



## Southwark Autism Strategy We need your help!

- Do you have autism?
- Are you a parent, carer, friend or family member of someone with autism?
- Do you work with people with autism?
- Do you have an interest in autism?

Southwark Council and Southwark CCG are developing a local Autism Strategy to improve the support for children and adults with autism. The Strategy will provide guidance for the planning and provision of local services.

Your feedback is vital! We want to know what services you want and need, and we want to know where we should prioritise our work.

We are holding some consultation events on 16 September to give you a chance to tell us directly what you think is needed in Southwark.

The events will be at Cambridge House, Addington Square, London SE5 OHF. Times are:

11am-12.30pm – session for professionals who work with people with autism

1-2.30pm – session for parents, carers and people with autism

3-4.30pm – session open to everyone

6-7.30pm – session open to everyone

Refreshments will be provided at each session.

To book a place on one of our sessions, please contact: Feza Lusinde on 0207 525 1789

Copies of the draft Autism Strategy will be available at the event. If you can't make an event, or want to get a copy before the event, you can find a copy on Southwark Council's website.

You can also tell us your thoughts online at <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Southwarkautism">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Southwarkautism</a> or by emailing <a href="mailto:autismstrategy@southwark.gov.uk">autismstrategy@southwark.gov.uk</a>

Responses must be received by 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2015.

We will be collecting everyone's comments and using them to develop a finalised Autism Strategy that will be published (along with an action plan) in January 2016.