



Case Study

June 2025



BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Issues and challenges before SENDIASS involvement.

School refusal to make alternative provision to ensure Young Person (YP) can attend school trip abroad, with peers, as part of her coursework.

Parent and YP concerns

- Diagnosis of cerebral palsy limits amount of walking YP can do. (Use of wheelchair needed at times).
- School informed parent they had to make alternative practical and financial solutions for YP to attend the trip. (Parent unable to do so).
- School refused to allow YP to attend trip.



SENDIASS INVOLVEMENT:

Specific actions and interventions provided by SENDIASS, include any strategies, support, or resources offered.

- Pre-meeting between SENDIASS, parent and YP. Advice given on disability discrimination and reasonable adjustments.
- SENDIASS gave parent information, advice and support in contacting the Equality Advisory Support Service.
- SENDIASS gave support to parent and YP in meeting with school.
- SENDIASS gave information and advice to parent on how to contact Coram Legal Centre to discuss legal aid for a disability discrimination case.



OUTCOMES:

Improvements, significant changes, achievements.

- School was able to find the resources to enable YP to attend the trip.
- YP was given the same access to the itinerary as her peers with added transport support if/when needed.
- Support from SENDIASS at planning meetings with trip lead, ensuring YP met her support worker for the trip and knew the itinerary.
- Confirmation of alternative options during the trip in case YP became too tired or overwhelmed.