

Appendix One: Progress report on outcomes for children in care supported by Haringey Youth Justice Service

Extra Ordinary meeting of Corporate Parenting Advisory Group and Children, Young People and Schools Scrutiny

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Recommendations from previous CPAC

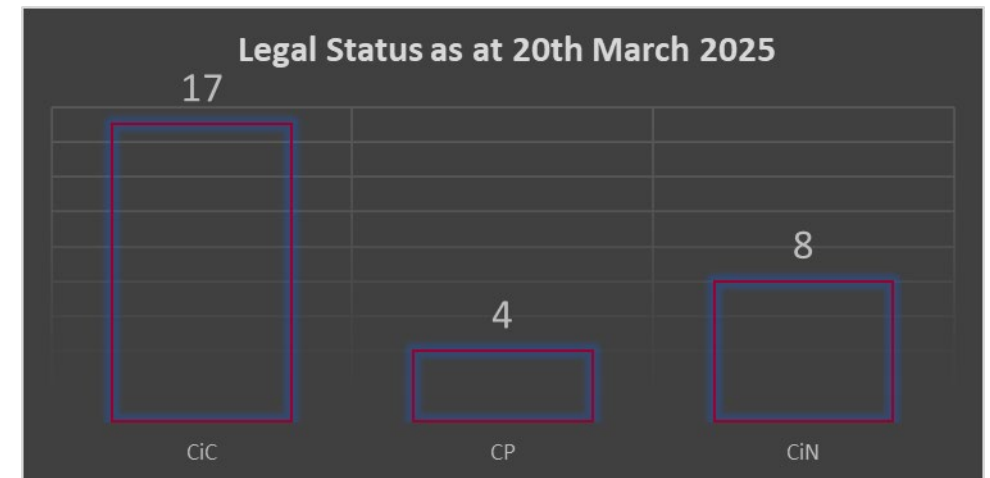
- ▶ Youth Justice Service (YJS) to produce an annual report for CPAC on the outcomes for children in care (CIC) supported by YJS with a targeted approach,
- ▶ Deep dive of CIC cases over a longer period to see trends with a view to improve outcome – findings to be presented in annual progress update.
- ▶ YJS attend CPAC biannually providing an overview of data, interventions, outcomes and impact.
- ▶ CIC to remain a priority for the YJS in our Annual YJ Plan 2024/27
- ▶ Further focus on Community Intervention plans for CIC children.

Current CiC Numbers

The latest YJS caseload currently stands at 68 children as of 20th March 2025.

- ▶ 15 (22%) have an EHCP
- ▶ 17, or 25% are currently CiC
 - ▶ 10 (59%) are Haringey CiC
 - ▶ 3 (18%) are CiC due to their remand to custody
 - ▶ 3 (18%) are placed elsewhere (W Forest, Barking & Dagenham) We have one child placed in a secure centre in Durham on welfare grounds
- ▶ Haringey are caretaking seven cases – (Enfield 2, Croydon, Hackney, Ealing, K&C and Westminster)

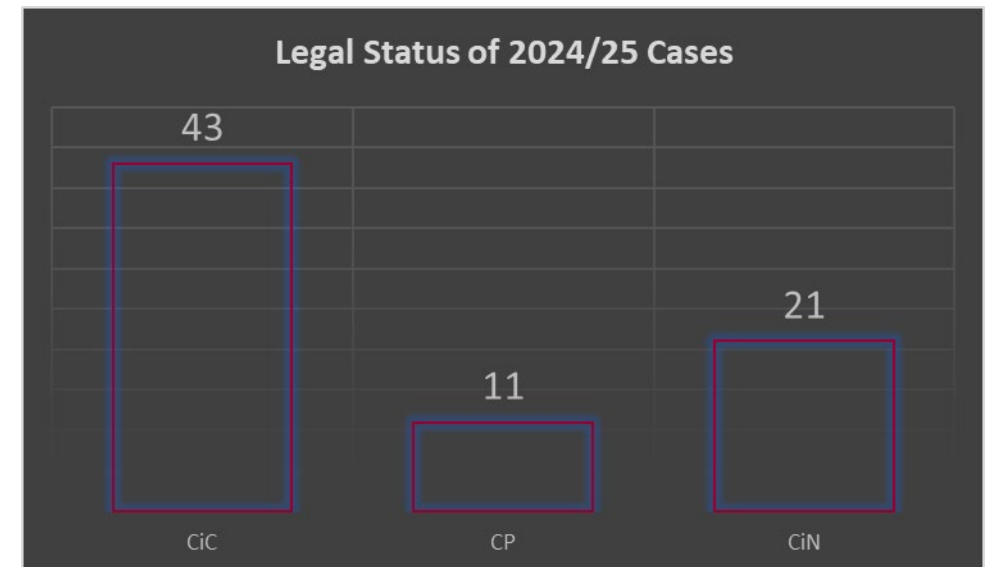
Status	No	% of Caseload
Current Caseload	68	
CiC	17	25%
CP	4	6%
CiN	8	12%
Total open to CS	29	43%



Annual 24/25 CIC Numbers

- ▶ We have had 196 children on disposals since April 2024.
- ▶ 43 (22%) were CiC at some point over this period,
 - ▶ Of these, 32 (72%) are Haringey CiC
 - ▶ 14 (33%) were in custody
 - ▶ 8 (19%) were placed elsewhere. Redbridge, Enfield, LBBD, W Forest, Herts, Reading, Birmingham. One child was in secure in Durham on welfare grounds.
 - ▶ 11 (26%) were placed in Haringey by other boroughs – Enfield 2, Ealing, Essex, Hackney, K&C, Newham, Harrow, Brent, Croydon, Westminster
 - ▶ 23, or 12% had an EHCP

Status	No	% of Caseload
Current Caseload	196	
CiC	43	22%
CP	11	6%
CiN	21	11%
Total open to CS	75	38%



YJS Resources:

- CAMHS
- SLT
- Substance Misuse
- Well-being packs
- Education support
- Workshops
- Additional contacts when placed out of borough

Apr 24 to Mar 25	Non-CiC Population	CiC Population
Total Cases	81	25
Average Age of First OOC	14.2	13.1
Average Age of First Conviction	15.7	14.6
Average ASSET+ YOGRS Score (% Risk of Reoffending)	42.1	51.8
Not in Education (NEET)	35%	30%
Over 15 Offences Committed	8%	12%
Average No of Offences Charged (ever) per YP	6.3	9.4
Average Gravity of Seriousness Rating	3.0	3.5
Violent Offence committed (% of all offences)	26%	27%
Robbery Offence committed (% of all offences)	4%	17%
Drugs Offence committed (% of all offences)	21%	12%
Committed offence(s) with knife inc possession	40%	57%
Re-Offending Rate	23%	29%
Breach Rate	33%	54%
High Safety and Wellbeing	32%	61%
High Serious Harm	14%	26%
High Likelihood of Re-offending	25%	39%
Mental Health Concerns (ASSET Plus)	61%	83%
Evidence of Substance Misuse (ASSET Plus)	62%	78%
Physical Health Concerns (ASSET Plus)	23%	4%
Education Concerns	75%	87%
Housing/Accommodation Concerns	57%	75%
Risk of sexually harmful behaviour	4%	4%
Vulnerable to Criminal Exploitation	72%	83%
Behaviour Cause for Concern	96%	95%
Local tensions	64%	67%
Offending by Family Members	36%	25%
Experienced Loss/Bereavement	20%	38%

Key Indicators

This dataset includes all children with an outcome since April 24 that have been through our assessment process and compares CiC to the non-CiC cohort.

Those highlighted in red have a poorer outcome

Key Outcomes

Key 24/25 Targets

To improve outcomes for the YJS Looked After Cohort by reduce the percentage of CiC with the following identified risks in the child's most recent YJS assessment.

	Latest (Mar 25)
Reduce those with ETE Concerns to 80% (prev 90%)	87%
Reduce those with Substance Misuse concerns to 75% (prev 90%)	78%
Reduce those with High Risk of Serious Harm to 23% (prev 28%)	26%
Reduce those with High Risk of Safety and Wellbeing to 56% (prev 66%)	61%
Reduce those that breached/did not complete their intervention to 31% (prev 46%)	54%

Key challenges for YJS and Partnership

- ▶ Children's legal status can fluctuate between child in need, child protection and children in care, or they become a CIC if placed in Youth Detention Accommodation.
- ▶ The percentage of children placed in borough are small which means that only a small selection of children are receiving local services
- ▶ Youth Justice, Social Care and SEND responsibilities are all different for when children are placed out of borough.
- ▶ The YJS are reliant on host boroughs to carry out YJS assessments if child is not known to Haringey YJS prior to the original offence.
- ▶ Frequent changes of placements or being placed far away can impact on the relational work with the child by the professional network. Suitability of placements and area/location can sometimes not match with needs and ethnicity of the child.
- ▶ Strategy meetings impacted when professionals don't attend or refuse due to different interpretation of risks or different practices across different areas eg) borough command units (BCU's).

YJS Update on work planned and ongoing

- ▶ New improvement targets were set to improve the lives and outcomes of our CIC cohort – these have been published in our Annual Youth Justice Plan 24-27
- ▶ Targeted work aimed at our CIC cohort – MOPAC Disproportionality Mentoring Project, pilot Social Prescribing models.
- ▶ Wellbeing packs for all CIC on the YJS Cohort
- ▶ Aspirations to Increase the CIC AQA achievements
- ▶ Aspirations to create a CiC residential in spring 25/26.
- ▶ Increase the understanding and experience of Stop and Search for CIC
- ▶ Development of the task and finish group representation from YJS, Safeguarding, SEND and Education with the aim to share the children in care data, understanding some of the barriers and identifying the opportunities to change practices in order to improve outcomes for children.

Task and Finish group key reflections and actions

YJS and CYPS Joint Protocol reviewed and updated in line with new and relevant legislations and practices

CYPS Audit Tool amended to capture YJS involvement and children's lived experiences in Youth Detention accommodation

YAS are completed a mini self assessment audit on joint cases with YJS to look at working practices and outcomes for children.

YJS CIC data is shared with children services and SEND management teams on a monthly or quarterly basis.

YJS completed a Learning Review of a child that was remanded into Youth Detention Accommodation

Review of the Reducing Criminalisation of looked after children and care leavers protocol into practice

Review the support for children when placed out of borough that are in need of education support via virtual school

YJS Asset Plus Assessment, CIC Pathway Plans and Safety Plans need to be shared more frequently

To review the current CiC cohort and ensure that relevant EHCP have been completed / Reviewed including those out of borough

YJS completed the Top 20 most prolific offenders audit/report

YJS Inspection report Mar 25

(Overall grading of Good with outstanding features)

“The YJS and children’s services had effective strategic and operational relationships with an understanding of their differing roles and responsibilities. Inspectors saw examples of collaborative work to support children and families, as well as effective challenge and escalation where required.”