



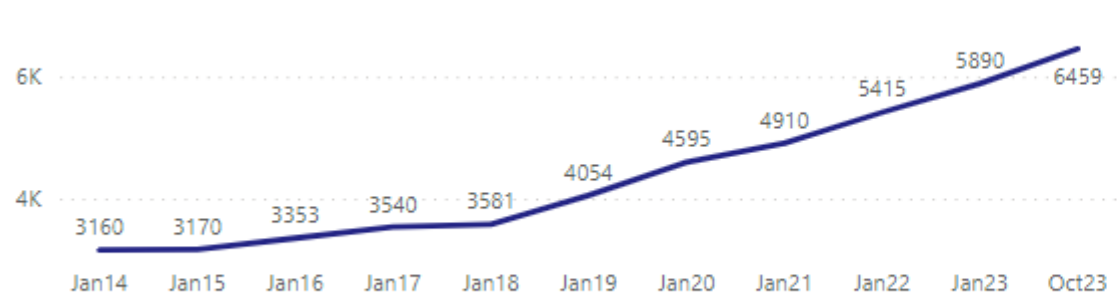
# Area SEND Update Confidential Appendix Pack

Cabinet - 12 December 2023



## Published data on EHCPs maintained by Buckinghamshire

Number of EHCPs maintained



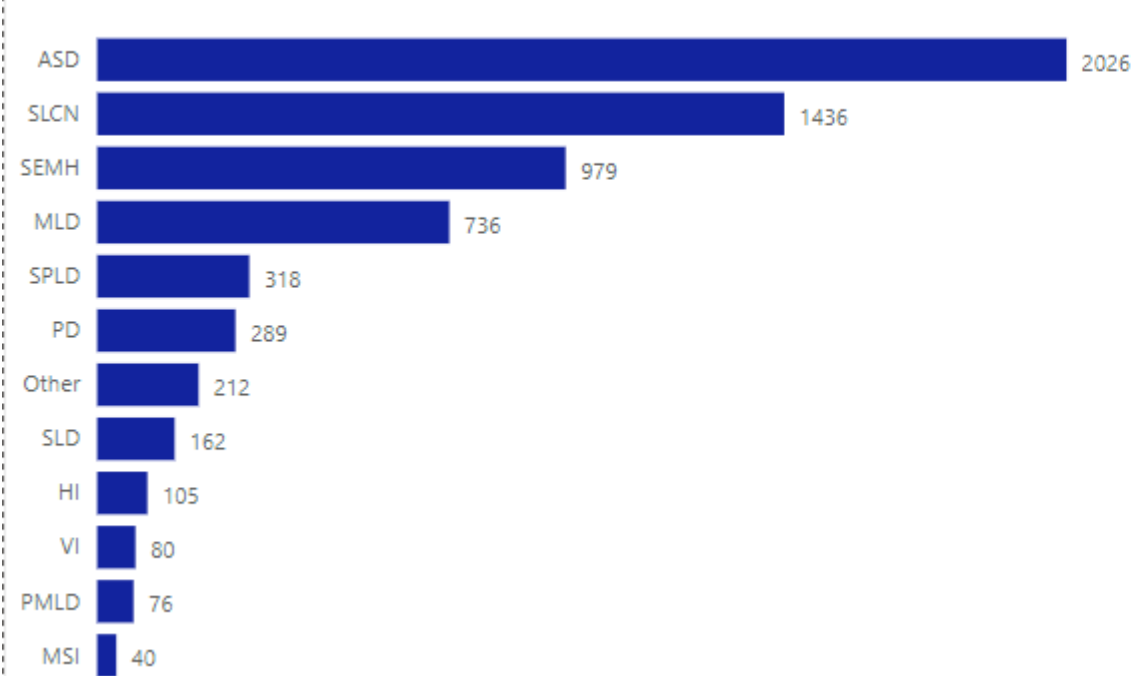
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Number of new EHCPs issued during calendar year

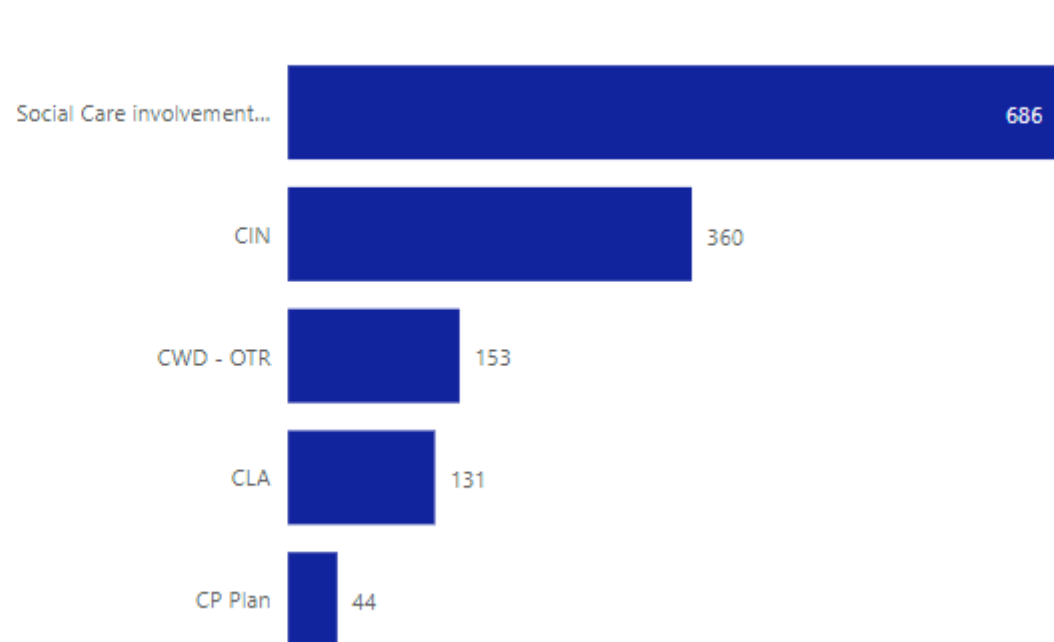


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Current maintained EHCPs by primary need

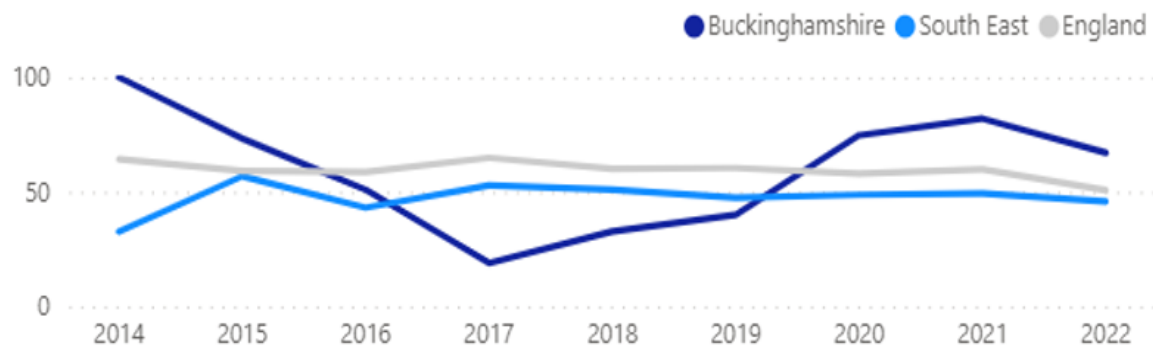


Current maintained EHCPs by social care status

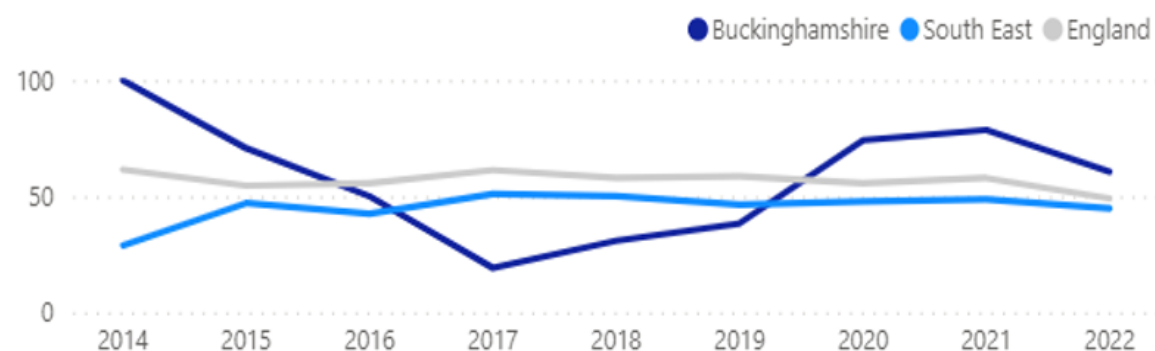


## Published data on EHCPs timeliness

% of EHCPs issued within 20 weeks (excluding exceptions)



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### Buckinghamshire trend

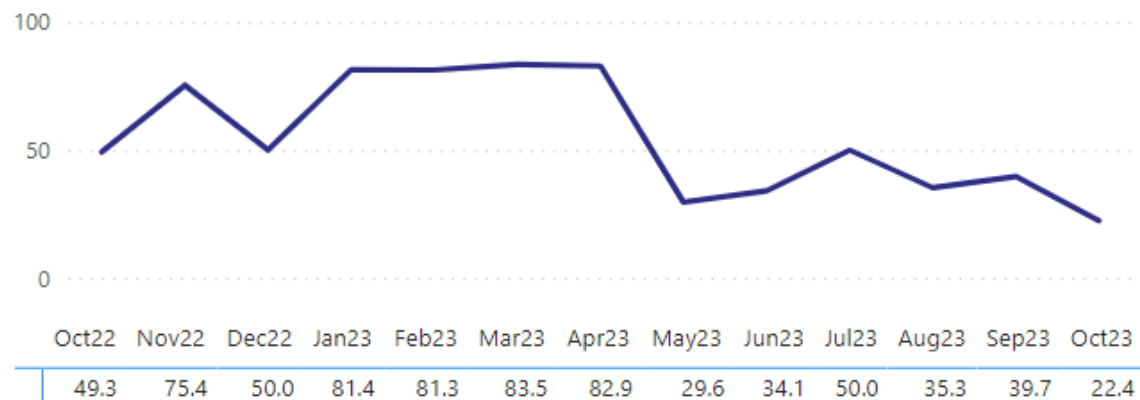
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Number of EHCPs issued (excluding exceptions)	7	330	434	285	572	645	562	678	653
% of EHCPs issued within 20 weeks (excluding exceptions)	100	73	51	19	33	40	75	82	67

### Buckinghamshire trend

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Number of EHCPs issued (including exceptions)	7	390	443	298	625	673	566	707	741
% of EHCPs issued within 20 weeks (including exceptions)	100	71	50	19	31	38	74	79	61

## Buckinghamshire tracking data on EHCPs timeliness

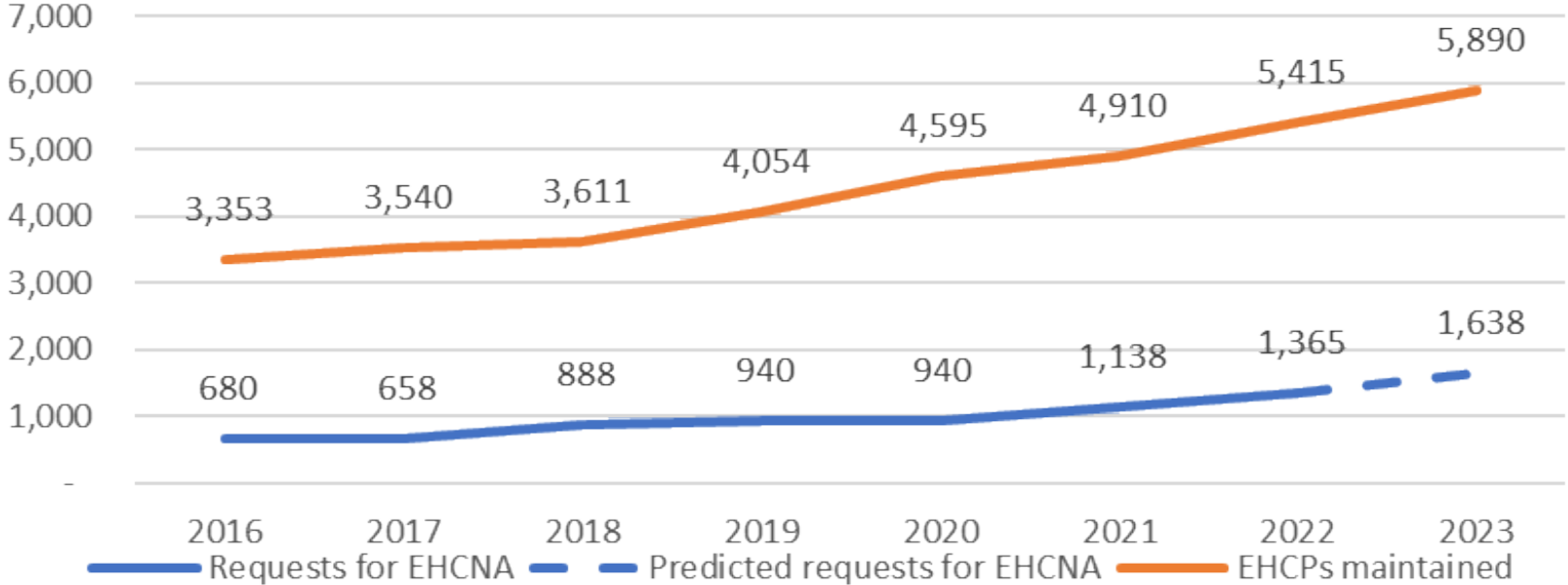
% of final plans issued within 20 weeks (excluding exceptions)



**Published data on EHC Needs Assessment Requests**

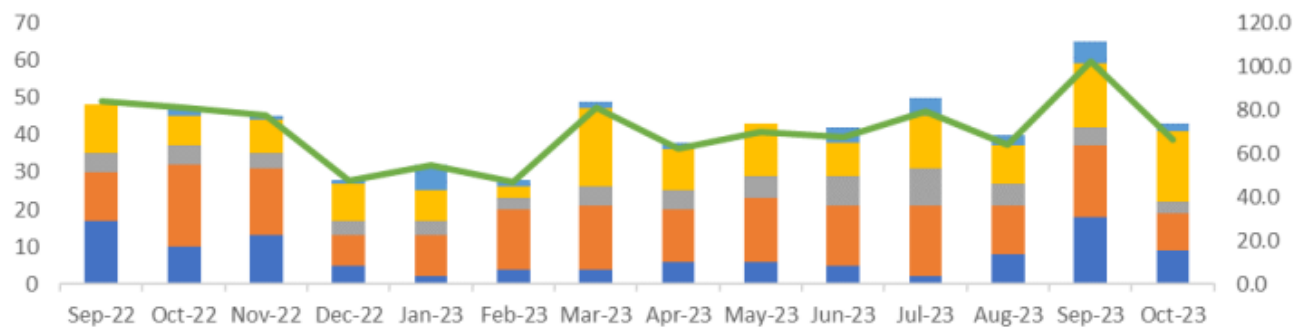
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	% change 2016-2022
<b>Buckinghamshire</b>	680	658	888	940	940	1,138	1,365	101%
<b>South East</b>	9,628	12,304	12,860	14,265	13,869	16,867	19,060	98%
<b>England</b>	55,235	64,555	72,423	82,329	75,951	93,302	114,457	107%

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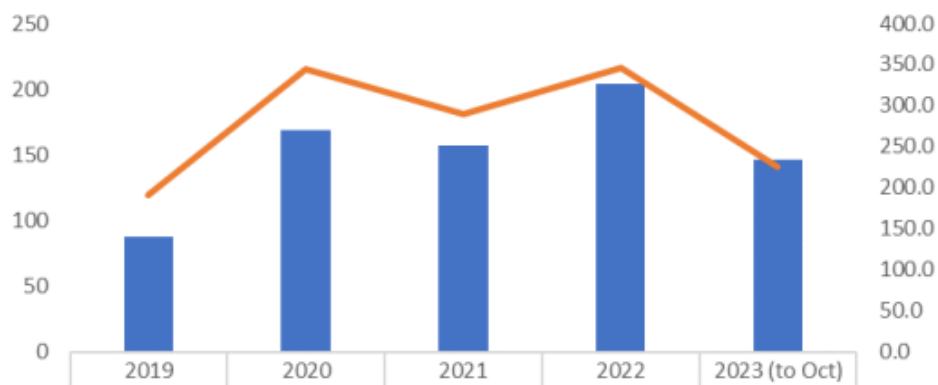
# Complaints and Tribunal information

## Number and rate of resolution cases



	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23
Stage 2	0	2	1	1	7	2	2	2	0	4	5	3	6	2
Stage 1	13	8	9	10	8	3	21	11	14	9	14	10	17	19
MP Enquiry	5	5	4	4	4	3	5	5	6	8	10	6	5	3
Local Resolution	13	22	18	8	11	16	17	14	17	16	19	13	19	10
General Enquiry	17	10	13	5	2	4	4	6	6	5	2	8	18	9
rate of resolution cases per 10,000 EHCPs maintained	84.2	81.2	77.3	47.7	54.5	47.2	81.3	62.2	69.7	67.3	79.6	63.8	102.2	66.6

## Number and rate of tribunals



Number of tribunals	88	169	157	204	146
Rate of tribunals per 10,000 EHCPs maintained	191.5	344.2	289.9	346.3	226.0

# Integrated Care Board investment

1. £4.6m was invested from the ICB in April 2023 to support additional specialist/clinical capacity across the pathways. Recruitment against this investment has commenced but the impact has not yet been realised

Area	2023/24	2024/25	Activity	Expected impact
<b>Community Paediatrics</b>	£780,000 - £1,321,000	£1,260,841	Recruitment to priority posts. Capacity to review patient pathways to identify MDT needed	97% increase in new appointments, 86% increase in follow up appointments
<b>Neurodevelopmental (ND) Diagnosis and ADHD Clinic Offer (5-19 Years)</b>	£1,143,000	£2,299,793	Recruitment to SPA and clinical roles	Management and meeting of demand for ND assessment. Improved timeliness of ADHD clinics
<b>Integrated Therapies Service</b>	£1,039,366	£1,039,366	Recruitment of additional therapists, continuation of OWL centre delivery, additional capacity in new commissioned service and training for staff in universal settings so they are better able to support children with therapy needs	Stabilisation of current and future service, and wider workforce better equipped and utilised to support therapy needs
<b>Non recurrent funding to support Early Intervention</b>	£1,698,268 - £1,157,268	£60,634	A range of activities to pilot new ways of working and deliver early intervention	Increased early intervention provision. Improved understanding of what works to inform needs-based model development

# SEND Inspection evaluation criteria

1. Children and young people's needs are identified accurately and assessed
2. Children, young people and families participate in decisions about plans and support
3. Children and young people receive the right help at the right time
4. Children and young people are well prepared for their next steps, and achieve strong outcomes
5. Children and young people are valued, visible and included in their communities
6. Leaders are ambitious for children and young people with SEND
7. Leaders have an accurate, shared understanding of the needs of children and young people in their local area
8. Leaders commission services and provision to meet the needs and aspirations of children and young people, including commissioning of alternative provision
9. Leaders evaluate services and make improvements
10. Leaders create an environment in which effective practice and multi-agency working can flourish

# SEND Inspection judgements

Inspection Outcome	Further inspection
<p>GRADE 1</p> <p>The local area partnership's SEND arrangements <b>typically lead to positive experiences and outcomes</b> for children and young people with SEND. <b>The local area partnership is taking action</b> where improvements are needed.</p>	<p>Full inspection usually within <b>5</b> years</p>
<p>GRADE 2</p> <p>The local area partnership's arrangements lead to <b>inconsistent experiences and outcomes</b> for children and young people with SEND. The local area partnership must work jointly to make improvements.</p>	<p>Full inspection usually within <b>3</b> years</p>
<p>GRADE 3</p> <p>There are <b>widespread and/or systemic failings leading to significant concerns</b> about the experiences and outcomes of children and young people with SEND, which the local area partnership must address urgently.</p>	<p>Submission of <b>Priority Action Plan</b></p> <p>Monitoring inspection usually within <b>18</b> months of the full inspection.</p>



# Area SEND Inspection Outcomes

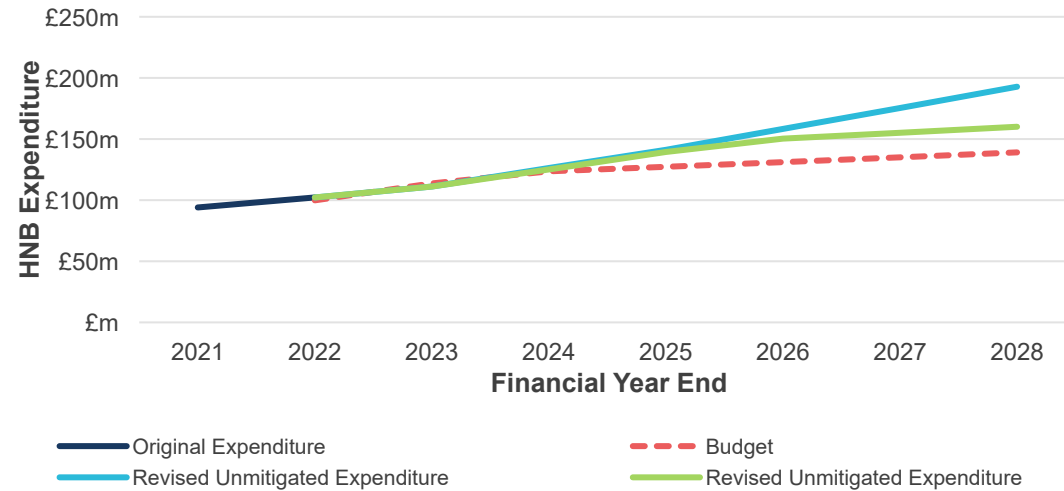
Area SEND Full Inspection Outcomes Summary (January 2023 - date)

LA	Region	Type	Visit Date	Publication Date	Outcome	Link to report
Nottinghamshire	EM	SEND	30/01/2023	16/05/2023	3	<a href="#">Report</a>
Warrington	NW	SEND	06/02/2023	05/05/2023	2	<a href="#">Report</a>
Cornwall	SW	SEND	06/02/2023	05/05/2023	2	<a href="#">Report</a>
Hartlepool	NE	SEND	13/03/2023	16/05/2023	1	<a href="#">Report</a>
Telford and Wrekin	WM	SEND	20/03/2023	03/07/2023	1	<a href="#">Report</a>
Enfield	GL	SEND	20/03/2023	02/08/2023	2	<a href="#">Report</a>
Brighton	SE	SEND	27/03/2023	31/05/2023	1	<a href="#">Report</a>
Greenwich	GL	SEND	11/05/2023	11/07/2023	1	<a href="#">Report</a>
Rutland	E	SEND	15/05/2023	03/08/2023	1	<a href="#">Report</a>
Gateshead	NE	SEND	22/05/2023	24/07/2023	2	<a href="#">Report</a>
Southend	E	SEND	23/05/2023	28/06/2023	2	<a href="#">Report</a>
Plymouth	SW	SEND	26/06/2023	22/08/2023	3	<a href="#">Report</a>
Sandwell	WM	SEND	03/07/2023	12/09/2023	2	<a href="#">Report</a>
Oxfordshire	SE	SEND	13/07/2023	15/09/2023	3	<a href="#">Report</a>
Hertfordshire	SE	SEND	10/07/2023	14/07/2023	3	<a href="#">Report</a>

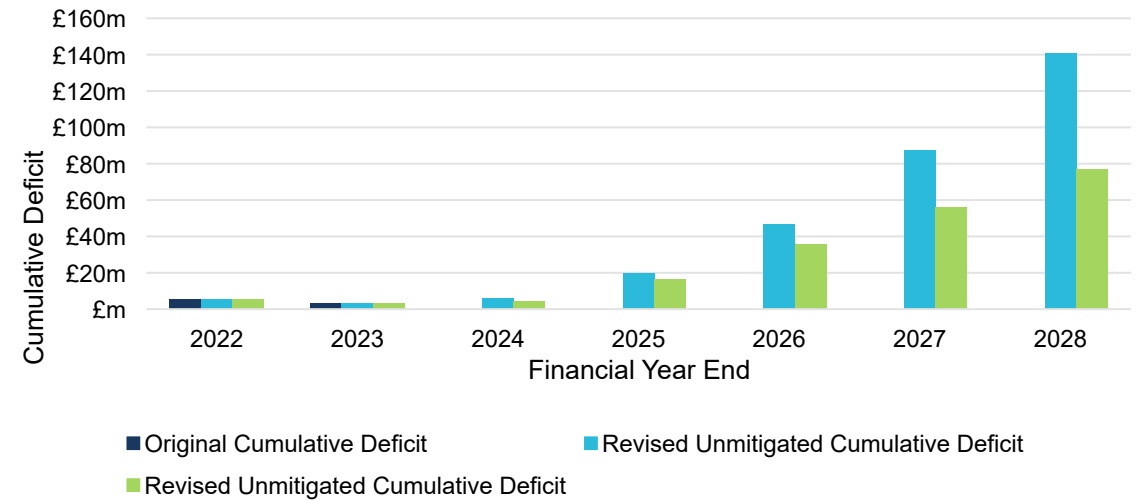
# Financial forecasts indicate that expenditure could rise by 57-88% which would lead to a deficit of £77- 141m in an unmitigated scenario

Forecasts are built for the unmitigated scenario, i.e. 'do nothing', to understand what baseline expenditure might look like without any improvement work. **Using modelling based on historical trends and assumptions based on local context from the Buckinghamshire team, it suggests a challenging picture for the future.** There are two scenarios with the main driver between the two being assumptions around whether unit costs would be maintained at current levels or if we expect them to continue to grow as they have done historically.

### Comparison of forecasted unmitigated expenditure (Upper and Lower Bound)



### Comparison of Lower Bound and Upper Bound HNB Cumulative Deficit



Projected overall expenditure									
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
UB Expenditure	-	-	£ 102m	£ 111m	£ 126m	£ 141m	£ 158m	£ 175m	£ 192m
LB Expenditure	-	-	£ 102m	£ 111m	£ 125m	£ 139m	£ 150m	£ 155m	£ 160m
HNB Allocation	-	-	£100m	£114m	£124m	£127m	£131m	£135m	£139m

Projected cumulative unmitigated deficit						
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Unmitigated Cumulative Deficit (UB)	-	£ 6m	£ 20m	£ 47m	£ 87m	£ 141m
Unmitigated Cumulative Deficit (LB)	-	£ 4m	£ 17m	£ 36m	£ 56m	£ 77m

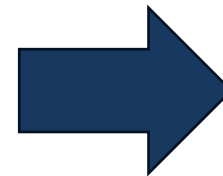
# SEND Place Assurance Function - Bucks

- October 2023

## SEND Assurance, Buckinghamshire - Aims

Our assurance process for Buckinghamshire will oversee the delivery of the Written Statement of Action priorities in relation to three priorities –

- **Integrated Therapies,**
- **Neurodevelopmental Pathway improvements,**
- **Community Paediatrics.**



Oversight will include:

- **Financial oversight of £4.6m investment by ICB** – ensuring best use of resources to deliver the aims of the SEND programme
- **Performance oversight of key outcomes** – ensuring providers are supported to deliver improvements in access (waiting times) and the experience of children and young people (to be determined by assurance framework)

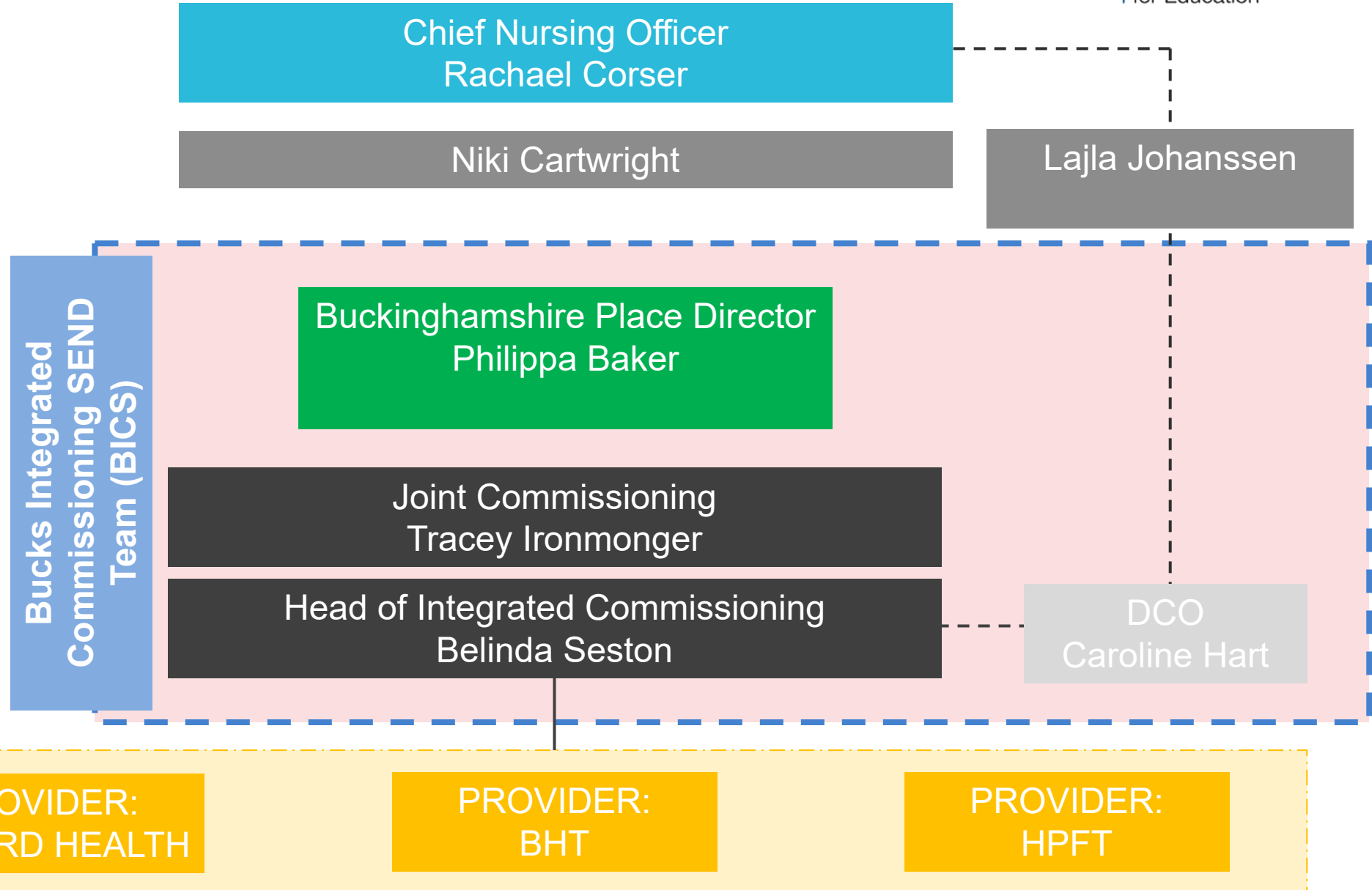
Alongside delivering this assurance function, the team will be contributing to the wider SEND Improvement programme via:

- Support to the wider transformation programme;
- Input to the National inspection/oversight/reporting progress;
- Supporting and embedding integrated and partnership approaches locally;
- Drawing on ICB support to explore and develop at scale and best practice interventions on SEND if appropriate.

# Structure - people

## The BICS team will:

- Develop a **comprehensive assurance framework for provider oversight,**
- Act as the **single point of contact for provider assurance,**
- Provide a clear line of sight on provider performance through **reports** upwards into BEP and SEND Boards



# Proposed SEND Partnership Governance

