

**Report for:** Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee

**Item number:** To be added by the Committee Section

**Title:** IRO annual report 2023-24

**Report authorised by :** Ann Graham, Director, Children's Services

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**Ward(s) affected:** N/A

**1. Describe the issue under consideration**

- 1.1 The Independent Reviewing Officers (IRO) annual report for 2023/24 evaluates how the Independent Reviewing Officer service has influenced the planning and outcomes for children and young individuals in the care of Haringey.

**2. Recommendations**

For Members to note the outcomes of the annual report for 2023/24

**3. Reasons for decision**

N/A

**4. Background information**

- 4.1. In compliance with section 118 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002, the appointment of an Independent Reviewing Officer (IRO) for a child or young person in the care of the Local Authority is a legal obligation. Specifically, the Care Planning, Placement, and Care Review (England) Regulations 2010 pertain to children in local authority care, aiming to enhance the quality of care planning processes to optimise outcomes for these children.

**5. Contribution to strategic outcomes**

N/A

**6. Use of Appendices**

Appendix 1 – IRO annual report 2023-24

7. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985