Alongside our "You Said, We Did" Local Offer Report, the SEND and Inclusion Partnership (SILAP) were pleased to launch an Annual Survey for parents and carers on Monday, 6

October and the survey is open until Friday, 5 December 2025.

If you are a parent carer of a child or young person aged between 0 to 25 years old with special educational needs and/ or disabilities (SEND) who is receiving education or support in Gloucestershire then this survey is for you. If you know a family with SEND, do please pass it on for them to complete too.

The Annual Parent Carer Survey is our way of hearing from SEND families. It is an anonymous questionnaire that asks for feedback about the Education, Health and Care services and support available for children and young people with Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

We encourage SEND families to take this opportunity to share their views and experiences. It is helpful and important for us to hear about the advice, support and information they currently receive, how helpful it is, and how they think support and services can improve.

The information they share in the survey will help the SEND and Inclusion Partnership (SILAP) to better understand how to make continuous improvement to the services and offer for families.

The local area improvement plan has been developed from their feedback and the SEND Inspection. They can use this <u>link to the Improvement plan</u> to see the current priorities and progress.

Last year the survey was completed by 422 parent carers, predominantly from White British communities and with school-aged children between 5-16 years. The data was analysed and provided a baseline set of data for comparison. Feedback and views received have been responded to via the 'You Said, We Did' Annual Report.

## Widening participation

This year we are working closely with schools, settings, community connectors, family hubs and dozens of organisations in Gloucestershire's SEND community to hear from all communities across the county. In widening participation in the survey, we are especially encouraging those families with children in Early Years and those with young people aged 16-25 to engage.

In co-production with Gloucestershire Parent Carer Forum and SENDIASS, we have applied learning from last year, so this year's survey is shorter and easier to complete – average completion time is **12 minutes**.

# How do I complete the survey?

The survey is open from Monday, 6 October and remain open until Friday, 5 December 2025, at 5pm.

By clicking the following link, you can complete the <u>Annual Parent Carer Survey 2025</u>

#### Who do I contact if I would like a physical copy of the survey or have any queries?

The survey can also be made available as a hard copy. To request a hard copy of the survey please contact <a href="mailto:localoffer@gloucestershire.gov.uk">localoffer@gloucestershire.gov.uk</a>

## Who can I speak to if I need help with completing my survey?

If you need additional support in completing this survey, you can contact Gloucestershire Parent Carer Forum at <a href="mailto:info@glosparentcarerforum.org.uk">info@glosparentcarerforum.org.uk</a> or by messaging their <a href="mailto:Facebook">Facebook</a> page.

There are other organisations who are also able to support - you can find their details on <u>'Support for Families with SEND', Gloucestershire's Local Offer part of Glos Families Directory</u>

# Read more about the survey in the October's edition of the Families in Partnership newsletter

https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/families-in-partnership-newsletters/families-in-partnership-newsletter-october-2025/?pageNumber=1