

Subject: Re: Presfield and Axel

From: Tony Fay <tfay@presfieldschool.org>

Date: 10/02/2023, 13:17

To: "Rowland, Sharon" <Sharon.Rowland2@lancashire.gov.uk>



Hi Sharon,

I have attached the communication/graduated response for Axel. You will see from this that there was a review (7th July) when the placement being terminated was discussed. You will also see the correspondence to Iain Calderbank informing him this was the case. You will also see the amount of attempts to seek clarification from Lancs we tried. I am sure you will also understand the frustration we have felt with the SEND department and their lack of engagement. This trail of course does not include the numerous calls and messages left, also unanswered.

While I appreciate staff turn over and poor communication between teams may have contributed to this situation we have tried to be proactive in the best interest of Axel. I don't believe I can say the say for Lancs.

From my perspective we did at the time "demonstrated via annual review documentation and evidenced" his unmet need. The problem was Lancs did not attend the review or respond to our letter 14/7/22 or subsequent requests. We have tried to work with Lancs but have found them a barrier as you will see from the documentation attached. We are not meeting his needs and he should be supported to find another provision.

Please let me know the outcome of your evaluation of this situation so Axel can get the support he undoubtedly needs for his mental health and well being.

I am aware this was all before your time and you may not be aware of the case history.

In case you do not have drive I will try and email the downloads separately as well.

regards

Tony

On Mon, 6 Feb 2023 at 17:31, Rowland, Sharon <Sharon.Rowland2@lancashire.gov.uk> wrote:

Good afternoon Tony

It was good to get to talk with you today and I appreciate that my response is a statutory response.

To clarify the Local Authority view, Axel is on roll as a Year 12 student and Presfield School is

named on his EHCP. I appreciate that you have stated previously to the Local Authority that you feel you cannot meet need. As shared today in our telephone conversation, this needs to be demonstrated via annual review documentation and evidenced as an unmet need, this would include evidence from external professionals such as a specialist teacher or educational psychologist. This would needed to be evaluated to evidence the graduated response.

Mr Rudakubana has emailed today requesting an update and did say he had spoken to you. I have advised Presfield School is named on the Education Health Care Plan and school would be in touch to discuss this further.

I am happy to discuss this further

Kind regards

Sharon

Sharon Rowland

SEND Case Manager SOUTH (ICP - 4)

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From: Tony Fay <tfay@presfieldschool.org>

Sent: 03 February 2023 16:28

To: Rowland, Sharon <Sharon.Rowland2@lancashire.gov.uk>

Subject: Presfield and Axel

Hi Sharon,

I have tried to ring you to talk through the situation with Axel.

Could you please call me back on Monday or offer me some times when you are available for a chat.

There appears to be some confusion re Axel and his place or lack of at Presfield.

Thanks

Tony

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