Appendix 2 : RESPONSE BY THE CHILDREN'S SERVICE TO RECOMMENDATIONS - December 2016

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Disproportionality in Youth Justice

R	ecommendation & Action	Lead & others to be involved	Timescale	Agreed Partially/Agreed Not Agreed	Comments
1.	That the Youth Justice Service be requested to engage with the Youth Justice Partnership Board in order to assist with further analysis of relevant data on disproportionality and that this process includes consideration of the over representation of young people classifying themselves as "Black other" in order to seek to establish the reasons that might be behind this. (<i>Recommendation 2.5</i>)	Simon Stone Service Manager – Haringey Youth Justice & Steve Milne – Haringey Youth Justice Performance Manager	March 2017	Agreed	The Council's Youth Justice Service will be undertaking further analysis of data including its implementation of the Youth Justice Board's Disproportionality Tool. The analysis will be deeper than the Disproportionality Tool can currently provide to include analysis of re-offending data and comparison with other areas with similar demographics of Haringey. Analysis will include the level of disproportionality amongst young people identifying themselves as "Black other", with the aim of determining the factors that might contribute to this.
2.	That the Council and partners in Haringey who provide services affecting young people at risk of entering the Youth Justice system be requested, as a key part of their response to the Charlie Taylor	Haringey Youth Justice Partnership Board Chair- Zina Etheridge DCEO LBOH Jennifer Sergeant	April 2017	Agreed	The Ministry of Justice's Review into the Youth Justice System (being led by Charlie Taylor) is due to report at the end of the year/early next year. It is expected to recommend significant reforms to the structure and responsibilities of local Youth Offending Teams as well as devolving the budget and commissioning responsibilities for youth custody to regional bodies. The review may also

review, to;	Head of Targeted Response and Youth Justice			make recommendations on the proportionality of responses and procedures of the police and other agencies in contact with young people, linking with a separate review currently being led by MP David Lammy into BAME representation in the criminal justice system.
Hold an open consultation on the future of youth justice services and place the reduction of ethnic disproportionality at the heart of this.	Jennifer Sergeant Head of Targeted Response and Youth Justice	April 2017	Agreed	Haringey's Youth Justice Partnership Board's Youth Justice Transformation work stream includes consultation on plans and co-production of future services with local communities and young people in shaping its preparedness and readiness for Haringey's response to Charlie Taylor Review, and the Lammy Review.
• Review their policies, procedures and service outcomes to satisfy themselves and the community that they are meeting their public sector equality duty under the Equalities Act, treating all children and young people equitably and activities and interventions are meeting the needs of all within the borough, regardless of race, ethnicity or any other factors. (2.19)	Haringey Youth Justice Partnership Board – Chair Zina Etheridge LBOH DCEO	May 2017		When these wider reforms are made to the structures, responsibilities and processes across the youth justice system, we will ensure that disproportionality within the youth justice system and equality considerations feature prominently and inform Haringey's own local response. Equality and disproportionately will be a key part of our local consultation process on any future reform to local youth justice services, and should become an identifiable work stream as part of our local response to both the Charlie Taylor Review and Lammy Review. In line with our public sector equality duty, Equality Impact Assessments will be carried out by lead service officers to inform any major policy or service change to Haringey's local youth justice system.
				The Council will also ensure that addressing disproportionality in the youth justice system is

				actively captured and reported in its own internal governance and performance framework through the Haringey's Young People's Strategy Priority 1 and 3 Board's. This strongly ties into the work the Council is undertaking on tackling social exclusion and promoting a fairer and more equal borough. The methodology and audit arrangements will be negotiated for agreement with stakeholder and statutory partners of the Youth Justice Partnership Board to provide assurance of engagement of agencies review through EQIA of their policies, procedures and outcomes .
 That the final report of the Panel's review be submitted formally on behalf of the Council to the Lammy Review of BAME representation in the Criminal Justice System. (2.20) 	Jon Abbey – DCS/LBOH Gill Gibson – AD- Early Help & Prevention Jennifer Sergeant Head of Targeted Response & Youth Justice.	Dec. 2016	Agreed	A formal submission to the Lammy Review will be made after 13 th December 2016, Cabinet meeting.

Aspiration and Career Pathways

Service with schools to determine the most effective use of Pupil Premium funding in addressing literacy and promote the sharing of good practice. (4.6)	Rory Kennedy Gill Gibson, Early Help and Prevention Schools Forum	March 2017	Partially Agreed	Use of Pupil Premium funding is a key focus of Ofsted inspections and is therefore already – and will continue to be - a key focus of our School Improvement Adviser support and challenge for schools and a focus of visit reports. There are numerous good practice audits and tools as well as the Suffolk Trust research which provide guidance on best use of funding; SIAs make use of this in their work. Agreeing the most effective practice, including the use of this funding, will also be a focus of the BME steering group meetings, which will in turn shape the best practice which we promote and share with our schools.
5. That the Council's Regeneration Service be requested to explore the use of regeneration funding to assist schools with the training of teachers and other school staff from the local community to ensure that their workforce is not only of high calibre but reflective of the diversity of the area and able to provide positive role models for children and young people. (4.20)	People Programme Assistant Director for Education - Rory Kennedy	April 2017	Partially Agreed	If funding is secured, the next step would be to explore best use of the funding with schools. It would make sense for this to be included as a focus of the BME steering group The Tottenham Regeneration Charter is currently being developed and will provide a tool to secure pledges from developers and local businesses to support a Business in Schools programme. Discussions to be held with Education and Employment and Skills Team to explore use of s106.

School Exclusions

6. That the increase in Susan Otiti,	April 2017	Agreed	Via a model of direct targeted support services have
behavioural issues at Assistant D	•	/ grood	been commissioned which enable children to remain
primary school level and, in of Public			included or re-integrated into main stream school.
particular, those and Gill G			included of te integrated into main stream school.
precipitated by exposure to Early Help	-		The strategy aims to use limited funding for joint
trauma, is referred to the Prevention			commissioning between schools and the LA in order
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			to provide direct, onsite support to targeted schools
Board for consideration and Help Partr	ersnip		based on their school exclusion history. On a
that an action plan is Board			strategic deployment basis, the aim is to develop the
developed with partners to			workforce and restructure provision giving children
address the issue. (5.22) Gareth Mor			greater opportunities for building better
Head of Ear			relationships, enjoying and taking part in activities,
and Prevention	n		learning new skills and becoming more mindful of
			their inner resources. The work will be embedded by
	nnedy-		The Anchor Project (Public Health) Attachment
	Director		Awareness/Understanding behaviour to Support the
for Education			Emotional & Learning Needs of Vulnerable Children
Deborah	Tucker		The relevant parts of the Disp report which highlight
Alternative Pr	ovision		primary pupil behaviour (and evidence of causal
Commissione	r		links) will need to be presented to the EHPB board -
Assistant Dire	ector –		The January EHPB meeting is focussing on school
Adults and C			issues and so provides a timely opportunity.
Commissionir			EHPB has attendance from partners including
Charlotte Por	0		schools and School Improvement as well as health,
			community safety, vol sector and can consider how
			best to provide the strategic lead and direction for
			activity which supports families of children falling
			within this category, to help achieve sustainable
			behavioural change. Baseline data, needs analysis
			and targets require further development.

Young People's Service engage with school Head Teachers and school governors on the issue of exclusions and, in particular the disproportional number	March 2017	Partially Agreed	 The Council will target work with the highest excluding secondary schools to address those issues which lead to school exclusion and directly avert permanent exclusions through the In Year Fair Access Forum. School governors (via training) are already encouraged to assign a governor with a specific and active role in monitoring exclusions which includes scrutinising data and the impact of exclusion on vulnerable groups. Further emphasis will be given at governor training to ensure that: disproportionality is investigated and addressed; policies are appropriate, effective and fair and Exclusions, when they occur, are placed at the furthest end of the referral continuum. As part of the strategy to reduce school exclusion it is proposed that from November 2016 governing bodies of those schools with the highest rates of exclusion will receive follow up communication (via Governors' Services) to ascertain whether a governor has volunteered to take specific interest and action rates of exclusion and their impact The council's Early Help Service has put in place a team around the school model – currently being piloted at Parkview Secondary – it is proposed that this approach be mainstreamed at the primary level to include the specific input of those partner agencies most affected in any exclusion decision

 Sharing of good practice on how they can best be avoided; and 	Director – Adults and Children Commissioning – Charlotte Pomery Rory Kennedy – Assistant Director for Education Stone – Service Manger – Haringey Youth Justice Service Deborah Tucker – Alternative Education Provision Commissioner Assistant		Agreed	Brief service level agreements between practitioners leading on Alternative Provision, Exclusion and the Early Help Locality Teams are planned for development by Spring term 2017 which will include systematic pathway for children receiving three or more fixed term exclusions in one term, one exclusion of six days or more and permanent exclusion. This threshold will trigger a detailed review of the child's situation encompassing Safety, Attainment, Health and Participation, ideally through a holistic assessment of a child's needs using the Family's Outcomes Plan. Support for younger siblings and families of the target group will need to be included. Improving sharing relevant information (offence court order & intervention) between Haringey YJS & the designated contacts within each Haringey secondary school through work with I. Case managers to work closely with the school to reduce young persons risk and vulnerability level which in tern may reduce the risk of exclusion.
 Reviewing the zero tolerance policy towards the possession of knives and whether, in certain circumstances, alternatives to exclusion might be appropriate. 	Assistant Director of Schools – Rory Kennedy Schools Forum Deborah Tucker –	July 2017	Partially Agreed	The decision to exclude is under the jurisdiction of head teachers in accordance with the school's published Behaviour Policy. A school's Behaviour Policy would ordinarily mention that possession of a weapon meets the threshold for permanent exclusion. However, the term 'zero tolerance' is not one usually used in the school's policy and the local

(5.26)	Alternative	authority could not impose such a policy on schools.
(0.20)	Education Provision	
		We advise that schools should always act to support
	Commissioner	the individual student, report the incident to police
		and carry out a risk assessment if there are plans for
	Assistant Director –	the student to return (i.e. at primary).
	Adults and Children	
	Commissioning –	Schools (head teacher/governors) are responsible
	Charlotte Pomery	for reviewing a school's Behaviour Policy.
	Charlotte Pomery	
	Community Safety	In order to provide an alternative to permanent
	Partnership – Chairs	exclusion where students are found in possession of
	Cllr Ayisi and	a weapon a A Weapons Awareness Programme
	Borough	was initiated Summer 2015/16 which, in conjunction
	Commander Helen	with the Youth Justice Service (YJS) and police,
	Millichap	aims to reduce the prevalence of knife carrying and
		use by young people in the borough. Young people
		are referred to the program if they are aged between
		11 and 16 and have been involved in an incident
		where a knife or the threat of a knife is a feature in
		school. Criteria are based on historical behaviour
		record, circumstances surrounding the incident and
		capacity to improve (within the framework of the
		program) and risk assessment for return to school.
		Students are placed at the Haringey Managed
		Intervention Centre (TBAP) for up to four weeks. As
		well as following their core curriculum offer they also
		participate in a programme encompassing:
		Attitudes to knife carrying
		The Law
		Health

	 Managing Conflict Victim interaction Public Space Awareness Peer Education and Risk Assessment Children referred to the programme, or who have been permanently excluded for the possession of a weapon, will be included in partnership planning and collaboration (see above Sharing Good Practice) in order to help ensure progress is sustained for the individual and for siblings who may also be at risk of exclusion.
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Mental Health and Well Being

8. That action is taken to Co	community Safety	November	Partially	Partially agreed
secure the continuation of work	artnership Cllr Ayisi	2017	Agreed	A review of Project Future will take place by the
undertaken by the Mac-UK a	ind Borough		-	relevant partners/stakeholders. The review will look
Project Future in Tottenham C	Commander –			at external funding options including
and that officer's work with the H				sustainability/shared learning of the current model.
project to identify suitable	•			The review will be completed by March 2017 as the
sources of funding to achieve				current funding for the project expires in Oct 2017.
Ű	Assistant Director –			The review will inform contingency planning
. ,	dults and Children			
	Commissioning –			
	Charlotte Pomery			
	Assistant Director of			
	Communities – Steve			
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Young People and the Police

9. That the Cabinet Member	Community Safety	April	Agreed	The Borough Commander has committed to
for Communities be	Partnership –	2017		maintain police presence in all secondary schools,
requested to seek	Chairs Cllr Ayisi			and work is currently ongoing to ensure that the
confirmation from the new	and Borough			schools officers' team is up to strength wherever

Borough Commander that she will maintain the Police presence in schools and that, in addition, she will also give consideration to expanding the presence that is currently provided by the Police in primary schools. (7.12)	Helen Millichap			possible. Work is currently ongoing also to enhance the police community engagement offer on the Borough with a particular emphasis on youth engagement. This will encompass development work relating to support for primary as well as secondary schools.
10. That the Cabinet Member for Communities be requested to work with the Haringey Police Borough Commander to develop a "reverse mentoring" scheme that involves Police officers new to the area being mentored by a local young person and that this includes regular monitoring of take-up. (7.18)	Partnership – Chairs Cllr Ayisi and Borough Commander – Helen Millichap	June 2017	Partially Agreed	The development of mentoring opportunities is one that Haringey police is actively pursuing particularly with the young people vulnerable to gangs activity and by developing a positive development programme for the Police Cadets exposing them to citizenship and public engagement. The suggested "reverse mentoring" is of interest and maybe useful in eth current development of community ambassadors. Further detail would be required to avoid duplication and to enable a process that has legacy for building relationships and learning for public service and young people.

Hackney Council's Improving Outcomes for Young Black Men Programme

11. That a strategic investment	Haringey	Feb 2017	Partially	The Early Help Service is keen to develop a
be made by the Council, in	Community		Agreed	targeted approach to supporting families where
terms of resources, time and	Safety		_	there is an increased likelihood of children becoming
commitment, to develop	Partnership –			FTE's utilising some of the service capacity to focus

and, in particular, disaffected young people and those at risk of coming into contact with youth justice services. (8.12)	Cllr Ayisi and Borough Commander – Helen Millichap Haringey Youth Justice Partnership Board – Chair Zina Etheridge – Haringey DCEO	on this and other vulnerable groups. Initial analysis is being undertaken and emerging indications are that there are up to 50 families per annum where this approach might be appropriate, following an elder sibling being subject to Youth Justice Triage. The ambition being to ensure that we break the recurrent practice of young people following in their siblings footsteps and becoming FTE's. Targets can be developed which would reflect both improved outcomes for YP but also potential fiscal savings through prevention.
c C A	Partnership Board, co-chair Susan Dtiti, Assistant Director of Public Health	Early Help and Prevention are already developing this through the newstyle Youth Council which also aims to reach the more challenging youths via the young members' network.
a A E	and Gill Gibson, Assistant Director, Early Help and Prevention	Under the framework of Haringey's Young People's Strategy A multi-agency strategic summit is planned to take place in December to progress strategic join- up for improving co-ordination and provision to a range of related issues for disaffected vulnerable adolescents at risk of criminality, including serious youth violence, gang affiliation, CSE, missing and familial dysfunction.
		In addition, the Borough Commander is working on a new engagement group.
		A partnership response to this is essential and we will seek consultation across all key stakeholders in developing response for implementation.

12. The progress by Hackney with their Improving Outcomes for Young Black Men programme be monitored so that learning from this can be incorporated into;	Justice Partnership	April 2017	Agreed	We will learn what works well from the formal evaluations of this programme for incorporation into our best practice.
 Improving the effectiveness of interventions aimed at addressing disproportionality; and 	Jennifer Sergeant – Head of Targeted Response and Youth Justice Simon Stone - Service Manager Haringey Youth Justice Service	July 2017	Agreed	This will need to follow on from the use of the Disproportionality toolkit analysis at point 1. Once we have a clearer picture in relation to the influencing factors we will be able to develop strategies for improving interventions. Cases are audited in line with agency procedure by Team Managers , Service Manager and Head of Service with the aim of improving staff performance and management oversight which in turn feeds into addressing <i>disproportionality</i> . Staff Supervision is carried out by service managers, using a model which enables reflection on practice for improvements. There is a service expectation that

• Action to improve engagement with children and young people and, in particular, those at risk of entering the youth justice system. (8.12)	Jennifer Sergeant – Head of Targeted Response and Youth Justice Simon Stone – Service Manager Haringey Youth	July 2017	Agreed	 any form of discrimination (overt or covert) is challenged at court regardless of who (legal professional /member of the public) is exhibiting it. Learning Best Practice from areas that are successfully achieving improvements that address this issue for incorporating to Haringey best practice. This can be a priority of the Early Help Partnership Board Best Practice group, and also Haringey's Youth Justice Board Transformation Plan under Models and approaches of evidenced based practice in delivering Youth Justice. Analysis of existing cohorts will be undertaken order to ascertain why young people are entering the system that would not be covered through use of disproportionality toolkit. The desk top audit planned to as part of the Youth Justice Transformation plan should also inform early intervention approaches for desistance of crime by young people. Recent analysis of the existing First Time entrants
	Justice Service Gareth Morgan – Head of Early Help and Prevention			(FTE's) has identified characteristics of the cohort that can now inform targeted early intervention and a prevention offer for those at risk of entering youth justice. This wok is being progressed though the Early Help Partnership Board for multi-agency response.
				Analysis of the Triage will also assist understanding of young people's early involvement in criminality to inform and improve Early Help approaches to assist young people desistance from crime.

	Learning best practice from areas that have
	successfully reduced overrepresentation of BAME'
	in Youth Justice to incorporate into local practice.