

Overview & Scrutiny Recommendation Response Pro forma

Under section 9FE of the Local Government Act 2000, Overview and Scrutiny Committees must require the Cabinet or local authority to respond to a report or recommendations made thereto by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Such a response must be provided within two months from the date on which it is requested¹ and, if the report or recommendations in questions were published, the response also must be so.

This template provides a structure which respondents are encouraged to use. However, respondents are welcome to depart from the suggested structure provided the same information is included in a response. The usual way to publish a response is to include it in the agenda of a meeting of the body to which the report or recommendations were addressed.

Issue: **Local Area Partnership Monitoring and Priority Action Plan**

Lead Cabinet Member(s): **Cllr Sean Gaul, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People**

Date response requested:² **17 March 2026**

Response to recommendations:

Recommendation	Accepted, rejected or partially accepted	Proposed action (if different to that recommended) and indicative timescale (unless rejected)
1. That the Council should set out a clear plan for the long-term sustainability and resourcing of targeted SEND support across Oxfordshire, ensuring that improvements made through the Local Area SEND Partnership can be maintained despite	Accepted	Subsequent to this meeting the Council are required by the DfE to set out a SEND Reform plan which will include a review of targeted SEND support across Oxfordshire, with financial commitments over the next 3 years. 30 th June 2026

¹ Date of the meeting at which report/recommendations were received

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ongoing financial and demand pressures.		
2. That the Council should provide an updated strategic statement on the purpose, role, and operational expectations of resource bases within Oxfordshire schools, including how these bases will be funded and supported in the medium- to long-term as part of the wider SEND Improvement Programme.	Accepted	<p>The Council are undertaking a sufficiency review currently with a focus on resource bases and committed funding and will publish a Position statement by 30th May 2026.</p> <p>A longer term sufficiency strategy will follow by December 2026.</p>