Early Years SEND Inclusion Fund
Extension Form

Part of funded early education entitlement

When to use this form

This form should be used when your setting has received SEND Inclusion Fund (SENDIF) funding for a child that is now coming to an end, and you have identified a need for the continuation of SENDIF support for the child’s needs. This form can only be used to apply for the same level of SENDIF funding that was previously allocated. If you are seeking a higher level of SENDIF funding, you should complete a full application.

Please note that there is no automatic entitlement to an extension of funding. You must attach evidence, such as professional reports and recent SEN Support Plans, to demonstrate that the criteria for SENDIF are met. This application will be considered by the SENDIF Panel.

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| **Section 1:** General Information |
| School/setting details |
| Setting name |  |
| Setting address |  |
| Name of SENCo |  |
| Phone |  | Email |  |
|  Child’s Name |  |  Date of Birth |  |
| Dates of funding period |  |
| Current Agreed SENDIF level | 1b / Medium Level |  | 1c / Higher Level |  |
| Section 2Provide a summary of how you have used the SEND Inclusion Fund (SENDIF) and the impact it has had on the child’s learning, development, and outcomes. Include the interventions and strategies that have been used and how professional recommendations have been delivered. Please attach the SEN support plan and reviews where appropriate.Important Note: Do not refer to one-to-one staffing, as this is not a permitted use of SENDIF |
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| Section 3Planned use of extension funding from the SENDIF |
| Please provide additional professional information and attach professional reports to demonstrate the need for an extension of SENDIF |
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| What additional interventions, strategies and practice do you intend to put in place with SENIF to support the child’s SEND needs and to continue to make progress? |
| Use the headings below to outline how you will spend the funding allocated to support the child’s outcomes. Include any additional funding you are already receiving to support the child’s learning and development i.e. EYPP, deprivation supplement and/or DAF. |
| Interventions above and beyond what would normally be provided |  |
| Delivery of professional recommendations |  |
| Specialist equipment recommend by professional |  |
| Differentiated curriculum |  |
| Section 4 - ConsentInformation from parent / carer and consent |
| For completion by the child’s parent / legal guardian onlyPlease provide further information, views or comments about your child to support this application *If you require any support outside of the setting, such as parenting support for managing behaviour, please do ask your setting or health visitor to make an Early Years Referral for Family Support or contact your local children’s centre for a wide range of support and advice.*  |
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| Parent/Legal Guardian and SENCo to sign: |
| Data Protection The information provided on this form will be used to inform decision-making. This means that the information provided on the form will be shared with the relevant staff members to guide their work for the duration of the support period. This form and any further related documentation and records of work carried out will be stored in a case file in your family name. If you have any questions about how your information is used, please visit: <https://www.merton.gov.uk/legal/privacy-and-cookies> |
| Parent / Carer Name |  |
| Parent / Carer signature\*  |  | Date |  |
| Parent/Carer Email |  | (required if you would like to receive confirmation of the Panel decision) |
| SENCo Name\* |  |
| SENCo Signature\* |  | Date |  |
| \* We cannot accept forms without a SENCo name and signature and parent/carer signature. Forms will be returned if these are not provided. |

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| Section 5Submitting the application information |
| * Please make sure you allow sufficient time and complete your application fully with full involvement from the family
* If approved by the SENDIF Panel, funding will be granted for either 2 (1b) or 3 (1c) terms or until the child starts in reception. (Please see page 12 of the Handbook)
* Incomplete applications will not be considered. If you have not answered all the questions or have not demonstrated how the criteria have been met, your application will not be considered and returned.
* We correspond with settings using encrypted email. Merton Council cannot be responsible if a message sent from a provider via standard (non-encrypted) email is accessed by an unauthorised person.
* PVI settings should email ey.funding@merton.gov.uk to request an encrypted email and follow the steps to reply attaching your completed form and supporting documents. Schools must return the form to the Providers group on USO-FX
* Forms submitted in hard copy (on paper) will not be processed and will be securely destroyed.
* You will receive notice of the outcome of the application in writing within 5 working days of Panel. London Borough of Merton will be unable to inform you of the outcome of the application through any other means
* When confirming the Panel decision with parents/carers, personal data will be anonymised / omitted
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