

Corporate Parenting Panel Supplemental Agenda

Date: Monday 18 March 2024

Agenda - Part I

8. **Update and performance for Corporate Parenting Service** (Pages 3 - 12) Update from Director of Children Services.

14. Reasons for urgency/lateness

Note: In accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the following agenda item has been admitted late to the agenda by virtue of the special circumstances and urgency detailed below:-

Agenda item

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8. Update and performance for Corporate Parenting Service <u>Special Circumstances/Grounds for Urgency</u> This report was not available at the time the agenda was printed and circulated. Members are requested to consider this item, as a matter of urgency.

Agenda - Part II - Nil

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Corporate Parenting Service

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Children's Services March 2024





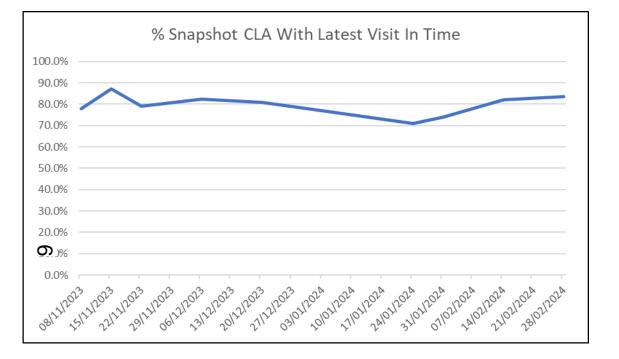


- Performance Scorecard
- Demographic profile of CLA
- Visits, Supervisions and Pathway Plan timeliness
- Practice Week
- Pan London Care Leaver Compact

Ref No	Indicator Description	Statistical Neighbour Average 2021/22	England average 2021/22	Harrow 2020-21	Harrow 2021-22	Harrow 2022-23	Harrow target 2022/23	Harrow Q1 2023- 24	Harrow Q2 2023- 24	Harrow Q3 2023- 24
1	Number of current CLA at end of quarter	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	182	188	179	N/A	192	191	180
2	Number of current Care Leavers at end of quarter	Not Published	Not Published	183	189	186	N/A	185	187	188
3	Rate of CLA per 10,000 children aged under 18	42.7	70.0	30.0	31.5	29.8		32.0	31.8	30.6
4	Timeliness of Reviews of Looked After Children	Not Published	Not Published	97.1	89.8	68.8	95%	94.6 (174/184)	90 (162/180)	89.4 (161/180)
5	% of CLA with 3 or more placements	10.0	9.0	10.0	13.8	9.5	Q1 - 2.5% Q2 - 5% Q3 - 7.5% Q4 - 10%	1 (2/192)	2.6 (5/191)	3.3 (6/180)
6	% of CLA looked after for 2.5+ years and in the same placement for 2 years	69.5	70.0	81.0	68.4	66.7	70%	69.2 (27/39)	82.1 (32/39)	79.5 (31/39)
7 ₀ 7	% of Care Leavers in suitable accommodation (19 - 21 year olds)	86.4	88.0	82.1	89.9	90.1	90%	96.6 (28/29)	96.8 (61/63)	93.6 (88/94)
8	% of Care Leavers not in education, employment or training (19 - 21 year olds)	35.0	38.0	40.0	27.6	28.2	35%	34.5 (10/29)	34.9 (22/63)	35.1 (33/94)
9	% of CLA who are looked after 1 yr + with up to date Dental Checks (rolling year)	75.0	70.0	73.0	91.5	91.1	90%	82.1 (92/112)	83.3 (90/108)	80.9 (89/110)
10	% of CLA who are looked after 1 yr + with up to date Health Checks (rolling year)	93.0	89.0	99.0	99.1	91.1	95%	91.1 (102/112)	90.7 (98/108)	90.9 (100/110)
11	% of children who ceased to be looked after who were adopted	9.0	10.0	4.3	3.8	3.5	N/A	4.8 (1/21)	3.8 (2/53)	3.8 (2/53)
12	% Children who ceased to be looked due to a Special Guardianship Order	10.0	13.0	19.1	14.3	8.8	N/A	9.5 (2/21)	3.8 (2/53)	7.5 (4/53)
13	% of CLA placed more than 20 miles away from home (snapshot)	21.0	16.0	20.0	16.0	16.2	20%	20.5 (31/151)	18.5 (27/146)	21.4 (31/146)
14	% of all CLA (current and ceased) with at least 1 missing episode in year	13.0	11.0	9.0	8.8	8.2	Q1 - 2.5% Q2 - 5% Q3 - 7.5% Q4 - 10%	7.5 (16/213)	8.6 (21/244)	11.8 (30/255)

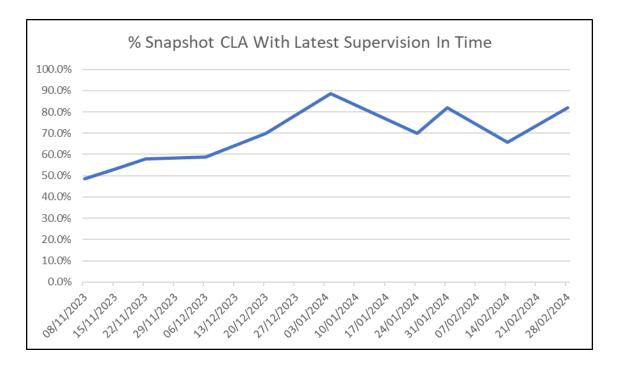
Visits and Supervisions in Time



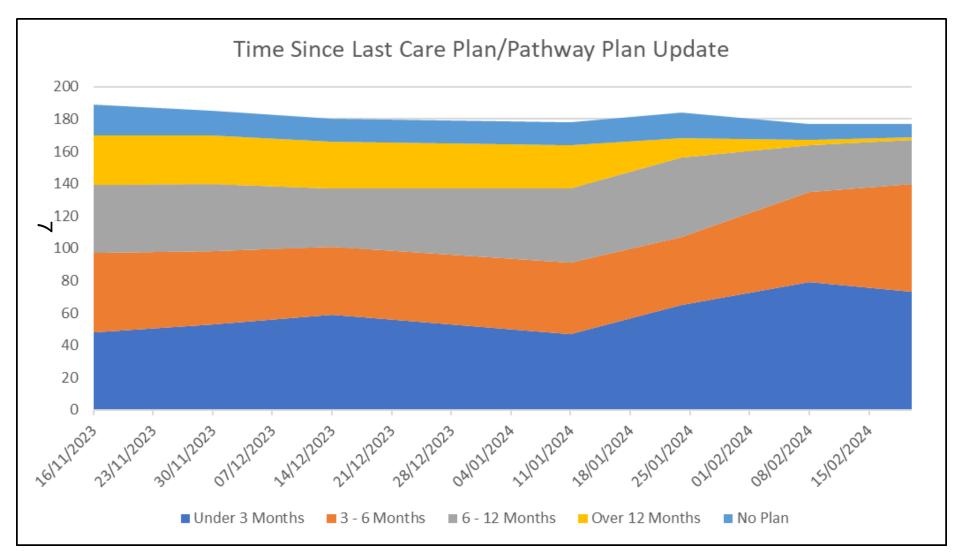


Our target is to visit every child in care once a month as part of building positive relationships and maintaining safety.

Our target is for all social workers to have a monthly supervision / 121 on each child in our care.





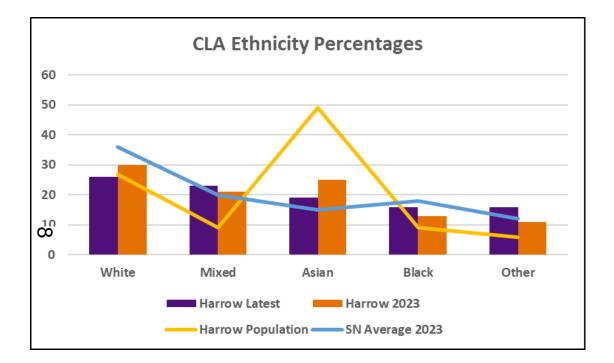


Care plans and pathway plans should be updated every 6 months, more frequently if there are significant changes to a child or young person's circumstances.

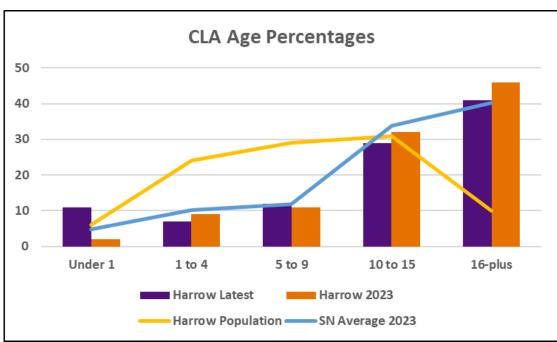
Children should have a care plan within 10 days of becoming looked after.

Demographic profile of Children Looked After





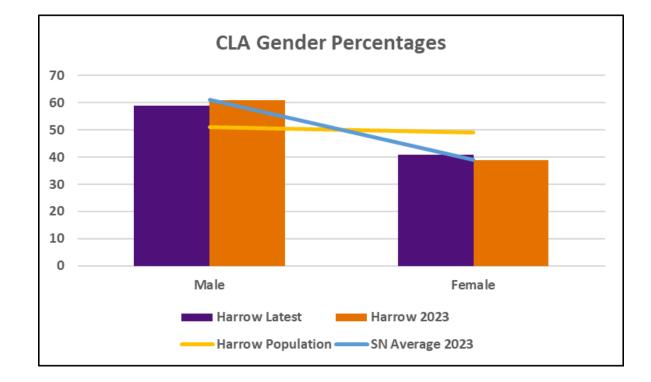
	Ethnicity Percentages					
	Harrow Latest	Harrow 2023	Harrow Population	SN Average 2023		
White	26	30	27	36		
Mixed	23	21	9	20		
Asian	19	25	49	15		
Black	16	13	9	18		
Other	16	11	6	12		



	Age Percentages				
	Harrow Latest	Harrow 2023	Harrow Population	SN Average 2023	
Under 1	11	2	6	5	
1 to 4	7	9	24	10	
5 to 9	12	11	29	12	
10 to 15	29	32	31	34	
16-plus	41	46	10	40	

Demographic profile of Children Looked After





		Gender Percentages					
		Harrow Latest	Harrow 2023	Harrow Population	SN Average 2023		
	Male	59	61	51	61		
	Female	41	39	49	39		

Practice Week – March 2024



- A panel of care experienced young people interviewed the Managing Director, Leader of the Council, Lead Member for Children's Services and the Director of Children's Service during our inaugural practice week
- This is an important part of developing and promoting our Corporate Parenting Duties across the Council
- Strategic leaders are committed to improving leaving care services in line with the Children and Social Work Act (2017) corporate parenting principles
- Key actions from this week will be summarised and shared, including a revised offer of training about the needs and experiences of children looked after and care leavers
- Feedback from young people on the panel "I really enjoyed it, " "It was interesting to meet with leaders and hear different perspectives", "It's important managers and directors hear from us"

Pan London Care Leaver Compact



- Free prescriptions
- Half price bus and tram travel
- London boroughs have worked together on housing support most boroughs are offering or developing an offer that
 might include council tax exemption, priority housing status, rent deposit schemes, and joint working agreements
 between children's services and housing teams.
- Access to training and employment opportunities in healthcare.
 Action for Harrow:
- Care leavers are being sent information about the Pan London Care Leavers Compact from their Personal Advisor, as well as the Participation Officer, who will assist them to access the relevant concessions. IROs, carers and key workers will also promote this ground breaking development
- We will update our Care Leaver Local Offer on the Harrow website to promote this new Compact
- Harrow already has in place a Council Tax exemption, priority housing status and rent and deposit schemes for care leavers, and we will be taking forward a re-fresh of the joint working agreement between children's services and housing teams.
- Harrow has also committed to ringfence 5 apprenticeships for care leavers in the Council, and provide work experience opportunities to care leavers
- Care leavers are already applying for the TfL travel pass with Harrow's Support

