

Children and Young People Scrutiny Commission 10th October 2018 Item 4 – Outcomes of Exclusions in Hackney – evidence session	Item No 4
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Outline

Evidence session for the scrutiny review into Outcomes of Exclusion in Hackney.

The review will seek to identify the destination of excluded pupils, where they are, and their outcomes. The aim is to inform individual schools' decision making around exclusions and broaden parents' understanding of the offer available for excluded pupils and to assist the local authority in their work to ensure children at risk of permanent exclusion and excluded children have the same opportunities as their peers in mainstream education.

The review will also aim to establish if, in the borough, there are any correlation between exclusions and youth crime (more broadly) and violent offences. The review will also consider any other related safeguarding issues e.g. the criminal exploitation of children and young people known as 'county lines' and the wider vulnerabilities of children and young people. Further, this review seek to ascertain whether the local authority is prepared for the proposed changes in legislation and expectations around alternative provision, put forward by;

- the House of Commons Education Select Committee as a part of their review into alternative provision and;
- the Institute for Public Policy Research's (IPPR) programme to improve quality in the Alternative Provision sector, to help develop and disseminate best practice to improve trajectories for children who have been excluded.

Please find both reports enclosed:

Forgotten children: alternative provision and the scandal of ever increasing exclusions (page: 5)

Making The Difference - breaking the link between school exclusion and social exclusion (page: 57)

Invited guest:

The Difference

- Kiran Gill, founder



Kiran started her career teaching in inner-city secondary schools, specialising in teacher training and improving literacy teaching across the curriculum. Since leaving the classroom, Kiran has worked in policy design and delivery at the Social Mobility Commission, think tank IPPR, consultancies Education Development Trust and Isos Partnership, and the charities Teach First and Save the Children. Her published research focuses on poverty, social mobility and the evolution of the school led system in England. Kiran holds a first class honours degree in English and Education Studies from the University of Cambridge, a PGCE (Teach First) from Canterbury

Christ Church University and an MSc in Political Science from the University College London.

Kiran undertook a comprehensive review of exclusion in England, speaking with practitioners, parents, pupils, academics, policymakers and third sector experts to inform her research. This has been published by think tank IPPR under the title '*Making The Difference: Breaking the link between school exclusion and social exclusion*'. Kiran is now the founder of new charity The Difference. The Difference will recruit a new generation of talented teachers to improve outcomes and reduce exclusion as well as develop the evidence base of effective practice with learners vulnerable to mental ill health and criminal exploitation.

New Regent's College ((Hackney's Pupil Referral Unit)

- Richard Brown, Executive Head and Sue Parillon, Head of School

Summary of provision enclosed (page: 111)

A short paper provided by Hackney Learning Trust Education Property team on the new building enclosed (page: 117)

The Boxing Academy

- Anna Cain Principal, and Marika Morrison, Head of Student Services & DSL

Summary of provision enclosed (page: 121)

Inspired Directions School

- Joel McIlven, Head of School

Summary of provision enclosed (page: 123)

ELATT – the learning community

- Oran Blackwood

BSix Sixth Form College

- Ian Ellis, Head of Department – Progression

The School at Hackney City Farm

- Adrian Johnson

The Garden

The Garden is an outstanding school offering education for 4-16 year-olds with highly specialised provisions for learners with autism.

- Pat Quigley, Head of School

Hackney Works

Hackney Council provides a free employment support service for Hackney residents called 'Hackney Works' this includes specialist support as well as help finding an apprenticeship and work placements for young people, aged 16-19, with local businesses in Hackney

- Andrew Munk, Head of Employment and Skills, Strategy, Policy and Economic Development
- Anna-Renee Paisley, Programme Manager - Supported Employment, Strategy, Policy and Economic Development
- Alex Jacobs, Programme Manager - Employment Pathways, Employment and Skills, Strategy, Policy and Economic Development

Action

The Commission is asked to note the presentations and ask questions.