

Business case for Enhanced Resource Provision at Paignton Community and Sports Academy

Introduction

Initial discussions have been held with the Senior Leadership Team at PCSA regarding the option of setting up an Enhanced Resource Provision for Key Stage 3 pupils. This provision would specifically be for students who require a highly intensive support package in order to provide them with the best opportunity to succeed in a mainstream secondary school environment.

The students may have severe anxiety / separation anxieties and need substantial support with their academic learning. There may be some associated behavioural difficulties, however these will not be the main area of need.

Proposal

The intention is to initially develop a provision for 6 pupils, from September 2-18. This would be located at the Yalberton site with opportunities for mainstream integration when felt to be appropriate. Each student would be subject to an EHCP naming the provision, with regular reviews of progress and outcomes.

The intention is to return some students from out of area provisions, in addition to avoid having to place other students at costly out of area independent provision, which range from £40,000 to £55,000 per student each year.

This will also relieve some pressure on places at Combe Pafford, which is the other provision which is sometimes put in place due to no other options being available.

Costings

The proposed funding for this provision would initially be a full year cost of £60,000 (£10,000 per student) with a top up element according to pupil need.

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