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Dear Parent/Carer,

We contacted you in the summer to inform you of the outcome of the review into parent carer participation in Haringey. The review recommended establishing a parent carer forum in Haringey and this is something that we would like to put in place.

The parent carer forum will consist of a group of parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) who work with the council, education settings, health providers and other providers to make sure the services we plan and deliver meet the needs of children and young people with SEND and their families.

There are approximately two and a half thousand parents and carers in Haringey whose children have SEND and whose voices need to be heard. Our proposal is to ask an expert independent organisation to develop a model for the parent carer forum and to help support all parents and carers to become more involved. This will help us to make sure that the way we work to support children and young people with SEND and their families is better informed by the views of parents, children and young people going forward.

We will be holding virtual events via zoom or Microsoft Teams on **Monday 2 November and Thursday 5 November 2020** to discuss how we take this forward.

We would be very grateful if you could take a few minutes to answer the questions below and return the form to us by **Monday 26 October, 5pm**.

- Please can you indicate in the box below if you would like to attend this event:**

Yes, I would like to attend this event	
No, I would not like to attend this event	

2. **If you answered yes, please indicate the time and date you would like to attend the event:**

Monday 2 November, 12 noon – 1.30pm	
Monday 2 November, 5pm – 6.30pm	
Thursday 5 November, 11am – 12.30pm	

3. **Would you like to be involved in the areas below? If so, please tick all the boxes that apply**

a.	I would like to help to develop the service specification (designing what the parent carer forum will look like, frequency of meetings etc.)	
b.	I would like to be involved in choosing the successful organisation	
c.	I would like to work with the new organisation to help shape participation in Haringey	
d.	I don't want to be involved now but please keep me updated	

4. **Please provide your name and contact details below so we can talk to you about being involved or keep you updated in the development of this proposal**

Name:

Email address:

Contact number:

5. **Please state your preferred method of engagement**

Phone		Respond in writing	
Email		Zoom/Teams	
Speaking to your social/key worker		Questionnaires	
Face to face (not available at present due to covid)			

Please can you return it to: sen@haringey.gov.uk

This will be an excellent opportunity for you to have your say in how SEND services in Haringey are delivered and we look forward to your response and working with you to develop a parent/carers forum in Haringey.

Kind regards

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