

# ***London Borough of Bexley***

## ***News Release***

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### **BEXLEY SECURES EXTERNAL FUNDING FOR DIGITAL PROJECT TO HELP LOCAL FAMILIES**

The development of digital solutions that will benefit Bexley residents received a boost this week, with the news that the Council has secured £25,000 to help transform its services for local families.

This funding is the result of a successful bid by the Council to the Local Government Association. The LGA invited bids to a new fund designed to support IT-based projects that support the integration of health and social care, welfare reform and troubled families.

Bexley's successful bid will help finance a data analytics system to link the Council's existing Employment and Skills Management Information System, housing, and troubled families' data. This will help Bexley's work of intervening early to tackle financial exclusion. As well as improving life for the families involved, it will deliver both short and longer-term savings for taxpayers.

The bid was one of only 20 winning schemes chosen from 111 bids. All the chosen solutions can be reused by other councils.

Bexley's Acting Chief Executive Paul Moore said: "This is just one example of the work that is going on across the Council to improve services for local people and save public money. It's also further evidence of our success in securing external funding that will help our residents."

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