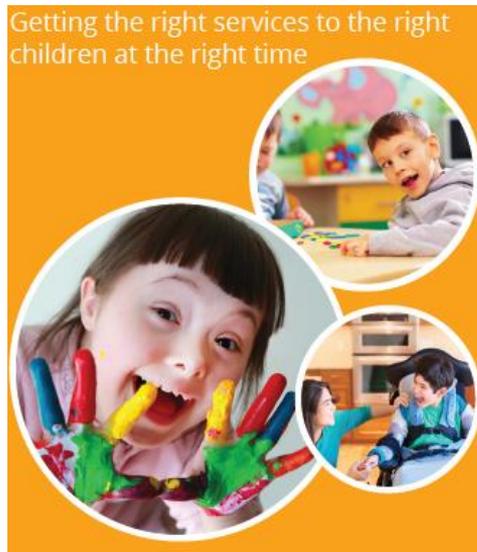


# Setting the Scene

Warrington SEND Inspection - February 2023



# Our place



Play & Sensory Centre



Child Development Centre



Woolston Learning Village



The Puddle Project



Warrington Youth Zone



# Our children and young people

- 32,820 school pupils in Warrington
- 5,006 pupils with special educational needs in our schools
  - 3,803 pupils requiring SEN Support
  - 1,203 pupils in schools with an EHC Plan
- 1,857 EHC Plans maintained and most prevalent needs:
  - ASD 516
  - SLCN 379
  - MLD 349
- 172 out of area placements
- 79 children in care have an EHC Plan





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# Warrington Partnership

Under the umbrella of **Warrington Together**, council, community and NHS organisations work together for the benefit of children and young people living in Warrington.



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Borough Council



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Health and Care Partnership





# The difference we have made

1. Early identification of need
2. Targeted intervention to support children to develop the knowledge skills and behaviours to succeed
3. Reduction in the number of pupils in out of borough placements
4. Supported schools to improve children's self-esteem and resilience
5. Increased young people's engagement in employment from 9.8% in Dec 2021 – 12.2% at the end of Dec 2022
6. More young adults with learning disabilities are supported to live as independently as possible.



# The difference we have made

- Jointly commissioned an OT service to tackle wait time and to provide direct support to children
- Strengthened the early years inclusion panel
- Embedded SEN support and the Neurodevelopment Pathway within our early help offer
- Partnership approach to training staff in trauma informed approaches
- Launched a revised graduated approach underpinned by comprehensive training programme
- Developed innovative services to meet the needs of families such as the Puddle.



# What children and young people say

**“I feel supported to reach my long-term ambitions. Learn to earn events give me the life skills I need”**

**“I know I wouldn’t be where I am, doing what I’m doing without the teams at WBC, including health and social care who have helped me and my Grandma and are still helping me to reach my potential. So thank you for believing in me, that’s all kids like me need.”**

**“My school is a place to feel safe, have fun and be educated for later life. I feel part of one big family.”**

**“What success means to me? Looking back and thinking I can’t do anything better.”**



# Our challenges

1. Increased complexity and acuity of need
2. Re-engagement post pandemic for some children and young people back into schools
3. School place sufficiency in the early years and for specialist places
4. Surge in demand for assessment and diagnostic services
5. Recruitment and retention of employees
6. Maturity of IT systems
7. Development of the digital offer
8. Pressures on budgets across the wider Council and partnership
9. Policy reforms.



# The future



We want all children and young people with SEND to:

- Do their best at nursery, school and college
- Have greater control over the support they receive
- Feel valued and included in their local communities
- Achieve meaningful occupation in their adult lives
- Lead happy and fulfilled lives.



# Key priorities...

