## Liberty Protection Safeguards: Briefing to Health in Hackney Scrutiny Commission

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# **Background to the Liberty Protection Safeguards**



#### The purpose of the LPS

- LPS replaces the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) but the purpose remains the same
- The system that protects a person's Article 5 human right
- The system that provides the legal safeguards for this: assessments, duty to consult and right to appeal

#### What is changing?

- Expansion of settings
- Expansion of 'Responsible Bodies'
- Inclusion of 16 and 17 year olds

## The context of implementation

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- Ongoing delays to implementation
- Uncertainty about LPS implementation date
- Workforce and funding challenges

#### Areas of impact for Hackney

- Workforce demand
- Cross-organisational integration
- Systems design
- Legal compliance
- Social work practice



### What our data tells us

We estimate that around 35% of LPS applications will be complex or contested. These cases will require input from an Approved Mental Capacity Professional (AMCP).

Around 900 DoLS applications are made each year in Hackney. We expect this number will slightly increase because there are more settings and more eligible age groups.

In the first year of LPS LBH will transfer all DoLS authorisations to LPS. After that the renewal responsibility will be held by the relevant Responsible Body. After Year 1, the number of LPS applications should decrease, as cases get processed by their relevant Responsible Body.

## **Principles and methodology**

Recognise the unique demography of Hackney

Co-produce the approach where possible

Take a whole systems approach

Take a human rights and person-centred approach

Foster high quality, professional practice

## **Next steps**

#### January-March

- Workshops with providers, residents and advocacy groups
- Plan, commission and deliver first phase of the training programme
- Confirm model for LPS in Hackney and plan internal pathways
- Mosaic development