

SEND Youth Forum

“In our words...”

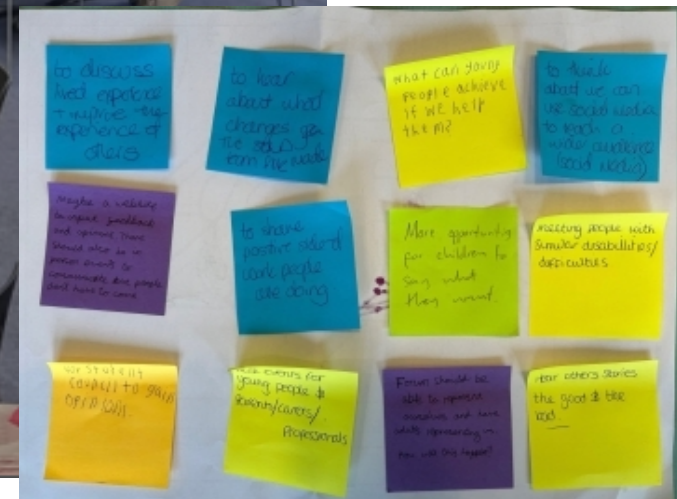
“To be current, you have to be current!”

Our ideas and words from the SEND Youth Forum

18 July 2024

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What we
did
18 June 2024

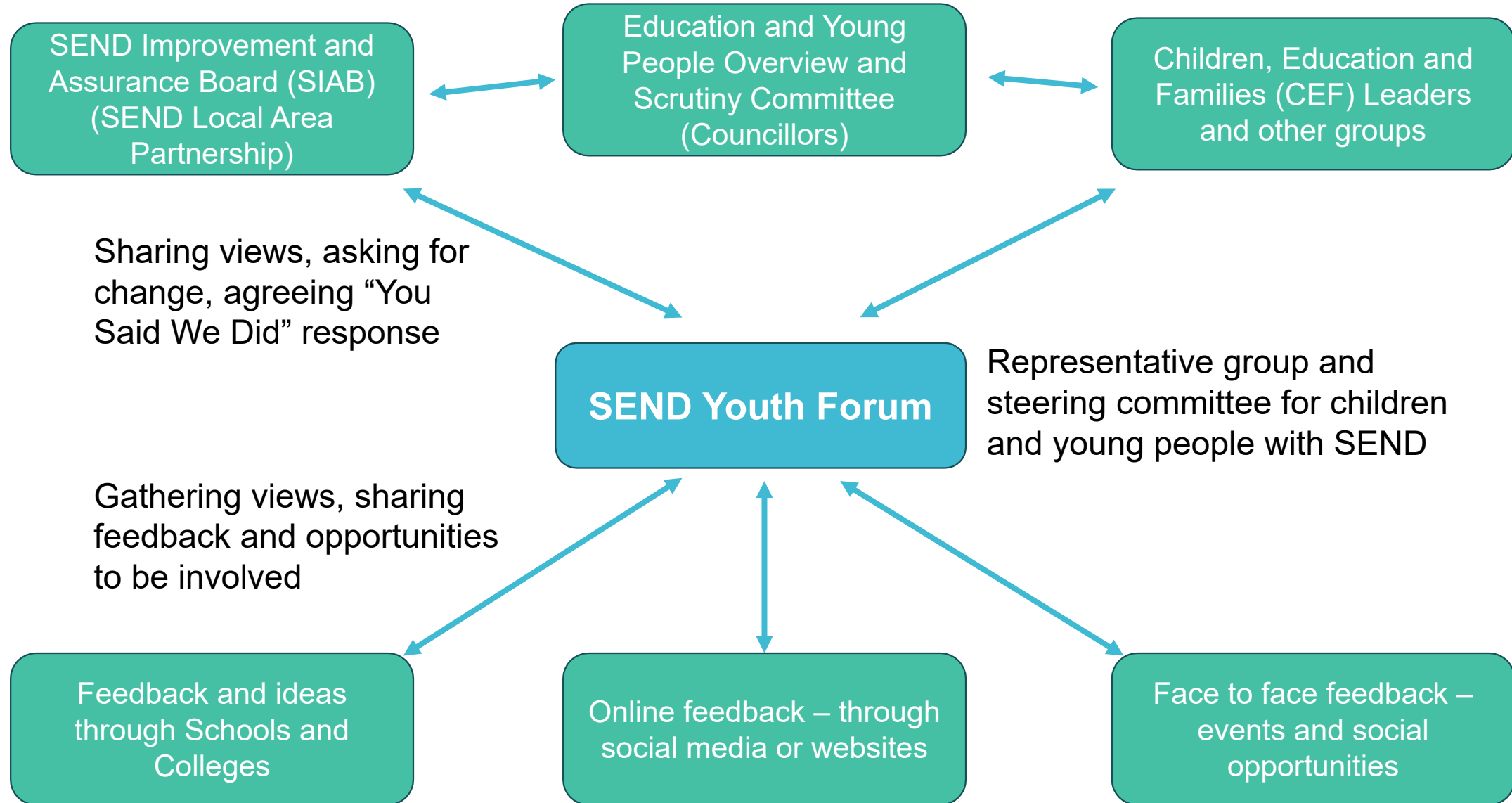


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SEND Youth Forum: Our purpose in our words

- To change the system, give people better support, and see what young people can achieve if we help them
- To give people opportunities to tell us their stories, feedback and what they want – online, through schools and at social events
- To hear about their lived experience – the good and the bad
- To represent that feedback and make sure that we get a response and share the positive work people are doing
- To make friends and make a difference

How we will link to other groups



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SEND Youth Forum: Important Topics

The topics that came up most frequently in our conversations were:

- **Social media** – using social media to share information, engage with other young people, and education on how to use social media safely
- **Access to after school /out of school clubs and opportunities to make friends**
- **Opportunities to get work experience and support with paid work**

Other topics that we identified included:

- Mental health, accessibility, support for new mums and dads, exclusions, how different schools can work together and increasing disability awareness

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SEND Youth Forum: Next Steps

We agreed to:

- Set up another SEND Youth Forum meeting in mid September and to try to get some more members of the SEND Youth Forum
- Ask SIAB (the board) if we can attend to share feedback and whether they will promise to respond to us
- Share details of the SEND Oxfordshire Conversation events, try to sign up and join if we are available, and to help Jo to share an update
- Create a short video explaining SEND Youth Forum in our own words

From September onwards we will work on how we give people opportunities to tell us their feedback and ideas – online, through schools and at social events