

Hull City Council
Private Fostering Annual Report
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1. Introduction

- 1.1** The Private Fostering Regulations apply when children or young people, aged under 16 years (18 if they have a disability) live with a person who is not a close relative for 28 days or more. The term 'close relative' has a specific definition within the legislation it includes grandparents, brothers, sisters, uncles, and aunts (whether of the full or half blood or by marriage) and stepparents. Children living with people who are not close relatives, such as a cousin, great aunt or family friend need to be assessed and reviewed under the Private Fostering Regulations to ensure the placement is able to safeguard and promote his/her welfare.
- 1.2.** This annual report gives an overview of activities in relation to privately fostered children in Hull from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025. The report details how Hull City Council has complied with its duties and functions in relation to private fostering and includes how the welfare of privately fostered children has been safeguarded and promoted over the past 12 months. The report also outlines the activities which have been undertaken to promote awareness of the notification requirements regarding children who are living in private fostering arrangements.
- 1.3.** In Hull over the past year, we have continued to promote local understanding and awareness of private fostering and sought to improve how we meet the needs of the children and young people concerned. This includes using audit to review our own performance and to identify if improvements are needed.

2. Procedures

- 2.1** Following the Laming Report in 2003 into the death of Victoria Climbié (who was privately fostered by her Great Aunt at the time of her death), regulations relating to Private Fostering were amended and strengthened by Section 44 of the Children Act 2004. The following year two further documents were published; The National Minimum Standards (NMS) 2005 and The Children (Private Arrangements for Fostering) Regulation 2005, which clearly set out the role of the Local Authority, the Parent and the Private Foster carer and related professionals. Under Standard 7 of the National Minimum Standards for private fostering, local authorities are expected to effectively monitor the way in which it discharges its duties and functions in relation to private fostering, including to provide a written report each year, for consideration by the Director of

Children's Services, which includes an evaluation of the outcomes of its work in relation to privately fostered children within its area. (Supporting Criteria 7.9 NMS for Private Fostering). Private fostering arrangements continue to be a focus of the Ofsted Local Authority Inspections.

3. Organisational aspects and processes

- 3.1** Hull City Council Children's Services is committed to ambitious standards of practice in relation to private fostering service provision and ensuring that this service is continually reviewed. There is a Designated Manager (Head of Service and author of this report) who has the lead for private fostering and their role is to ensure that all children privately fostered are identified accordingly and that they are in safe placements which are appropriately assessed, complying with the regulations including; The Children (Private Arrangements for Fostering) Regulations 2005, The Replacement Children Act 1989 Guidance on Private Fostering 2005, The National Minimum Standards for Private Fostering 2005 and our Hull Social Work Practice Standards.
- 3.2** A private fostering steering group was established in May 2022 chaired by the Designated Manager; this is responsible for overall oversight of private fostering work, quality of practice and compliance with procedures.
- 3.3** Performance data that social care team managers and senior leaders have access to allows them to maintain an overview of performance in relation to private fostering. Recording of work undertaken with regards to private fostering is recorded on Liquid Logic in the child/young person records.
- 3.4** Any parent proposing to have their child cared for by someone other than a close relative for more than 28 days, or a carer who is proposing to look after someone else's child who is not a close relative, should notify Children's Services at least 6 weeks before the arrangement is due to begin. This is known as a "Proposed Arrangement". In these circumstances the notification form on the online portal or the notification form on the Hull City Council Website be completed and emailed to the Early Help and Safeguarding Hub (EHASH) inbox as stated on the form to instigate the required statutory social work response. However, the more usual presenting situation is one whereby social care is notified or becomes aware of an arrangement when the child is already with the prospective private foster carer.
- 3.5** Where a child is not currently known to a social worker, a contact will be loaded and progressed for referral as the specific needs of the child will require assessment by a social worker. After formal notification, there is a requirement for an initial visit to the private foster carers to be undertaken within seven days to discuss the assessment process. DBS checks must be undertaken on all members of the household over the age of sixteen as opposed to simple police checks. The private foster carers provide two

personal references (where there is a joint application, referees should know both applicants, or additional referees will be required). These should be completed by the social worker using the Private Fostering Personal Reference Form.

- 3.6** There is a specific Private Fostering Assessment and pathway on Liquid Logic which should be completed within 42 working days. Upon completion, this should be authorised by the Team Manager and presented to the Designated Manager for a decision regarding approval of the arrangement.

4. Visits

- 4.1** Following the initial visit, visits are undertaken at a minimum frequency of six-weekly during the first year of a child being placed with the private foster carers and three-monthly thereafter. Visits are recorded as Private Fostering Visits on Liquid Logic. Recording is set out using the Signs of Safety Practice model. The voice of the child is the focus of the visit, to understand what life is like for them on a day-to-day basis; if they are happy, safe and their needs are being met.
- Children are spoken to specifically about the arrangement and the care they receive.
 - Children are seen alone and in the presence of their carer.
 - Recordings reflect the conversations and observations made during the visit in good detail.
 - The relationship between the child and social worker is especially important for them to feel comfortable in sharing any concerns if the child is enough to.
- 4.2** Statutory visits will be undertaken within the family home and include the child being seen alone unless there is a specific reason for not doing so. The child's bedroom will be seen on some visits and always on the first visit.
- 4.3** All children who were subject to a private fostering arrangement in this quarter had regular visits that often-exceeded statutory requirements.

5. Review

- 5.1 An annual review of the private fostering arrangement is be chaired by the Designated Manager. During the reporting period there have been no children that have required an annual review as their private fostering arrangement ceased before this was required.
- 5.2 Not every child in a private fostering arrangement will be a Child in Need (CIN). Where services are being provided under section 17, CIN status and reviewing timescales will be required as per guidelines.
- 5.3 Private fostering arrangements cease at the age of sixteen (or eighteen if the child / young person has disabilities).
- 5.4 Decisions regarding requirements, disqualification and prohibition should be referred to the Designated Lead for Private Fostering. None were referred in the reporting period.

6. Activity and Performance in relation to National Minimum Standards

National Minimum Standard One

- 6.1 *The local authority has a written statement or plan, which sets out its duties and functions in relation to private fostering and the ways in which they will be carried out.*
- 6.2 Hull City Council has a statement of purpose for private fostering which was reviewed and updated in September 2022, a further review and update will be made in 2025. Information about private fostering can be found through the Hull City Council website along with a useful animation that explains private fostering in an easy-to-understand manner. ([Private fostering | Hull](#)) as well as the Hull Safeguarding Children Partnership (HSCP) website. ([Private Fostering – Hull Collaborative Partnership](#)). The information is now also available in many additional languages to improve accessibility for families whose first language is not English.
- 6.3 Private Fostering work with families is quality assured by the Quality Assurance Lead in the Improvement, Performance and Quality Service, assisted by the Social work Academy.

National Minimum Standard Two

- 6.4 The local authority:
 - Promotes awareness of the notification requirements and ensures that those professionals who may come into contact with privately fostered children understand their role in notification.

- Responds effectively to notifications.
- Responds to situations where an arrangement comes to their attention, when the local authority has not been notified.

Awareness Raising

- 6.5** Public, partner agency and internal awareness raising took place in June 2024, December 2024 (private fostering week) and March 2025 via the Hull Safeguarding Children's Partnership (HSCP). This included dissemination of a one-minute guide via the HSCP which was distributed across all key services including Health and Schools, publication in the HSCP newsletter and periodic highlights on the HSCP social media platforms.
- 6.6** The third Private Fostering week was held in December 2024 which included additional public facing, partnership and internal activity led by the Social Work Academy. All publicity material was updated and sent out to partners which included posters and a new Microsoft Team screen background. News articles were written for the Hull City Council news page and online platforms. Internally the Social Work Academy issued information throughout the week to the social work teams to upskill staff.
- 6.7** Additionally, work has been undertaken with the Media Team during the reporting period and undertook the following work:
- Private fostering communications toolkit created and distributed to key partners and stakeholders including scrutiny committee for sharing with communities/constituents. Toolkit included:
 - Internal communications content for intranets and internal newsletters
 - Website copy
 - Social media assets and draft social media posts
 - Marketing materials
 - Item in '3 from SLT' (Senior Leadership Team) to all CYPFS managers
 - Article in CYPFS News – including distribution of private fostering MS Teams backgrounds and materials
 - Article in neighbourhoods and housing internal newsletter
 - Article in Adults Social Care internal newsletter
 - Article in external residents e-newsletter (sent to c.10,000 residents)
 - Content shared via Hull City Council social media channels
 - Content shared on appropriate service area websites e.g. Family Hubs, Thrive, Hull SEND Local Offer
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 - Marketing teams supported to create a pull up banner and poster, poster distributed to council locations e.g. Brunswick House, Family Hubs, neighbourhoods and housing, youth centres
 - Media release issued and added as a news story to HCC News

- 6.8** The Private Fostering Champion has undertaken 26 consultations with social workers in the reporting period to support quality and compliance of work. This role is ongoing.
- 6.9** Information about private fostering is available on the Hull City Council and Hull Safeguarding Children's Partnership websites. Private fostering notifications are made on the online portal with a bespoke section for referrals through to the EHASH (Early help and Safeguarding Hub). This makes notifications simpler and more accessible. Additionally, there is now the option for professionals to request a consultation with a social worker in the EHASH team.
- 6.10** Private fostering briefings have been delivered to all Primary and Secondary Designated Safeguarding Leads and the Hull Voluntary, Charity and Social Enterprise Forum. This work is ongoing and supported by the Education Social Worker based in the EHASH and the Education Safeguarding Lead.
- 6.11** The HSCP are also using private fostering examples as part of their workshop materials for delivering the Threshold Guidance that was recently updated. This has been delivered to nearly 2000 professionals which include, CSC, Early Help, Police, Housing, Education and Voluntary sector.
- 6.12** There is a vigorous effort made by different service areas to work collaboratively in raising awareness across the partnership.
- 6.13** A private fostering steering group is established and continues to lead on the regular communication campaign throughout the year to ensure that awareness is consistently promoted.
- 6.14** Information and updates continue to be disseminated via the governance structure which includes the front door Operational Management Group (OMG) and the Multi Agency Arrangements Subgroup (HSCP).

Response to Notifications

- 6.15** In Hull, most if not all notifications are received once the placement has already been made. The current arrangements have meant that the majority of children received a timely response to all notifications, with seven of the eight children/young people being visited within 7 days and one at day 10.

National Minimum Standard Three

- 6.16** *Safeguarding and Promoting Welfare. The local authority determines effectively the suitability of all aspects of the private fostering arrangement in accordance with the regulations.*
- 6.17** The safeguarding of children who are privately fostered is a responsibility which impacts upon all parts of the local authority, health, and the voluntary and private sectors, and as such the HSCP Manager attends the private

fostering steering group and are proactive in supporting the multi-agency approach in relation to private fostering.

- 6.18** Children's Services continue to ensure that privately fostered children/young people's welfare is satisfactorily safeguarded and promoted by qualified social work staff undertaking the assessments and support of the arrangement and private foster carers. Work is overseen by the Team Manager and Group Manager to monitor the work of the social worker. If required, action will be taken on individual cases to ensure compliance with agreed policy and procedure.
- 6.19** When completing the private fostering arrangement assessment (PFAAR) the child is seen alone, and their wishes and feelings ascertained and considered together with the child's needs. Also, as part of the assessment the social worker must contact the parents to seek their view with regards to the arrangement and to explain how Parental Responsibility will need to be exercised.
- 6.20** In Hull all private foster carers are DBS checked and are assessed in accordance with the National Minimum Standards. In accordance with Section 69 Children Act 1989, Children's Services have the power to prohibit a person from privately fostering where that person is considered not suitable, where the accommodation is not suitable, where the child's welfare would be harmed, where someone has been convicted for offences against children or where the care of the child is unsatisfactory. There have been no incidents of prohibition or disqualification during the last year, therefore no legal action was taken.
- 6.21** Each private fostering arrangement is annually reviewed by the Designated Manager in line with the statutory requirements and as such, the cases are open to scrutiny in respect of care planning and intervention.

National Minimum Standard Four

- 6.22** *The local authority provides such advice and support to private foster carers and prospective private foster carers as appear to the authority to be needed.*
- 6.23** A social worker will be allocated to each privately fostered child. The social worker will be responsible for working with and supporting each private foster carer/parent/other concerned and privately fostered child. They will promote ongoing advice including benefit entitlement, parenting strategies and offer support deemed appropriate. They will also undertake statutory visits and see the child regularly and alone where appropriate. Interpreters will be used where it is the request of the child/young person or where the preferred language is not English.
- 6.24** Private foster carers are offered a fostering social worker so that they can benefit from any additional support and training, similar to what is offered to mainstream foster carers if they felt they would like this. This is a bespoke offer, depending on individual requirements to ensure the arrangement is

supported. Two families in the reporting period have taken up the offer of this support.

National Minimum Standard Five

- 6.25** *The local authority provides such advice and information to the parents of children who are privately fostered within their area as appears to the authority to be needed.*
- 6.26** The children's social worker provides parents with information regarding the legal and regulatory functions of the local authority during their work with those parents to ensure that they are aware of these and what they may expect from the local authority. Hull City Council through the monitoring of the case work for children who are in private fostering arrangements, ensures that plans for rehabilitation to birth families is considered, along with ongoing monitoring of the suitability of those private fostering arrangements.

National Minimum Standard Six

- 6.27** *Children who are privately fostered are able to access information and support when required so that their welfare is safeguarded and promoted. Privately fostered children are enabled to participate in decisions about their lives.*
- 6.28** All children who are privately fostered in Hull have an allocated qualified social worker who provides information, advice and support to the child, private foster carer, and their parent(s) and/or any other person with Parental Responsibility.
- 6.29** There is a requirement for a visit to be made to the carer and child within seven working days when the notification is received, and subsequent visits are to take place every six weeks in the first year and every three months thereafter. In Hull we acknowledge the importance of completing the visits in required timescales, to ensure that the children are well cared for in a safe environment, also to identify the help and support available that may assist the private foster carer.
- 6.30** All privately fostered children in Hull can access an independent advocate via The National Youth Advocacy Service (NYAS).

National Minimum Standard Seven

- 6.31** *The local authority has in place and implements effectively a system for monitoring the way in which it discharges its duties and functions in relation to private fostering. It improves practice where this is indicated as necessary by the monitoring system.*
- 6.32** All children will have case supervision between the social worker and team manager a minimum of once every two months. The role of this is for

management oversight of the case progression, compliance with statutory requirements and quality of practice.

6.33 Quality assurance work has been undertaken during the reporting period of all children that were subject to a private fostering notification/arrangement at the time which identified the following:

What's working well

- Private fostering consultations with the Practice Lead take place timely and supported the social work practice.
- All but one initial visit was within statutory timescales.
- Effective communication with and engagement of child, parent and carer
- Most assessments were of good quality
- Evidence of active use of the advocacy service to support children who consented to this.
- Good management oversight via supervision
- Children where reunified with family when possible or an alternate longer term plan via court order was achieved to support permanence arrangements

Opportunities:

- A need to ensure that all assessments are within statutory timescales where possible with DBS and references to be applied for at the earliest point.
- Safety planning to be clear during initial visits pending the outcome of the assessment and DBS checks, even when children are subject to CIN.
- Inconsistencies in practice identified for two children led to inadequate assessment of the arrangement (one child returned home early, one child was open as CIN so some assurance of oversight).
- Some variation in practice highlighting the need to further strengthen social work knowledge and understanding of processes.

6.34 The Social Work Practice standards include private fostering to make practice expectations clear.

- 6.35** The governance arrangements ensure that private fostering attracts multi-agency oversight and partnership working. This ensures that children and families benefit from robust processes that have good strategic oversight.
- 6.36** The private fostering policy has been disseminated across the workforce and will support ongoing training and development.
- 6.37** The activities of private fostering are reported to the Director of Children's Services and Lead Member for Children's Services. The annual report relating to private fostering is shared with the Director, Lead Member and HSCP. Hull City Council continues to review and develop a comprehensive service for privately fostered children and all those involved in private fostering, to ensure that the authority complies with relevant legislation and meets the National Minimum Standards in relation to private fostering.

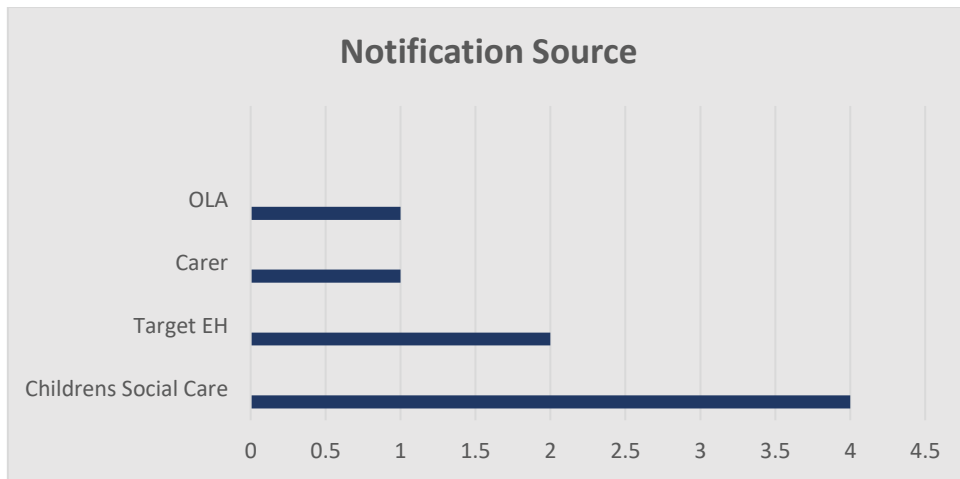
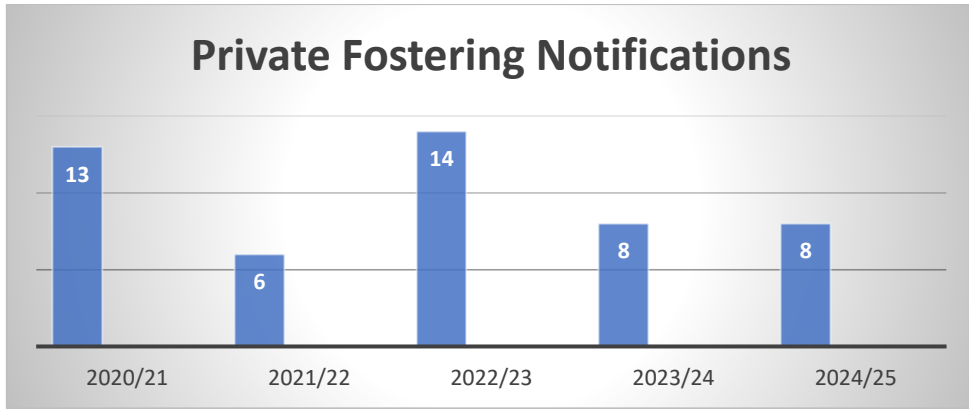
7. Complaints and Representations

- 7.1** There have been no complaints or representations during this period.

8. Data regarding Private Fostering arrangements in Hull

Notifications

- 8.1** In the last five years Hull City Council has not had significant numbers of notifications of private fostering arrangements though these are consistent in three of the last five years, with a dip during the Covid period and an increase following this. For this reporting period there were eight notifications. The latest available comparative data from the Yorkshire and Humber region shows Hull compares similarly with other authorities with three authorities reporting less than 5 notifications in the year. Private Fostering notifications are not captured by the benchmarking data for the statistical returns, so a comparison is not able to be made currently against statistical neighbours. Future performance evaluations will incorporate comparisons with statistical neighbours. The Performance Team is currently working to establish the necessary data collection processes to support this approach.



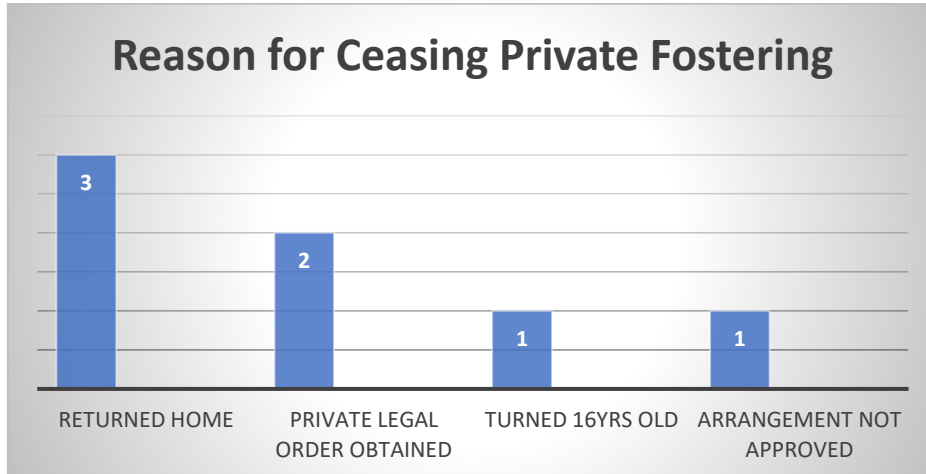
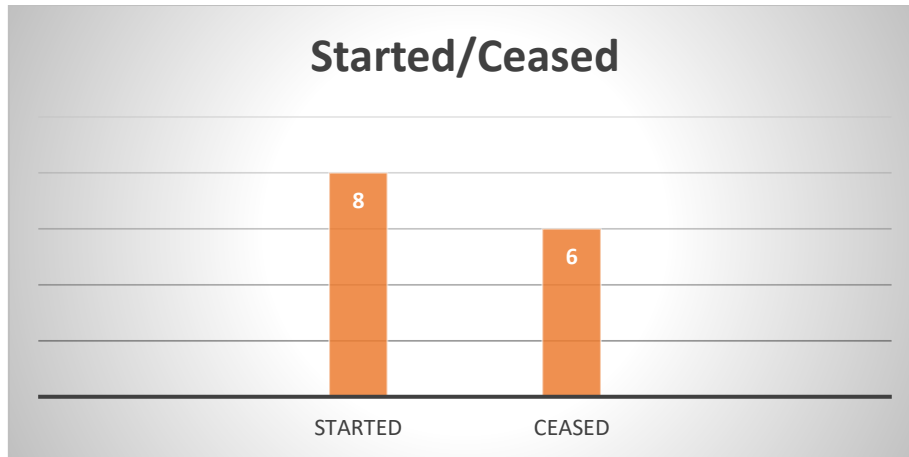
8.2 Significant effort in this reporting period has taken place to raise awareness of private fostering amongst parents, carers, and professionals. However, this data demonstrates that social workers and carers continue to be to the main source of notifications with two notifications from Targeted Early Help Services. Notifications regarding private fostering arrangements have remained consistent from Hull’s internal social care teams, indicating sustained awareness and engagement within the sector. However, referral rates from external professionals—particularly those in Education, Health, Police, and the voluntary sector—remain disproportionately low or entirely absent. This ongoing disparity highlights a critical need to strengthen multi-agency understanding and responsiveness. All professionals who come into contact with children and families must be adequately equipped to identify and report private fostering arrangements, in line with statutory safeguarding responsibilities.

Private Fostering Arrangements

8.3 Of the eight notifications all eight progressed to a private fostering assessment, however two ceased early, one child moved to another carer, and one ended due to safeguarding concerns that needed additional local

authority intervention, demonstrating swift action to safeguard children. Of the six assessments that progressed to completion two resulted in a formal arrangement. Most of the children who were assessed were also supported under Child in Need (CIN), where they were subject to relevant CIN processes and reviewing timescales. Management oversight of these children was good with timely supervision that supported progression for the children to ensure their needs continued to be met.

8.4 In total six children ceased to be privately fostered, 2 of which were children from the previous reporting period.



8.5 Three children successfully returned to their parents care with social work support and two other children achieved stability through private legal orders. One young person turned 16 years old and there was good planning for post 16yr care arrangements, and one child who was open to a different Local Authority (but living in Hull with non-immediate relatives) required additional statutory social work intervention due to the risk in the home. This was a good outcome for all these children, in terms of their safety, wellbeing and/or achieving permanence through alternate means all of which were in a timely manner. There is a keen focus to ensure that where children can return home,

they do and when they cannot a suitable safe long-term arrangement is planned often through legal intervention when necessary.

Assessment

- 8.6** Of the six assessments that progressed, four were within statutory timescale (66.6% - 16.6% increase from the last reporting period) the delays were due to awaiting DBS checks. The children were also open as CIN (child in need) and had good social work and management oversight throughout the assessments. The latest available regional comparison data shows assessment timescales between 60%-100%. Future performance evaluations will incorporate comparisons with statistical neighbours. The Performance Team is currently working to establish the necessary data collection processes to support this approach.
- 8.7** Of the six assessments reviewed through quality assurance processes, four were deemed to be of good quality. These assessments demonstrated a thorough understanding of the child's needs and perspectives, as well as those of their parents or carers. They also reflected a careful evaluation of the carers' capacity to provide safe and appropriate care.
- 8.8** However, two cases highlighted inconsistencies in assessment practice. In one instance, a Child and Family Assessment was conducted instead of the required Private Fostering Assessment. In another, the arrangement was not formally assessed, although the child was subject to a Child in Need (CIN) plan, which ensured a degree of oversight.
- 8.9** These findings indicate that while most children benefited from comprehensive and appropriate assessments, there remain gaps in consistency. This is likely attributable to the infrequency of private fostering notifications, which may contribute to a lack of clarity around procedural expectations. The review underscores the need for strengthened management oversight and clearer guidance through case supervision to ensure practitioners fully understand and adhere to the required processes for private fostering assessments.

Ethnicity

- 8.10** Six of the children in the reporting period were White/British, one Black/British and one White/Roma.

Initial visits

- 8.11** During the reporting period, initial visits were conducted for all eight children subject to private fostering notifications. Seven of the eight children received their initial visit within the statutory timeframe of seven days following notification. The remaining child was visited on day ten due to family availability, which was appropriately documented.
- 8.12** All eight visits were audited as being of good quality. Each visit:

- Effectively captured the voice of both the child and the parent/carer
- Demonstrated clear and effective communication
- Included explanations of the private fostering process and what families could expect
- Two of the visits were rated as excellent. In these cases, safety planning was proactively undertaken pending the outcome of the full assessment. This has been shared with teams as an example of best practice for social workers to follow.

9. Developments for the next twelve months for private fostering in Hull

9.1 This report has been used to develop an action plan that will be progressed by the Private Fostering Steering Group in 2025/2026.

9.2 The table below shows progress against previous actions.

2024/2025		
Development	Measure	Date
Ongoing public and partner agency awareness raising Including: Media packs for all agencies and professionals for use in staff inductions/Team Meetings and quarterly spotlight electronic communication/events to target key agencies HSCP media releases.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notifications will be received from agencies/professionals, particularly those that have received targeted support. 	Completed via Private Fostering week December 2024 and further communications to partners in June 2024 and March 2025
The Social Work Academy will continue to support practice which will be supported through an ongoing programme of quality assurance activity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit activity will show improved practice and more “good and outstanding” outcomes 	Completed and ongoing
Implementation of a private fostering consultation offer in EHASH for professionals who need further advice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased knowledge and confidence reported by professionals in identifying private fostering arrangements. 	Completed EHASH consultation offer now in place since December 2025

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased notifications of children living in private fostering arrangements from professionals 	
Development of a QR code to update publicity material to improve accessibility to information held on Hull City Council's website.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public and professionals will report easier access to information and advice 	Completed
Work with Education to consider an amendment to Hull's school's admission form or an agreed process to alert children services should the form state that the child is not living with parents/immediate relatives. Scoping of other local authorities is needed to see how this can best work for Hull City Council. This will raise awareness, promote notifications so that arrangements can be progressed to ensure children are safe and have local authority oversight.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Process will be in place for parents/cares/admissions team to inform children's social care that they have a child living in a private fostering arrangement if they have not already done so when applying for a school place 	Ongoing Restricted due to parameters of the Local Authority Admissions Code. Work will be progressed in 2025/2026 to work with schools/Trusts to have this information collected via admission packs. Education safeguarding worker to assist with this.

2025/2026		
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Ongoing public and partner agency awareness raising Including: Media packs for all agencies and professionals for use in staff inductions/Team Meetings and quarterly spotlight electronic communication/events to target key agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notifications will be received from agencies/professionals, particularly those that have received targeted support. 	Throughout 2025/2026 Audit activity - September 2025

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<p>HSCP media releases. This will include “spot checks” by the Social Work Academy to partner agency and neighbourhood venues to ensure publicity material is being displayed.</p>		
<p>HSCP along with the voluntary North Bank FORUM to arrange focus groups with minority communities and faith leaders to strengthen engagement and understanding of safeguarding which will include private fostering</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notifications will be received from agencies/professionals, particularly those that have received targeted support. 	<p>Throughout 2025/2026</p>
<p>The Social Work Academy will continue to support practice which will be supported through an ongoing programme of quality assurance activity. This will include additional oversight to “close the loop” to ensure that processes are followed throughout the child’s journey.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit activity will show improved practice and more “good and outstanding” outcomes 	<p>Throughout 2025/2026</p>
<p>Strengthen management oversight at Group Manager level to ensure that practice is consistent across all teams.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit activity will show improved practice and more “good and outstanding” outcomes 	<p>Throughout 2025/2026</p>
<p>Ongoing awareness raising of the EHASH consultation offer for private fostering in EHASH for professionals who need further advice.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased knowledge and confidence reported by professionals in identifying private fostering arrangements. • Increased notifications of children living in private fostering arrangements from professionals 	<p>Throughout 2025/2026</p>
<p>Work with Education settings to identify children living in a</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Process will be in place for parents/cares/education 	<p>September 2025-March 2026</p>

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private fostering arrangement via use of admission packs	settings to inform children's social care that they have a child living in a private fostering arrangement.	
Review and update the private fostering Statement of Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Up to date information will be provided publicly on the council website	August 2025