

# children and young people's plan 2009 to 2011: priorities framework

**our vision:** to secure the best possible future for all children and young people in Bromley

our priorities

## be healthy

improve children and young people's health (low birth weight; teenage pregnancy; and obesity)

improve access to child and adolescent mental health services

address the health needs of children and young people with learning difficulties and disabilities

address the rising level of alcohol misuse amongst young people

## stay safe

ensure proper vetting of people who work with children and young people

ensure that there is sufficient support for children with disabilities

ensure the effectiveness of preventative services (children with learning difficulties/disabilities; those in care; and young carers)

develop more locally available and affordable childcare provision.

develop use of the common assessment framework process

## enjoy and achieve

reduce absence from school and improve attendance

ensure that young people from vulnerable groups access educational opportunities

provide support for children with special educational needs without formal "statementing"

improve access to community leisure and recreation for young people

improve educational attainment at key stages 1 and 2

improve school buildings so that they provide the right environment for learning

## make a positive contribution

maintain improvements in the youth offending service and reduce levels of re-offending

improve services for adolescents

improve transition planning for young people with learning difficulties and disabilities

ensure that young people leaving care successfully transfer to independent living

tackle the fear of crime among young people

put in place a boroughwide strategy for reducing bullying

ensure that young people are able to be involved in decision-making

Reduce school exclusions, particularly for vulnerable groups

## achieve economic wellbeing

increase the availability of suitable and affordable housing for vulnerable groups

provide support to parents of disabled children to enable the necessary adaptations to their houses

increase the proportion of young people over 16 with learning difficulties/disabilities in education, employment or training

## service management

further improve the way we track performance and monitor progress in our services

improve the support and challenge to primary schools, enabling targeted schools to sustain improvement

develop the commissioning strategy

fully recognise the diverse needs of the borough's community

ensure the recruitment of sufficient permanent social care staff

## how will we know how we are doing?

we will measure our performance through a range of national and local indicators and targets as part of our performance management framework

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