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Dear Cllrs Conway and Gordon

Thank you for your comprehensive and considered letter in response to the Children & Young People Scrutiny Commission meeting on 14 September 2023 where members discussed the draft City & Hackney Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) Strategy and the discontinuation of the CHYPS Plus service.

We appreciate the Commission's interest in this important topic and with this letter, we aim to respond to the key issues raised and the recommendations you have put forward. The recommendations will be detailed in a table annexed to this letter.

One of the key areas of concern is relationship and sex education (RSE) in schools within the wider scope of personal, social and health education (PHSE). The Commission's understanding of and focus on the importance of RSE in schools and alternative settings and its accompanying challenges; practical, institutional, financial and political; are both timely and welcomed.

Since the Scrutiny meeting in September 2023, the sexual and reproductive health strategy has been agreed by LBH Cabinet and adopted by both the Hackney and the City of London Health and Wellbeing Boards, alongside a comprehensive action plan. The SRH action plan provides, among other things, further commitments to support schools to develop policies, content and resources that provide children and young people with knowledge that enables them to make informed decisions about their well-being, health and relationships whilst building their self-efficacy.

One of the strategy's key aims is to provide appropriate RSE in all primary and secondary schools that comply with the statutory guidance and meet the needs of children and young people. The long-term goal is to build capacity within the school system to ensure that RSE is consistent, reliable, of high quality, informed by the voice of young people and becomes a normalised yet essential part of building young people's knowledge, skills and confidence around sexual and reproductive health and relationships.

The action plan also foresees closer collaboration with educational settings where RSE is not deemed appropriate for cultural or religious reasons and places of alternative provision such as Pupil Referral Units, SEND and youth justice settings.

To be effective, this approach requires increased partnership working in line with the overall strategic intentions of a more integrated approach to delivering sexual and reproductive health services. For example, Public Health intends to initiate a task team, working with City & Hackney colleagues in education and schools, the YH HWB and Homerton Sexual Health Outreach Services.

Another key concern for the commission was the delivery of dedicated sexual health services to young people following the discontinuation of CHYPS Plus.

Work is ongoing to design a solution that complements the existing local delivery landscape, reflects the needs of children and young people and is informed by their voices. The SRH action plan includes a range of concrete actions to ensure young people have better knowledge of and access to services and that services are young people-friendly. Coproduction with young people will be an important part of this. From activity data, we can see that there has been an increase in young people under 18 accessing services at the Clifden Centre, suggesting signposting is working correctly.

To cover the transitional period, Public Health is working with Homerton Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust to commission an additional, dedicated resource to deliver clinical in-reach and capacity building in settings with a high footfall of young people. This resource will also support the sexual health needs of vulnerable children and young people (for example, children who are looked after and/or in contact with the youth justice service), will work closely with YH HWB to develop and adapt resources (for example, for RSE), ensure services are 'young people-friendly', and champion the SRH needs of young people. This will encourage more integrated working.

With the adoption of the SRH strategy and action plan, there is a real opportunity to foster a more joined-up way of working. The HWBs approved the formation of a joint sub-committee, co-chaired by Cllr Kennedy as the Hackney Cabinet Member for Health, to work with all key partners on the progress of the implementation of the action plan. Cabinet agreed that they will receive an annual update on delivery of this action plan and the commission may also wish to review that.

For context, the strategy was consulted via an online survey, an Easy Read survey, a range of online and in-person engagement events - including an in-person event with nine YP -, and two workshops with commissioned providers and other key partners.

The five themes of the strategy are:

1. Healthy and fulfilling sexual relationships
2. Good reproductive health across the life course
3. STI prevention and treatment
4. Living well with HIV and zero new HIV infections
5. Inclusion communities and those with complex needs

The consultation findings and feedback are captured in a consultation report, with a process overview captured in a presentation, both of which are attached to this report as appendices.

Some key findings from the consultation include:

- strong agreement on all themes and priorities identified
- affirmation of the importance of relationship and sex education in schools
- lack of knowledge of and access to services named as key barriers
- stigma and shame attached to sex and STIs, and HIV, persist
- services remain fragmented across the wider sexual and -especially- reproductive health pathway, often due to fragmented commissioning responsibilities

Consultation feedback, recurring themes and suggestions from commissioned services and key partners were taken into consideration and shaped the action plan and the revised strategy. The strategy and action plan are also attached to this paper as appendices.

Issues and topics that were suggested or expanded on include:

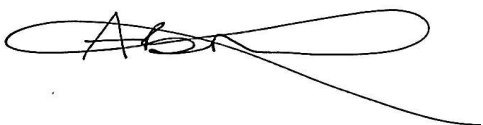
- a central online resource for SRH to provide information, advice and signposting to all relevant SRH services in City and Hackney with booking links where possible, linked with:
- a communications and engagement strategy, and an SRH awareness campaign
- stronger focus on co-production of materials/resources/ campaigns with specific population groups and/or service users, in relation to, e.g. STIs or contraception
- joint working and (re)commissioning in areas of, e.g. young people and education, substance misuse, communication and health literacy, inclusion groups

Lastly, the 2023/2024 Director of Public Health Annual Report focused on sexual health and young people. For the most part, the issues identified and the recommendations made in this report are covered in both the SRH strategy and the accompanying action plan.

With an approved strategy and action plan in place, and under the guidance of the joint HWB sub-committee, City & Hackney are in an encouraging position to improve outcomes for sexual and reproductive health for all its residents, but in particular for its young people, who are central to its delivery.

We thank you again for your detailed and comprehensive letter, and we trust to have addressed the key concerns and recommendations to your satisfaction.

Yours sincerely,



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Appendices:

Appendix 1: Response to the recommendations as outlined in the letter from CYP Scrutiny Commission, 17-11-1023.

Appendix 2: [Consultation report](#)

Appendix 3: [Consultation process overview](#) (presentation)

Appendix 4: [SRH Strategy](#)

Appendix 5: [SRH Action Plan](#)

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Appendix: Response to the recommendations as outlined in the letter from CYP Scrutiny Commission, 17-11-1023.

	Recommendation from CYP Scrutiny Commission	Response
1	<p>The Commission recommends that PH Commissioners continue to engage with Homerton University Hospital Trust (HUHT) to develop a more comprehensive understanding of the profile CHYPS Plus service users. With a more detailed understanding of the demography and service needs of users, Commissioners will be better placed to assess the equalities implications of the discontinuation of CHYPS Plus and to more effectively plan and deliver service mitigations that ensure that young people's sexual and reproductive health needs will continue to be met within the wider sexual and reproductive healthcare system.</p>	<p>C&H SRH Action Plan</p> <p>The action plan (specifically actions 2D3, 4B5, 5A1) will ensure annual equity audits are undertaken by all commissioned services and annual access plans agreed</p> <p>Further information</p> <p>Activity data for the period Apr 2019 to Sep 2022 has been provided and analysed according to the characteristics for age, sex, ethnicity, lower super output area LSOA of residence and 'Sexual Health and HIV Activity Property Types' (SHAPT code). Overall, the activity levels were low. Of the few persons accessing CHYPS Plus, we could see that CYPs of black heritage were accessing CHYPS Plus most frequently.</p> <p>Future service(s) should capture all relevant demographic data, the primary reason for attendance, but also collect important contextual information, such as if the young person was known to children's social care, was a care leaver, or any onward referral information such as for mental health or termination of pregnancy. This will be explored as part of redesigning youth-facing sexual and reproductive health services.</p>
2	<p>To facilitate an improved understanding of the sexual and reproductive health needs of young people and future service commissioning for young people, the Commission recommends</p>	<p>Activity data for the Homerton Sexual Health Services (HSHS) is uploaded to Pathway Analytics, which enables service user analyses by age, sex and a key reason for attendance (ethnicity)</p>

	<p>that additional data monitoring and reporting requirements are built into existing/new sexual health service contracts with Homerton University Hospital Trust (HUHT). As a minimum, contracting arrangements should require the provider to regularly report on sexual health service usage by under 18's and Under 16's age groups, their demography (gender, ethnicity) and primary presenting sexual and reproductive healthcare needs.</p>	<p>is not part of the dataset).</p> <p>As part of contract management processes, HSHS is required to undertake an annual equity audit to provide insight into user uptake and inequalities.</p> <p>Going forward, commissioners will request a specific equity audit for service users under 16 and under 18 years.</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>As there is no defined timeline between the ending of the CHYPS contract and the establishment of the super youth hub (which is also contingent on external funding) the Commission is mindful of how the needs of vulnerable groups of young people will be met in the interim, particularly those aged under 16 years of age, looked after children/ care leavers. The Commission recommends that additional monitoring takes place during this interim period to ensure that at-risk and high priority groups of young people continue to access local sexual and reproductive health services or note any changing patterns in service use. If necessary, the Commissioners should consider some form of transitional support until the Super Youth Hub is agreed and operational.</p>	<p>Young people under 19 can walk into the Young People clinic that is open Monday to Friday from 12-5.30 pm, with slightly different opening times on Wednesday and Friday.</p> <p>The Clifden Centre has a designated waiting area for young people and staff with experience of providing SRH services to young people.</p> <p>The service has observed an increase in attendance by under 18s to the Clifden Centre from Q1 to Q3 of this financial year.</p> <p>Public Health is discussing with HSHS to fund additional resources to deliver in-reach clinics at locations frequented by young people and to ensure existing services are youth-friendly. This resource will also support the strengthening of pathways to ensure access to sexual and reproductive health advice and services for particularly vulnerable groups, such as Looked After Children and those CYPs known to Youth Justice, as well as training practitioners, such as youth workers, to be able to hold brief conversations and signpost into services.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>With the discontinuation of dedicated young people's provision,</p>	<p>C&H SRH Action Plan</p>

<p>the Commission is seeking assurance from Commissioners as to how specialist knowledge and experience accrued through the operation of CHYPS Plus will be retained in the sexual health clinic and that in the wider sexual and reproductive health system remaining services are open, welcoming and 'young people friendly'. In particular, the Commission would welcome further clarity on:</p> <p>a) How knowledge, skills and experience of existing CHYPS Plus staff will be retained within the local sexual and reproductive health care system;</p> <p>b) Plans to develop and/ or extend staff training to ensure that there is sufficient awareness and understand of adolescent sexual and reproductive health needs across local systems;</p> <p>c) The role of the Hackney Sexual Health Forum in establishing key principles and standards in meeting the sexual and reproductive health needs of adolescents across all local providers.</p>	<p>The strategy and action plan place emphasis on ensuring that youth hubs and other community spaces are youth-friendly 'safe spaces' that offer SRH advice, information and access to services.</p> <p>Action 1B3 requires a review of the training, skills and confidence of youth workers and other professionals working with adolescents in supporting young people's SRH needs.</p> <p>Action 1B4 aims to ensure that spaces such as pharmacies provide 'low barrier' access to a range of SHR services. The action plan identifies training needs for pharmacy staff, and this includes developing Making Every Contact Count (MECC) resources for practitioners who work with adolescents.</p> <p>Further information</p> <p>As described, public health is exploring ways to ensure the continuation of YP's SRH expertise (a senior specialist sexual health nurse from the CHYPS Plus Service) by the funding of an additional resource to deliver in-reach clinics for CYP.</p> <p>The resource will be required to work in partnership with Young Hackney and the Super Youth Hub (SYH), and identify suitable locations to establish appropriate satellite clinics frequented by adolescents, especially those deemed vulnerable.</p> <p>The additional resource will also support capacity building and staff training (e.g. within youth hubs and Young Hackney) to refer and support CYP into clinical sexual health services as well as ensuring that the spaces in which the in-reach clinics are</p>
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		<p>established are youth friendly.</p> <p>The proposed way of working more closely with, e.g. Young Hackney, fits within the strategic intentions of more integrated and joined-up ways of working and ensuring knowledge of adolescent SRH is more embedded throughout the system.</p> <p>The Sexual Health Forum will continue as a regular meeting of all commissioned SRH providers and other key partners within C&H. In terms of monitoring progress against the SRH strategy and action plan, and within this, the SRH needs of adolescents, a sub-committee of both the City & Hackney HWB will be established to ensure the agreed actions and outcomes are implemented.</p>
5	<p>In line with provision elsewhere in London, it is recommended that Commissioners support and encourage key local sexual and reproductive health care providers to apply for and work towards You're Welcome accreditation, which supports the development of youth friendly health and care services.</p>	<p>C&H SRH Action Plan</p> <p>The 'You're Welcome' quality standards were updated in 2023 and aim to improve young people's outcomes and experiences of services.</p> <p>The standards focus on specialist services for 'healthy weight and physical activity, alcohol and drugs, managing long-term and complex health needs and disabilities, mental health and wellbeing and sexual and reproductive health'.</p> <p>The priority for ensuring spaces providing SRH services are welcoming is reflected in the action plan (action 1B1) of ensuring that HSHS clinics are welcoming to young people, offering bookable as well as walk-in appointments, including evenings and weekends.</p> <p>Action 1B4 refers to other spaces, such as pharmacies, that</p>

		<p>should also be youth-friendly.</p> <p>Further information There is a broader need to ensure that all youth spaces providing the specialist services described in the standards align with the 'you're welcome' self-assessment criteria.</p>
6	<p>[Recommendation from young people - endorsed by the Commission] To further increase knowledge and understanding of sexual and reproductive health care provision through HUHT, the Commission recommends that short video presentations are developed to enable young people to know what to expect when visiting local clinics. Young people indicated that this would help explain where services were located, what services were available and what might be expected in a typical visit. This would help to reduce pre-attendance anxiety, particularly among neuro-divergent young people.</p>	<p>The Young Hackney team, together with HSHS, have produced a video of attending the Clifden Centre clinic to demonstrate to young people how to access the service and what to expect. This video is shared at the end of sexual and reproductive health-focused workshops where important service information is provided regarding services and how to access them, including condoms. The video has been promoted via social media and is available on the YongHackney website.</p> <p>The aim is to increase the exposure of this workshop to all adolescents in City and Hackney and to improve collaboration between services such as school nursing and sexual health in delivering RSE education inside as well as outside of the school environment.</p>
7	<p>Supporting service access by Under 18's and Under 16's</p> <p>Whilst there are a broad range of alternative services for young people, the Commission remained concerned about young people aged Under 16 and Under 18's access to sexual and reproductive health services after the discontinuation of CHYPS Plus. Therefore, in line with a number of other authorities, the Commission recommends that Commissioners work with HUHT to establish systems in which local clinics prioritise access to all</p>	<p>As described, children and young people aged under 19 can walk into the Clifden Centre without an appointment daily from Monday to Friday in the afternoon. An increase in attendance at the clinic has been observed in recent quarters.</p> <p>The increased funding for SHS to deliver youth-friendly clinical in-reach service (TBC) will require that the in-reach clinics be provided at times suited to young people, including evenings and weekends. This will include drop-in services in the evening.</p>

	<p>young people aged under 18 (no appointments required).</p>	<p>The redesign of sexual and reproductive health services for young people will consider the specific needs of young people aged under 13, under 16 and under 18 as well as those aged under 24 with particular vulnerabilities concerning SRH service needs.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Whilst the sexual health strategy acknowledges the importance of sexual and reproductive health education, the Commission would welcome further clarity and detail within local action planning by Commissioners as to how the quality, breadth and consistency this is covered with RSE programmes in schools. In particular, the Commission would recommend that PH Commissioners work with local RSE Primary and Secondary School Network (and schools directly) to:</p> <p>a) Consider ways in which the voices on young people can be included within the planning and design of RSE curricula in schools so that these better reflect their sexual health needs and priorities of their pupils;</p> <p>b) Ensure that there is improved connections and communication pathways between schools and other local sexual and reproductive health care providers, so that:</p> <p>i) There schools have a more developed understanding of sexual and reproductive health needs of local young people</p> <p>ii) There is improved awareness of the breadth of local service provision and how it can be accessed;</p> <p>iii) Opportunities for specialist input into local RSE curricula are maximised.</p>	<p>Currently, a range of activities are underway to influence the quality and consistency of RSE education. A local framework is being developed for local attainment of the Healthy Schools London (HSL) award. The local award will be based on population health data and statistics. A framework for primary schools and secondary schools aligned to the most significant health and well-being needs of residents will provide a steer for schools to attain awards for HSL. Schools will be supported to understand the local population's health needs and to develop interventions and practices aimed at reducing inequalities in health.</p> <p>-</p> <p>From April 2024, the Super Youth Hub aims to influence the future delivery of PSHE education by working with the Young Hackney H&WB team to develop a specific target around PSHE programmes for KS4 and KS5 young people.</p> <p>School nurses have a role in PSHE education. The service has recently devised a package of PSHE education for adolescents attending special schools who may otherwise not access age-appropriate education on sexual and reproductive health. The Young Hackney team also deliver packages of RSE workshops targeted at children in special schools.</p>

		<p>In the future the aim is to improve collaboration and coordination between health professionals such as school nurses, sexual health nurses and our Young Hackney Health and Wellbeing service. The aim will be to ensure that there is consistency in the information that is shared including when and how to contact services, with health professionals as well as local young people influencing the quality of the RSE education provided for all settings.</p> <p>C&H SRH Action Plan</p> <p>These actions align with the SRH Action Plan to ensure that young people have equitable access to good quality, comprehensive and inclusive relationship and sex education in school settings (including alternative provision). Action 1A1 aims to achieve this by 1. establishing a task group to agree on an approach and timeframe, 2. using existing PSHE resources to devise tailor-made resources, 3. reviewing schools' current RSE policies and undertaking a mapping exercise. The action plan identifies a gap in understanding the behaviours and needs of school-age children and considers running a school health and behaviour survey to assess the needs of the school-age population. In addition, under Action 1A3: develop a comms programme to promote support for SRE to schools e.g. schools and Headteachers forums.</p>
9	<p>The Commission greatly values the Young Hackney's Health & Wellbeing Team and welcomes the commitment of PH Commissioners for their continued support of their sex and relationship education work with local schools and other educational settings. Further clarity on the ambitions of the HWB team, beyond an expected increase in the number of education</p>	<p>The Health and Wellbeing team delivers RSE education to a broad range of secondary schools in the borough. Public Health will be working in partnership with the Young Hackney H&WB team to explore options for strengthening the offer to schools, increasing consistency of information for RSE, and building the capacity of teaching staff to deliver a quality curriculum and</p>

	<p>sessions delivered, is however needed. In particular, the Commission is seeking further assurance as to how local Commissioners can support the HWBT to extend its reach and to both broaden and deepen RSE education provision in local schools and other education settings. As part of this process, it will be important to understand the current patterns of utilisation and nature of the content delivered by the HWBT across local educational settings to help identify potential gaps in local provision.</p>	<p>ensuring that the RSE education is reflective of the curriculum and shaped by local youth perspective through a partnership with the Super Youth Hub.</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>The Commission was disappointed to learn of the poor take up of the HWBT's RSE training offer to local schools. As a first step, the Commission recommends that further consultative work is undertaken with schools to understand the reasons for this, which may guide and inform future service planning and delivery.</p>	<p>Public Health surveyed schools in 2023 regarding their views and experience of public health services, including Young Hackney Health and Wellbeing services. Just under 30 schools responded; the majority, except for four, were primary schools.</p> <p>The survey revealed that some teaching staff would welcome more support in the delivery of the PSHE/RSE curriculum. Consulting school personnel on RSE will be an important step in the redesign of services, to ensure the RSE curriculum is constant, relevant and acceptable to young people, and signposts effectively into local services.</p> <p>Under Actions 1A1 and 1A3 in the SRH action plan, closer collaboration with schools is foreseen.</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>There is growing evidence of the importance of peer-to-peer education in delivering effective and positive health messaging across networks of young people. This was substantiated in the Commission's focus groups with young people, some of whom</p>	<p>C&H SRH Action Plan</p> <p>The action plan incorporates co-production within a number of its intended outcomes and peer education within RSE can be explored among this. E.g. Action 3A3: Young people are</p>

	<p>described very positive experiences of this method of RSE education delivery. In this context, it is recommended that Commissioners should explore (in collaboration with local health and education providers) how the use of peer education can support ambitions to improve and extend the quality of RSE across educational settings.</p>	<p>engaged in designing or improving pathways, services, promotional materials and/or campaigns to ensure relevance and suitability (coproduction)</p> <p>As described, this priority in the action plan for co-production aligns with the priorities of the Super Youth Hub to influence the provision of PSHE and RSE education in City and Hackney by garnering the youth perspective and voice</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>It is clear that further integration within the sexual and reproductive health care system and improved collaboration with partner agencies is central to the delivery of many of the ambitions and priorities set out in the strategy, and the Commission would welcome greater clarity within the action plan as to how SRH services and their partners will be supported in this locally: In particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Improvements to collaborative pathways and networks between between tier 1 and tier 2 providers; b) How existing infrastructure (such as the Sexual Health Partnership Board, SRE Schools Forum) can be adapted and improved to support more integrated working; c) How local commissioning frameworks support and encourage collaborative working. 	<p>Further information</p> <p>Reviewing the pathways between level 1 and level 2 providers is already underway. Closer collaboration between HSHS and Young Hackney will be partly tested through the in-reach sexual health service TBC. To improve coordination and collaboration between services generally - public health is seeking to establish a 5-19 provider oversight forum to bring together services for young people and adolescents, to explore ways in which services can be better aligned and where there are opportunities for synergy and joining up around priority areas of health, including for sexual and reproductive health. The redesign of youth-facing sexual and reproductive health services will aim to further integrate services. The Super Youth Hub and sexual health in-reach service also provide a potential opportunity to test out new delivery models.</p> <p>C&H SRH Action Plan</p> <p>Actions 2A5 and 2A6, working with the Population Health Hub, 2A7 and 2A8, working with the ICB. 2C1 to 2C6 relate to: The role of all services in providing comprehensive reproductive care and services to residents is clear, promoted and optimised while pathways into and out of non-LA-commissioned services are</p>

		<p>optimised and integrated, including fertility services, period poverty; perimenopause/ menopause; community gynaecology; termination of pregnancy; maternity and post-partum care and complications; cervical screening; endometriosis, genital dermatology, incontinence, heavy menstrual bleeding, Female Genital Mutilation (FGM), and sexual assault services. For example, 2C6: Development of joint NHS and LA commissioning plan for SRH including use of provider selection regime.</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>To help young people navigate sexual and reproductive health care services, the Commission recommends that an integrated sexual and reproductive communications strategy is developed to facilitate quicker and more effective signposting of young people to appropriate services to meet their needs. The HWBT information on the YH website provides the kernel of such information - and further consideration is needed as to how this links to digital social media platforms (as part of broader young people's wellbeing).</p>	<p>Taking a collaborative approach, the London Borough of Hackney Children's and Education Directorate, the Children, Young People, Families and Maternity (CYPMF) Integrated Commissioning Workstream, City and Hackney NHS NEL, CYPMF Clinical Leads, and the relevant ICT departments are working together to explore opportunities where integrated technology solutions can improve services for children and families, enhance staff productivity and streamline communication and information sharing.</p> <p>This is in recognition of the system-wide action required to reduce the fragmentation of online digital tools for young people in accessing and navigating services. The initial discovery phase will result in the development of a digital access strategy and action plan in March 2025.</p> <p>Meanwhile, there is a need to ensure that the existing digital tools and platforms provide accurate information for young people and that different channels are used to communicate to young people the services available and how to access them.</p> <p>C&H SRH Action Plan</p>

		<p>Within the action plan, the following is included: A central online resource for SRH will be developed to provide information, advice and signposting to all relevant SRH services in C&H with booking links where possible (through building on/expanding an existing online resource or portal). Action 1C1: Include a digital and communications strategy for a C&H wide, or NEL-wide online information resource for covering STIs, PEP, PreP, contraception methods, healthy relationships, SHL, testing, DV support, FGM services, Open Doors, online booking. All actions under 1C1 to 1C3. As an example of an initiative that fits within this, the YH lead on YP condom distribution is developing a business case for a WhatsApp advice/support service where YP can ask questions and raise concerns. They could get clinical advice, guidance or appropriate signposting within a set timeframe. Also, Action 3B1: Visibility via the online resource that is to be developed and the YH website.</p>
14	<p>Whilst the discontinuation of the CHYPS Plus service and the need for PH Team to contribute savings for the MTFP; the Commission would welcome further clarity as to whether some element of the £540k savings will be used to support the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Transitional support for remaining sexual and reproductive health services after the discontinuation of CHYPS Plus service e.g. to support services becoming more young person friendly, more accessible opening times for young people. b) Updated advice, information and signposting for young people needing sexual and reproductive health services reflecting the closure of CHYPS Plus and other alternative services available; c) Additional commitments to improve sexual and reproductive health services for young people made within DPH Annual 	<p>C&H SRH Action Plan People have access to clear and appropriate information and resources to help them make informed choices about their sexual and reproductive health. (1C1-1C3 and 3A3, 3B4: Young people are engaged in designing or improving pathways, services, promotional materials and/or campaigns to ensure relevance and suitability (coproduction)</p> <p>Further information As already described the additional resource to deliver sexual and reproductive health in-reach clinics targeting CYP will require that the clinics be flexible and available after hours and at weekends. We are also exploring the role of a specialist sexual health nurse in establishing new in-reach clinics that are</p>

Report.	<p>welcoming and friendly and ensure access for vulnerable groups of young people.</p> <p>As described, the Young Hackney Health and Wellbeing team, in collaboration with HSHS, created a video of attending the Clifden Centre sexual health clinic which is shared at the end of all sexual health workshops delivered by the YH team. Sexual health services websites have been updated to reflect the current services available and the HSHS website enables young people aged 15 and over to book online. Following the closure of CHYPS a letter containing detailed signposting information was shared with a wide range of stakeholders and practitioners to ensure that young people were able to continue to access the services previously provided by CHYPS Plus.</p> <p>As mentioned the strategy and action plan include priorities that align with both the DPH report and that of the scrutiny commission, including increasing co-production. Actions are likely to include collaboration with the SYH and the young researchers in the shaping of services, including RSE education. The Young Hackney H&WB team and young people will continue to produce friendly signposting information and materials with the support of health professionals such as school nurses and a sexual health nurse.</p> <p>Feedback from young people will be central to shaping the design of sexual and reproductive health services based on user experience. Improving young people's awareness of services and their willingness to access them is recognised as a gap across the partnership. As described, the CYPMF Integrated</p>
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		<p>Workstream is developing a digital strategy. Action IC1 of the SRH action plan includes the intention to develop a C&H-wide communication strategy. Public Health will work with the Super Youth Hub, Young Hackney, and communication leads to ensure that the interim resources are promoted and that the receptivity of information is tested and influenced by young people.</p> <p>Collaborative working practices will be tested out through the increased capacity of SRH services to deliver SRH in-reach services and supported by strategic action to increase integration and collaboration of services and groups that seek to influence the health and wellbeing of CYP in City and Hackney.</p>
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