



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](mailto:leedssendiass@leeds.gov.uk)



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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.**