

Service Description

Senior Financial Advisers

Senior Financial Advisers will provide advisory support to local authorities within a region as they work to effectively manage their high needs system and ensure services to children and young people with SEND are sustainable. They will lead on the most complex casework in the region and act as a point of escalation for challenging issues requiring senior expertise.

Requirements:

- Chartered Accountant – CIPFA, CIMA, ICAEW, ICAS, ACCA
- Former or current Chief Financial Officer (CFO) in a local authority
- Have strong knowledge of local government finance
- Support local authorities to produce a robust high needs recovery plan, offering challenge where needed to support improvements
- Support the Department for Education to undertake reviews, as required, of relevant local authorities' progress against high needs recovery plans.
- Provide written reports on local authorities' progress to DfE as required.
- Provide other high needs support services to local authorities as required by DfE.

MAXIMUM DAY RATE: up to £900 per day exclusive of VAT

Advisers will be required to commit to a minimum of 30 days during the year. This will be flexible but likely to translate to a minimum of 2-3 days per month, with opportunity for additional days on a demand-led basis.

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Requirements:

- Chartered Accountant – CIPFA, CIMA, ICAEW, ICAS, ACCA
- Experience of working in a local authority, or a strong understanding of LA finance
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MAXIMUM DAY RATE: up to £750 per day exclusive of VAT

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