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| <b>Report for:</b> | <b>Children's Safeguarding Policy and Performance Advisory Committee</b> |
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| <b>Title:</b> | <b>Work with families who have No Recourse to Public Funds</b> |
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The No Recourse to Public Funds Team is based within the First Response Team. It comprises of a manager, 2.7 social workers and an Immigration/Human Rights Advisor.

The team undertake assessments of all contacts received regarding families who may or may not have a pending immigration application with the Home Office. The team only offers ongoing support to those families who have a pending immigration application. It offers advice to those that do not and signposts elsewhere.

The support can include a combination of housing and or subsistence. The amounts of subsistence are clearly defined, as is the type of housing available at the time.

The majority of families who meet the criteria for support originate from Ghana or Jamaica.

The team work closely with the UKBA in attempting to progress the immigration applications to solution – whether this be the granting of indefinite leave to remain or refusal. Whilst the immigration applications are pending, Haringey retains responsibility for housing and subsistence costs. The ongoing work with the UKBA is key, as they are responsible for the progression and outcomes of claims and appeals.

**See presentation attached for more detail.**