opportunities for young people within our community
- Ensure children in care and care leavers are safe, healthy and have opportunities to succeed
- Promote children and families experience in decision making to influence and develop services to meet their needs and build aspiration and long term resilience

**AND WE WILL...**

- Improve the physical, emotional and mental health of children, ensuring the best start in life and long term healthy lifestyles.

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Cabinet Member for Education, Children’s Services & Protection

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Director of Children’s Services

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Enfield stands for fairness for all, growth and sustainability and strong communities