## Children and young people with an EHC plan maintained by East Riding of Yorkshire Council

This document should be read in conjunction with the SEN2 DfE Statistics (June 2023), also featured on the <u>ERY JSNA EHC plan webpage</u>.

## High level summary points

- In January 2023, there were 3,057 active East Riding EHC plans, an increase of 288 from the previous year. The number of EHC plans in East Riding increased by a higher percent than the region and England averages, most were for 11-15 years olds and the majority overall were males.
- More than half of East Riding children with EHC plans were in mainstream schools, a higher proportion than England and region.
- The proportion classified as not in education, employment or training (NEET) also higher in the East Riding.
- New plans issued in the East Riding have generally been increasing over time.
- The East Riding has had a steady increase of initial requests, a lower proportion of assessments resulting in an EHCP, but a higher percentage of EHCPs issued within 20 weeks.
- There are significantly higher rates of children and young people with an EHC plan living in, or close to, the coastal communities of the East Riding.
- There is also a significantly higher rate living within the most deprived 20% of communities within the East Riding, than any other East Riding community.

## 2 Expanded points

#### 2.1 General characteristics: As of 2023, the number of EHC plans in East Riding increased by a higher percent than the region and England averages, most were for 11-15 years olds and the majority overall were males.

- In January 2023, there were 3,057 active East Riding EHC plans, an increase of 288 from the previous year. This equated to a 10.4% increase in the East Riding, higher than the increases for region and England overall (9.2% and 9.3% respectively) during the same period. Since 2015, the number of EHCPs have risen steadily from 1,001 to 3,057 (in 2023). Over the past 5 years, there have been on average an additional 274 plans per year,
- The age groups with highest proportion of ECHP were 11-15 years (making up 36.4%) followed by 5-10 years (31.5%). These were also the highest within the region and England, both reporting similar proportions to the East Riding.
- At 71%, almost three quarters of EHC plans were for males in the East Riding, a similar amount recorded for region and England (both 72%).

# 2.2 Placement of EHCP: More than half of East Riding children with EHC plans were in mainstream schools, a higher proportion than England and region. NEETs also higher.

- In the East Riding, 50.4% of the 3,057 children with EHCP, were placed in mainstream schools, this was a higher percentage than both region and England (both approximately 41%).
- In contrast, 18.7% of East Riding children were placed in special schools, a lower proportion than region (31.1%) and England (33.2%).
- Those who had EHC plans who were not in education, employment or training (NEET) represented 5%, more than double the national average (2.3%) and higher than region (2.8%).

# 2.3 New plans issued: New plans issued in the East Riding have generally been increasing over time, despite a reduction from 2022.

- The number of new plans issued in the East Riding had been generally increasing since 2017 (163 plans) through to 2022 (402 plans). There was a reduction in plans between 2021 and 2022 (from 415 to 402), which was a 3.1% decrease. This was in contrast to region and England which both increased by 9.2% and 7.3% respectively.
- Whilst results for 2023 have not officially been released, it was noted that there was an increase between 2022 and 2023, which is expected to be higher than the increase of England overall.

# 2.4 Assessment Activity: East Riding has had a steady increase of initial requests, a lower proportion of assessments resulting in an EHCP, but a higher percentage of EHCPs issued within 20 weeks.

- The number of initial requests for an EHCP assessment saw a steady increase between 2016 (190 requests) and 2022 (546 requests). Between 2021 and 2022 there was an 11.9% increase in requests, this was lower than the increase seen both nationally & regionally (22.7% and 29.6% respectively).
- The proportion of assessments, in 2022, that resulted in an EHCP was 92.1% in the East Riding. lower than region and England (both approximately 94%).
- In 2022, 98.6% of East Riding EHCPs were issued within 20 weeks of the initial request (excluding exceptions), this was substantially higher than both England (49.2%) and region (62.6%). This percentage has been in excess of 90% since 2020 and has also been achieved in 2023 (although not officially published).