



Leeds SENDIASS

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Advice Support Service

Who are SENDIASS?

SENDIASS stands for 'Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, Information, Advice, Support Service.'

All local authorities are legally required to provide a service that gives information, advice and support (IAS) to children and to young people, up to the age of 25 who have, or may have, special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and their parents and carers. Leeds SENDIASS provides this service.

The IAS that we provide is governed by SEND law and legislation such as:

- [The Children and Families Act](#)
- [The SEND CODE of Practice](#)
- [The SEND regulations](#)

We receive formal SEND legal training from the Independent Provider of Special Educational Advice (IPSEA).

What do we provide?

Our service is free, confidential, impartial and arms length from the local authority. We provide information, advice and support on SEND topics such as:

- SEND law and legislation
- Local SEND policies and processes
- SEND support in schools
- Education, Health and Care (EHC) needs assessments
- Education, Health and Care plans (EHCPs)
- Mediation and SEND Tribunal Appeals
- Resolving disagreements and complaints procedures
- Being involved in decision making and expressing views
- Where to find further information and support

How can you access our information?

Website: <https://sendiass.leeds.gov.uk/>

How can we be contacted?

Call our advice line on 0113 3785020

Monday to Friday 10.00am – 3.00pm

If you do not get through to an officer, please leave a voicemail and we will get back to you within two working days.

Use the 'contact us' button on our website

<https://forms.leeds.gov.uk/SENDIASSGetInTouch>

Send us an email leedssendiass@leeds.gov.uk



Search:
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Private Facebook group to:

- provide SEND information and advice on a range of topics
- share and promote SEND news and events



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YouTube channel to host:

- advice webinars
- training sessions/presentations
- videos



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Instagram account to promote:

- New service content
- SEND news and events
- Useful information and advice

All queries come through the advice line and receive a 15 minute consultation. During this consultation, we listen to the enquiry and provide information and advice on the available onward steps, in line with the offer above.