

Managed Move

What is it?

A pupil can transfer to another school as part of a managed move.

Why would we use it?

The managed move process seeks to provide early intervention in regard to pupils with challenging behaviour, and to establish a means to ensure continuity of education without recourse to exclusion. Typically, a managed move is most successful following a serious one-off incident. However a pupil may still be considered when they are presenting persistent behavioural challenges and multiple fixed term exclusions (and the possibility of a permanent exclusion) may have occurred. Where a child is displaying persistent disruptive behaviour it is vital that the process is fully transparent and that realistic expectations are set for all parties.

Evidence from various Kent local collaborative forums suggests that strong school collaboration in the area is key to the success of local Managed Move arrangements which lead to reduction in exclusions.

Through effective use of IYFA and Managed Moves, several districts in Kent including Ashford, Canterbury and Tunbridge Wells have achieved an excellent record of 0 permanent exclusions.

How does it work?

In Kent, most districts manage Managed Move through local collaborative In Year Fair Access (IYFA) Panel. Local schools have agreed to a protocol which set out the principles and procedures in relation to IYFA and Managed Move. A clear protocol ensures a joint ownership of local inclusion agenda which place children's needs at the centre of all arrangements.

IYFA Panels meet regularly, mostly chaired by an independent Chairperson.

It is important to note that this procedure cannot apply to pupils with a Statement of Special Educational Needs. Head teachers should contact the SEN Assessment and Monitoring Team if it is their view that such a pupil requires a Managed Move.

How can we find out more?

- [Example of an effective Fair Access Protocol that helps the area achieve 0 permanent exclusion](#) – Canterbury IYFA and Inclusion Panel
- [Details of Kent IYFA Policy and arrangements](#)