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Hillingdon YOT

Name of project / initiative

Parent Champions

Overview

The council is working with parenting organisation, Brilliant Parents, to recruit and train 15 'parent champions' a year in West Drayton, Yiewsley, Hayes and Harlington.

The parent champions are trained volunteers who are paired with local families with a child at risk of exploitation. The champions are trained peers and provide friendship, support, and advice and guidance to families.

Longevity

Since 2020

Benefits

Helps to identify children at risk earlier, and build links and trust with local communities.

Uniqueness

A number of London boroughs have similar schemes but we believe this is a particularly good example.

Applicability

Could be rolled out in any YJ area.

Requirements

In-house capacity to provide the training and ongoing support, or funding to buy that in from a partner agency (as Hillingdon YOT does).

For more information:

Contact: Meave Darroux, CEO, Brilliant Parents - enquiries@brilliantparents.org

See also: [additional documentation](#) and [a short video about the programme](#)

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