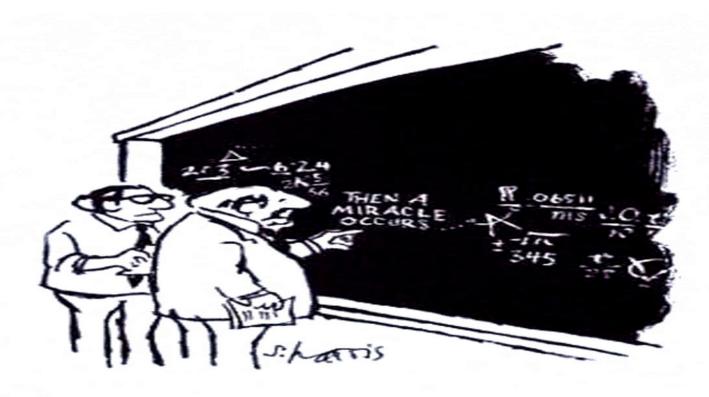
WHAT SHOULD THE LOCAL OFFER PROVIDE FOR DEAF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE?

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"I THINK YOU SHOULD BE MORE EXPLICIT HERE IN STEP TWO."

Governments View

Edward Timpson SEN Minister Jan 7th

"The local offer would enable families to see readily what they can expect from mainstream services across education, health and social care; how to access more specialist support; how decisions are made including eligibility criteria for accessing services, where appropriate; and how to complain or appeal. Local authorities would be required to involve local children, young people and families in developing their local offer to take account of their needs and aspirations."

Accountability

- "A local authority must from time to time publish.
- (a) comments about its local offer it has received from or on behalf of children and young people with special educational needs, and the parents of children with special educational needs, and
- (b) the authority's response to those comments."

Local Offer for Deaf Children and Young People

- Low Incidence of deafness and hearing loss
- Need for specialist services-how are these going to provided within the Local Offer?
- Trigger points within schools for delivering support given the removal of school action and school action plus
- Special School provision-where does it fit-out of county placements as part of the Offer?
- Improving outcomes for deaf children and young people
- Provides support from birth-newborn screening through to young adult support services

WHAT SHOULD IT LOOK LIKE FOR DEAF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE?

Local Offer for Deaf Children and Young People

- Role of the voluntary sector for provision and also mutual support and information
- Eligibility criteria and role of LA's using high needs funding block
- Ensures that services between Education, Health and Social Care are joined up
- Clear view of how the Education Health and Care Plan integrates with school and other services
- Communication support routinely provided to the right level
- Visibility of need-how are we going to ensure that deaf children, young people and their families have a voice?

Dear Optimist, Pessimist, and Realist,

While you guys were busy arguing about the glass of water, I drank it!

Sincerely, The Opportunist

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