Request for Social Care input - EHCP Needs Assessment Referral

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| **Date of Request** |  | **Date Response Due** |  |

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| **Surname** |  | **Other names** |  |
| **Address including postcode** |  |
| **Date of Birth** |  | **Gender** |  |
| **Religion** |  | **Ethnicity** |  |
| **Home Language** |  | **Interpreter required (Y / N)** |  |
| **The year group CYP is learning in** |  | **Actual year group for age of CYP** |  |
| **Primary Special Educational Need** |  | **Additional needs** |  |
|  |  | **Legal care status**  |  |
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1. Is the above **currently** open to social care or related services (e.g. early help) YES/NO
2. Has child **previously** been known to any social care or related services?

YES/NO

If yes to question 1 or 2 above please provide details below:

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| **Service (e.g. CWD/Early Help, LAC etc.)** | **Details** |  **from** | **to** |
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1. Where there is no current involvement from social care/related services, are you satisfied that the above child/YP’s social care needs are currently being met? **YES/NO**

Please provide details of how needs are being met e.g. via family/universal services/early help etc.

If needs are not currently being met, what interventions or assessments are recommended:

Details:

**Taken from the council for disabled children’s publication: Identifying the social care needs of disable children and YP and those with SEN as part of EHC needs assessments.**

*Everyone needs some kind of support for their social care needs. For many children and young people that support is provided by friends, family, and local groups. But at times it may be necessary for particular support to be provided through social care services delivered or commissioned by local authorities.*

*Under the Children Act 1989 disabled children are regarded as ‘children in need’.* ***However, identifying the social care needs of disabled children and young people does not necessarily require an assessment by a social worker. In many cases needs can be met through universal services or early help without the need for a formal assessment,******provided there is a good understanding of those needs and families have access to clear information about what support is available*** *and how to get it. In some cases there will be a need for a more formal assessment.*

*When a local authority decides it may be necessary for special educational provision to be made for a child or young person though an EHC plan it must carry out an assessment of their special educational needs, and related health and care needs.* ***The local authority must seek social care advice as part of that assessment****.*