

## Appendix 1. CYPS RESPONSE TO SCRUTINY

Recommendation & Action	Lead & others to be involved	Timescale	Agreed Partially/ Agreed / Not Agreed	Comments
1. That the Council will request to formally appoint a Member to act as a Trustee to the Haringey Migrant Support Centre.			Not agreed	<p>This recommendation sits outside the responsibilities of CYPS. Councillors are invited to contact Haringey Migrant Support Centre directly to become a Trustee in accordance with their constitution.</p> <p><b>Closed</b></p>
2. That as part of the future work plan for Overview and Scrutiny that panel receives updates on progress with implementing and improvements identified as required by the practice audit that was undertaken on the work of the NRPF team and the relevant voluntary sector organisations be requested to provide feedback as part of the process	Assistant Director Social Care – previously agreed in 2018	Date for progress report as part of Overview and Scrutiny work plan to be confirmed.	Agreed	<p><b>Previous Commitment</b> The service will provide high level feedback on progress against the requirements of the practice audit. Voluntary sector organisations will be contacted for their views as part of the progress report.</p> <p><b>Current Position</b> Assistant Director of Social Care will provide a report to Scrutiny on the work completed from April – October 2019 for the next scrutiny panel. Significant changes made as a result of the Service Review full report to be submitted to scrutiny on the 2nd March 2020</p> <p><b>Action</b> <b>Place on Forward plan</b></p>

<p>3. That substance levels for NRPF families are reviewed so that they are based on a clear and justifiable rationale and comply with levels that relevant advice suggests appropriate</p>	<p>Assistant Director, Social Care</p>	<p>August 2018</p>	<p>Agreed</p>	<p><b>Previous Commitment</b> A review of the NRPF service is underway and includes a review of the budget and financial arrangements.</p> <p><b>Current position</b> Subsistence levels recommended to fall in line with NASS rates. See section 11 of Support to UASC and NRPF families. Report.</p> <p><b>Achieved and Closed.</b></p>
<p>4. That, where there are disputes with other local authorities on responsibility for the support of specific families with NRPF, addressing and meeting their needs be prioritised and dealt with before such issues are addressed</p>	<p>Assistant Director, Social Care</p>	<p>As and when</p>	<p>Agreed</p>	<p>This is an “as and when” action due to the way that families present themselves for support. Each case will be assessed on its own merits. Where immediate support is assessed as required this will be provided in line with legal duties.</p> <p>Completed by previous AD</p> <p><b>Ongoing and Closed.</b></p>
<p>5. That a report be made to a future meeting of the Panel on how families with NRPF are assisted in accessing good quality immigration advice so that they are better able to resolve their status quickly</p>	<p>Assistant Director, Social Care</p>	<p>Date for progress report as part of Overview and Scrutiny work plan to be confirmed.</p>	<p>Agreed</p>	<p>Report will be completed as requested and presented to panel in March 2020.</p> <p><b>Action</b> <b>Place on forward plan.</b></p>

6. That action be taken to improve the information available from front facing services on sources of support and advice for NRPF families	Assistant Director, Social Care	July 2018	Agreed	<p>The first meeting took place in April 2018 with Migrant organisation and was reported to be facilitated by the previous AD. Senior managers met with Migrant Organisations to agree Terms of Reference and sequence of regular quarterly meetings.</p> <p><b>Meetings have been agreed and have taken place – Closed</b></p>
7. That, in order to provide a stronger focus on resolving the immigration status of families, specific consideration be given to splitting responsibility for the support of NRPF families between a small team to address issues relating specifically to NRPF and mainstream social care services	Director, Children’s Service, and Assistant Director, Social Care		Partially agreed	<p>The structure of the team is currently able to deliver the required service to children and families. However, the service will always consider ideas and best practice from elsewhere for consideration for service improvement. Service delivery has improved since the initial audit reported to Overview and Scrutiny in March 2018.</p> <p>Haringey is also part of NRPF Connect.</p> <p><b>Ongoing and Closed.</b></p>
8. That the Panel be informed of whether an application has been made for Controlling Migration funding and, if not, consideration be given to rectifying this.	Assistant Director, Children’s Social Care	Update Sept. 2018	Agreed	<p>The Council have received an allocation of the fund in respect of UASC for 2018/19 and 2019/20</p> <p><b>Achieved and Closed.</b></p>
9. That the Children and Young People’s Service establish a system to collect information on the refugee status of	AD Children’s Social Care and AD Schools and	ongoing	Agreed	<p>Currently the School Admissions Service already collects information about whether a child has refugee status on the in-year form. This is in order</p>

children applying for school places where this is known for sharing with schools so they are able to make the necessary plans for support in advance of the arrival of children at school.	Learning			to assess whether a child qualifies under the In-Year Fair Access Protocol. Aside from qualification under this protocol, the School Admissions Code applies.  <b>Achieved and Closed.</b>
10. That social care staff supporting children from refugee families be made aware of the importance of including the refugee status of children applying for school places on school admissions application forms	Social care colleagues under the direction of the Assistant Director Children's Social Care and the Joint Assistant Director for Schools and Learning	Update Sept 2018	Agreed	The in-year school application form does include two places where the refugee status of the child can be noted - one of which is an explicit question asking whether the child is a refugee or asylum seeker. The form, where appropriate, is completed by social care officers. This is now conducted as part of business as usual.  <b>Achieved and Closed.</b>
11. That clarification be provided to schools regarding the extent of their responsibilities for sharing information on the immigration status of individual children	Joint Assistant Director, Schools and Learning	From Sept. 2018	Agreed	Schools should consult their own data protection policies regarding data exchange, however it is already a standard requirement for state schools to pass on information about a child, including safeguarding, SEN, behaviour and educational attainment information, to any subsequent schools which the child attends. However, this information should not be shared until the child has been offered a place at the following school, and it is strictly prohibited for receiving schools to delay admission of a child until paperwork etc. is received. Ongoing as part of business as usual practices.  <b>Achieved and Closed.</b>

12. Networked Learning Communities to establish the feasibility of establishing English language classes for the parents/carers of children from refugee children	Head of School Standards, thereafter AD Schools and Learning	Ongoing	Agreed	Head of School Standards via the chairs of the NLCs during the summer term 2018. Thereafter, it will be pursued via the HLP as appropriate. Ongoing as need arises.  <b>Ongoing and Closed</b>
13. CYPS work with accommodation providers to establish greater clarity for families with school age children on the length of time families are likely to remain in temporary accommodation to enable children to maintain school placements	Assistant Director of Safeguarding	Ongoing	Partially agreed	Commitment provided to make every endeavour to maintain connections with schools and support families to be supported with accommodation within Haringey as far as possible.  <b>Ongoing and Closed</b>
14. That schools be reminded of the availability of training for staff by CAMHS on mental health issues, including trauma	Joint Assistant Director of Schools and Learning to liaise with CAMHS	Summer term 2018 and ongoing	Agreed	UASC access support from First Steps – a CAMHS provision and referrals made for NRPF children as appropriate to CAMHS  <b>Ongoing and closed</b>
15. That consideration be given to extending access to support from the Virtual School to children from NRPF	Head of Virtual School	NA	Not agreed	Schools in Haringey are aware that children whose parents are NRFP face vulnerabilities and can access support and advice from voluntary sector organisations and the consultation service within MASH.  <b>Not Agreed – Closed</b>
16. That training be offered to	Joint Assistant	Update for September	Partially	Structured programme to be delivered under the

schools on the provision of support for children from refugee families including issues relating to immigration status and external sources of support	Director of Schools and Learning	2018		Children's Academy and support from HEP. <b>Ongoing and closed.</b>
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