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Letter to be circulated to parents and carers by Manchester City Council.

Inspection of Manchester City Council local area's effectiveness in identifying and meeting the needs of, and improving outcomes for, children and young people who have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) from Monday 22 November to Friday 26 November 2021.

Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission (CQC) will carry out jointly, an inspection of your local area. The Children and Families Act 2014 places duties on the local health, social care and education services that provide for children and young people with SEND. The inspection will evaluate how effectively the local area:

- identifies the needs of children and young people with SEND
- meets the needs of these children and young people so that their outcomes and chances of participating fully in society improve.

The views of children and young people with SEND, and the views of their parents and carers will be gathered during visits to a number of early years settings, schools, colleges and specialist services. These views are critical to the inspection process. During the inspection, Ofsted and CQC inspectors will be keen to speak to as many children and young people and their parents and carers as possible.

How can local children, young people, parents and carers contribute their views during this local area inspection?

There are several ways in which children, young people, parents and carers from your provision can engage with the inspection process and contribute their views:

1. The inspection will include a survey of parents and carers. The survey will be open from noon on Monday 15 November until 11:59pm on Tuesday 23 November 2021.

Parents and carers who would like to take part in this survey can follow this link:
<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/ManchesterCityCouncilLASENDInspection/>.

2. Parents and carers can email their contributions to Lasend.support@ofsted.gov.uk.

