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Linda joined us in October 2023, after living in the Mole Valley area for 10 years. She had a long career as a primary teacher, working with children with a variety of SEND and their families to ensure their education was the best it could possibly be. This wealth of experience in the education sector gives her an understanding about how provision for children with special educational needs within their setting, has a huge impact on the child, their family and the school. Linda has been supporting parents outside of Family Voice Surrey for 4 years and now joins us to continue to build on this with our members.

Linda has two daughters, her oldest was diagnosed ASD when she was 6. She has a great understanding of the diagnosis, EHCP application and school placement process and knows the battles that parents sometimes face to get the right provision. She personally knows that when provision isn't in place, it's not only the child that suffers! Linda feels passionately that disability should not be a barrier in life and that parent carers must be heard to ensure their young person has all the opportunities they deserve.