**Freedom of Information Request 12-13/116**

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| 1. *How many adults you have with a diagnosis of autistic spectrum disorder (any, although if there are separate statistics for Asperger's, HFA, LFA, they would be appreciated) in your area* | |
| ***Brighton & Hove*** | *Within Brighton and Hove approximately 1,763 adults aged 18-64 years have been diagnosed autism.* |
| ***East Sussex Downs & Weald / Hastings & Rother*** | *The PCT does not formally commission an autism diagnostic service and as such, we do not hold this information. A consultant-led clinic is provided by the Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust and you may therefore wish to redirect your request to them at* [*foi@sussexpartnership.nhs.uk*](mailto:foi@sussexpartnership.nhs.uk) |
| ***West Sussex*** | *We do not hold this information. Clinical records for mental health and learning disability services are held by the Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust. They also provide the clinical diagnostic service for adults with autistic spectrum disorder.* |
| 1. *How many children* | |
| ***Brighton & Hove*** | *We do not hold this information. This service is provided by the Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust* |
| ***East Sussex Downs & Weald / Hastings & Rother*** | *We do not hold this information. The ASD service for children is split across age groups. Children aged 0-11 are assessed and seen by a paediatrician within East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust. Children aged 11 and over are assessed by the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) hosted by the Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust. You may therefore with to redirect your request to these organisations at* [*foi@esht.nhs.uk*](mailto:foi@esht.nhs.uk) *and* [*foi@sussexpartnership.nhs.uk*](mailto:foi@sussexpartnership.nhs.uk) *respectively.* |
| ***West Sussex*** | *We do not hold this information. This service is provided by Sussex Community NHS Trust and you may therefore wish to redirect your request to them at* [*sc-tr.foi@nhs.net*](mailto:sc-tr.foi@nhs.net) |
| 1. *What diagnostic services are available to a) adults and b) children* | |
| ***Brighton & Hove*** | 1. *Diagnosis is primarily through the Neuro behavioral clinic with small numbers of adults with learning disabilities are diagnosed by the learning disability psychiatrist* 2. *Diagnostic services are provided by the Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust* |
| ***East Sussex Downs & Weald / Hastings & Rother*** | *a) Diagnostic services are provided by the Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust.*  *b) An ASD monitoring and Support group for families with children with a diagnosis of ASD is provided by East Sussex County Council – please see link below:*  [*http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies/specialneeds/childrenwithadisability/autism/default.htm*](http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies/specialneeds/childrenwithadisability/autism/default.htm) |
| ***West Sussex*** | 1. *A diagnostic service for adults is provided by the Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust. Further details can be found in the document attached to our response to 4. & 5.* 2. *Diagnostic services for children are provided by the Sussex Community NHS Trust.* |
| 1. *What agencies or teams you have that work with autistic people, provide support/services, strategise, etc* | |
| ***Brighton & Hove*** | *Brighton and Hove City Council:* [*www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/index.cfm?request=c1107681*](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/index.cfm?request=c1107681)  [*www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/index.cfm?request=c1185575*](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/index.cfm?request=c1185575)  *Place to Live:* [*www.brightpart.org/place2live.php*](http://www.brightpart.org/place2live.php) *Sussex Partnership Foundation Trust:* [*http://www.nhs.uk/Services/Trusts/Overview/DefaultView.aspx?id=2725*](http://www.nhs.uk/Services/Trusts/Overview/DefaultView.aspx?id=2725)  *Assert:* [*www.assertbh2.org.uk*](http://www.assertbh2.org.uk) *(*[*sarahb.assertbh@yahoo.co.uk*](mailto:sarahb.assertbh@yahoo.co.uk)*) Aspire:* [*www.bh-impetus.org/aspire*](http://www.bh-impetus.org/aspire) *Autism Sussex:* [*www.autismsussex.org.uk*](http://www.autismsussex.org.uk) *(*[*alex.reeve@autismsussex.org.uk*](mailto:alex.reeve@autismsussex.org.uk)*)  Autism Education Trust:* [*www.autismeducationtrust.org.uk/theden*](http://www.autismeducationtrust.org.uk/theden) *The National Autistic Society:* [*www.autism.org.uk*](http://www.autism.org.uk) *East Sussex County Council:* [*www.eastsussex.gov.uk/autism*](http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/autism) *West Sussex County Council:*  *Details for services supporting adults in West Sussex are provided in Appendix 3 of the attached document* |
| ***East Sussex Downs & Weald / Hastings & Rother*** |
| ***West Sussex*** |
| 1. *An email address/website for each of these agencies or teams where possible* | |
| ***Brighton & Hove*** | *Please see response to question 4. above.* |
| ***East Sussex Downs & Weald / Hastings & Rother*** |
| ***West Sussex*** |
| 1. *What the typical process should be for an adult in your area first asking their GP for an assessment for autistic spectrum disorder to receiving a diagnosis/support* | |
| ***Brighton & Hove*** | *Access to diagnosis is via the GP who refers to a psychiatrist who subsequently refers to the diagnostic clinic.* |
| ***East Sussex Downs & Weald / Hastings & Rother*** |
| ***West Sussex*** |