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Outcome 3 - Children and Young People behave positive responsibility for the behaviour of their children	ly, take r	esponsibility for their actions and feel safe within the Borough, and parents and carers take
At the end of the year, all of the four aims being progress	sed are o	n track
We aimed to:-	RAG Status	Update
Reduce the number of first time entrants in the youth justice system and reduce levels of re-offending	Green	During 2012/13:- - Just 1 out of 42 young people who had been mentored as part of the Bromley Mentoring Initiative, have gone on to offend.
		- The 36 day Bromley Youth Support Programme (BYSP) Summer Programme, saw a 35% (from 42 to 27) reduction in anti social behaviour relative to the previous year.
		- 5% more young people known to the YOT participated in Education, Training and Employment than in 2011/12.
		In the coming year we will focus on:- Improving the participation of Children's Social Care service users, in particular Looked After Children and Care Leavers, in apprenticeships and work based training. Developing viable alternatives to custody for young people on remand
Enhance opportunities for positive activities for young people across the borough	Green	At the end of March 2013:- - 2,319 young people had participated in the Duke of Edinburgh Awards Programme. 16 individuals achieved gold standard, 78 silver, and 263 bronze making 2013 the most successful year for DofE achievement.
		- Bromley Council Voluntary Youth Service (BCVYS), through lease and equipment support grants to 17 organisations, enabled them to provide opportunities for approx 600 young people to participate in uniformed youth activities.
		- The Bromley Youth Support Programme centre based activities achieved 25,000 attendances by 5,927 individuals. Average attendance was 15, with 1,400 young people attending at least 4 sessions of activity.
		- The Easter holiday activity programme was attended by 1,200 young people with a Saturday event at the Glades attracting 180 young people.
Maximise the use of School Councils to undertake regular surveys to identify the key concerns of children and young people regarding their experiences of bullying		The Bromley Youth Council ran a successful anti-bullying campaign during Q3 following the Bromley Youth Council making it their 2012 top priority. This high level campaign, under the title 'Banter or Bullying?' was supported by the Children's Champion, and included articles in the NewsShopper and the launch of an anti bullying pledge.

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Ensure that the Borough is able to implement and deliver the Government's Tackling Troubled Families programme	Green	DCLG Funding was drawn down from Executive in October 2012 with a Coordinator and 4 Family Support and Parenting officers commencing work in quarter 4. Initial measures for the year 1 cohort of 163 families are to be submitted to the DCLG in July 2013, with 285 families (provisional figure subject to confirmation of nominated families meeting the criteria) identified for the year 2 cohort. The 'Tackling Troubled Families' updating report is available separately on this agenda (report CS13009)
		In the coming year we will now focus on:- Working with the Year 2 cohort to achieve the Government's aims of improving employment, school attendance and a reduction in anti social behaviour
Outcome 4 - Children and Young People are safe where	they live,	go to school, work and play
At the end of the year, seven out of the eight aims being	progress	ed are on track and one aim requires additional work to meet the end of year target
Ensure that vulnerable children and families are identified and supported at the earliest possible stage	Green	Over 600 individuals from vulnerable families were supported, through the parenting programmes offered through Children and Families Centres, Schools and the Bromley Children Project outreach services, to build confidence and develop positive parenting skills.
		During 2012/13 there has been increased footfall across all 6 Children and Family Centres of over 9,000. This also includes an increase in individual registrations to services at the centres by 2,000.
		335 Common Assessment Framework forms were completed in 2012/13. As referrals from schools have reduced, targeted meetings and training have taken place which will be further supported by the launch of the new shortened Common Assessment Framework form and associated training at the beginning of July.
Increase the number of in borough family placements for children with more complex needs and disabilities	Green	During 2012/13, 22 new sets of foster carers were recruited against a target of 20. There has been a small increase in the number of children placed with in house foster carers at 70% (143) compared with 68% (131) in 2011/12, and a reduction in the percentage placed with Independent Fostering Agencies from 18% to 15%.
		The new package of reward for foster carers was successfully implemented in August 2012 without loss of any foster carers. The review of payments to foster carers of children with complex needs and disabilities is underway and will be reported to Executive in Quarter 2.
		In the coming year we will focus on:- The recruitment of an additional 20 foster carers to meet the needs of older children, sibling groups and those with complex needs
Improve the outcomes of Children in Care through the effective use of Corporate Parenting	Green	The Corporate Parenting Strategy for 2013/15 has been developed together with an associated action plan to address key areas of performance and improve health outcomes. A full report is available on this agenda under report reference CS13013.

We aimed to:-	RAG Status	Update
Increase the timeliness and number of children adopted	Amber	During 2012/13, 17 children were subject to an adoption order compared with 10 in 2011/12. Of these, there were two children with disabilities and three sibling groups. 12% of children adopted during 2012/13 were adopted from the LAC cohort, in line with the national average of 12%. As at 31st March, of the 33 children with a Care Order and Placement Order, 17 had been matched or placed, and work continues with the remainder of the cohort.         87% of all adopter assessments are completed within the statutory timeframe of eight months. Significant work has been undertaken, including increasing capacity within the team, to ensure that the revised timescale of six months, to be implemented in June 2013, is met.         A robust permanency planning tracking and monitoring process is now in place and keeps up to date information on the care planning in relation to all children under 13. This has been further strengthened by the appointment of a dedicated Business Process Analyst.         In the coming year we will focus on:-         Reducing the number of weeks children are subject to care proceedings
Further strengthen improvements in children's social care and safeguarding services	Green	A third (19) of the actions outlined in the Children's Safeguarding and Social Care Improvement plan have now beer completed. The 38 still in progress continue to be monitored closely by the Children's Social Care Senior Management Team. An updating report to Members will be completed in the Autumn.
Implement the changes required by the Munro Review of Child Protection - including the revised 'Working Together' Statutory Guidance	Green	The new 'Working Together' guidance has now been published and, as reported in the half year update, the main change is to the assessment requirements. Bromley is currently reviewing its assessment approach in line with the guidance but will refrain from final implementation until the London Child Protection Procedures have been reviewed.
Ensure safeguarding arrangements in all key partner agencies are suitably robust	Green	The Performance Management and Improvement Framework for the Bromley Safeguarding Children Board has now been developed and introduced. The first multi agency audit took place at the end of Quarter 4 and will be reported to the BSAB Quality Assurance meeting in Quarter 1.
Implement the pilot Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan test with a group of families. Gain validation from the Department of Education (DfE)	Green	<ul> <li>Whilst this project still has pilot status, (full implementation taking place on 1st September 2013), 30 young people are now involved in the testing of the holistic assessment and planning tool (an increase from 20 at the half year stage).</li> <li>The Education, Health and Care Plan model has now been validated by the Department for Education, and the Bromley Model ensures compliance with statutory regulations throughout the transition phase.</li> </ul>
Develop a multi agency commissioning forum to ensure that sufficient resources are commissioned to fulfil plans and provide a local offer	Green	A review of therapy services and short breaks was undertaken in Quarter 4. The output will inform needs within the school community in terms of capacity and geography, and will drive a more robust commissioning policy in terms of value for money and ensuring that resources are targeted in the areas of most need.

We aimed to:-	RAG Status	Update
Outcome 5 - Ensuring the health and wellbeing of childre	en and yo	oung people, and their families
At the end of the year, three out of the four aims being p	rogresse	d are on track and one aim requires additional work to meet the end of year target
Use the Healthy Schools Programme to work with schools to improve the health and wellbeing of all pupils within Bromley Schools	Green	Emotional health focussed prevention work has been identified by the school nurses as the priority area for future work.
		Work has commenced to identify a way in which a Healthy Schools scheme can be set up in Bromley, linked to Healthy Schools London.
Improve provision emotional wellbeing, mental health services and counselling services for children, young people and families	Green	Following a needs assessment and review of service for children and young people with emotional or mental health issues, two workshops were held in Quarter 1 to consider each care pathway and establish the range of services required in line with legal/statutory requirements, evidence based practice and clinical guidance.
		In the coming year we will focus on:- Joint development and procurement of the new Children and Adolescent Mental Health model in conjunction with the Clinical Commissioning Group
Implement the Health Visiting Commissioning Action Plan for the period 2011-16	Green	As part of a positive internal review and an external peer review, areas identified for future development include - extending pre birth contact by the Health Visitor - reinstating two year checks by the Health Visiting team
		- community development by the Health Visiting team
Develop a range of options to provide additional short breaks for disabled children in family settings including recruiting additional short break foster families, outreach workers and home sitters	Green	A review of short breaks service was undertaken in Quarter 4. The output will inform needs within the school community in terms of capacity and geography and will drive a more robust commissioning policy in terms of value for money and ensuring that resources are targeted in the areas of most need. Implementation of new commissioning arrangements is anticipated in Quarter 3.
		In the coming year we will focus on:- Supporting children with complex disabilities to remain within the family home and their local community through the provision of a range of high quality short breaks services ranging from after school activities to overnight care
Raise awareness about young carers and arrange training for social work staff and partner agencies	Green	The Young Carers Assessment Tool has been reviewed, and awareness raising and training completed with social work teams. Social workers within the children's referral and assessment, and safeguarding and planning teams, are now using the assessment tool, with four cases now completed via the new methodology.
		An internet based information pack for young carers is planned for the summer of 2013. It is anticipated that young carers will participate in the shaping and development of the web site prior to the launch. Other opportunities include involving young carers in the delivery of training sessions, potentially through pre recorded video messages.
		During 2012/13, the Young Carers Senior Practitioner worked with 14 Young Carers and four cases closed during 2012/13 (carers aged 11 to 18) have not been re-referred. This is a significant outcome in terms of achievement of those Young Carers.

We aimed to:-	RAG Status	Update
Review, consult on and update the Young Carers Strategy and Project Plan	Green	The Carers Strategy refresh was completed in the first half of 2012 and includes a Young Carers section. Of the 12 actions detailed in the Young Carers Project Plan, 6 have now been completed and 6 are in progress. The Council's commitment to ensuring young carers are recognised and supported continues to be a priority for the Young Carers Project Plan and the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
Ensure all children in care receive good levels of support and access to health services (such as regular dental checks), through targeted support from the dedicated children in care nurse	Amber	85% of the LAC cohort have had an up to date dental and medical check during the year against a target of 95%. Some issues are still experienced with encouraging older adolescents to access dental care. 95% of theLAC cohort have an up to date immunisation plan against a target of 100%. Work with Bromley Healthcare is in course to address the deficit through an education programme.
Improve the emotional health of all children in care through early access to appropriate services	Green	Following a needs assessment and review of service for children and young people with emotional or mental health issues, two workshops are were held in Quarter 1 to consider each care pathway to establish the range of services required in line with legal/statutory requirements, evidence based practice and clinical guidance.
Outcome 6 - Enhancing quality of life for people with car	e and sup	port needs
At the end of the year, a small element of three of the fou	ır aims bei	ng progressed requires additional work to meet the end of year target
Provide locally relevant information about care and support need to enable choice and control - launch the self assessment and access on Bromley MyLife web	Amber	Work continues to enhance the site including the development of the housing pages, a number of 'talking heads' videos, and a Webinar to explain navigation around the site.
portal - develop and enhance the Bromley MyLife guides		Plans to launch the self assessment access on Bromley MyLife are currently on hold pending further enhancements and developments from OLM.
		In the coming year we will focus on:- Development of an accessible online directory of services for children, families and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.
Ensure, through external commissioning arrangements, that information, advice and guidance, together with benefits support is available to people with learning disabilities and mental health needs	Green	The Quarter 4 learning disability partnership board sub group meeting included representatives from Housing Providers and the DWP, and focussed on the impending changes for disabled people to council tax and housing benefit.
Reduce care home and hospital admissions	Green	Reduction in the number of adults and older people placed in residential and nursing homes by 124 since March 2012.
		In November 2012, opened an Extra Care Housing Scheme in the west of the borough with 50 flats available to support older people to maintain their independence in their own homes. As at 2nd April 2013, 42 service users (38 flats) had moved in or had been approved at panel. A further Extra Care Housing Scheme, in the centre of the Borough, which opened in August 2012 was home to 61 individuals (53 flats) at 2nd April 2013.
		In the coming year we will focus on:- Market testing the Extra Care Housing service to establish who is best place to deliver the service. Reviewing the capacity within the ECH schemes to ensure that the appropriate level is available.

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Support service users to remain in their own homes	Green	Supported 80.62% (524) of service users aged 65+ discharged from hospital with a reablement/rehabilitation service to remain in their own home 91 days after discharge. This demonstrates the success of the reablement/rehabilitation service in supporting older people to return home and live independently after discharge from hospital, and the importance of health and social care working together to help older people recover their independence after illness and injury.
		A senior OT has been appointed to lead on Assistive Technology to ensure that the most appropriate items of equipment are procured.
		In the coming year we will focus on:- Supporting older people to regain independence following illness or loss of mobility through reablement, occupational therapy and intermediate care (working with health)
Develop a new day opportunities and transport business model to meet the changing needs and expectations of service users	Green	The commissioning strategy for older people day opportunities, whereby an eligible service user may purchase, according to choice, a form of respite/activity other than a day centre placement has been approved and will be implemented in 2013/14.
		Following the work undertaken with Bexley and Croydon, opportunities to work with neighbouring boroughs will be pursued for particular areas of transport operation such as the sharing of policies.
		In the coming year we will now focus on:- Providing more choice in the types of day activities both independently and commissioned by the Council Establishing delivery model for transport offering flexibility, enabling service user choice and control, and opening up opportunities for integration between Adult and Children's provision
Develop and implement a programme of Members' visits to the care provision establishments and in conjunction with the LINk, work to improve quality monitoring in residential care homes	Green	Nine visits have taken place since Autumn 2012 to residential and nursing homes, and day centres. A total of 41 places were available to Members and Care Services PDS Co-opted Representatives, and all but one visit was at capacity. The output from these visits is being used to support the existing quality monitoring process to raise standards in the borough for service users.
Provide all eligible service users with a Personal Budget to facilitate choice and control, and increase the number of adults using Direct Payments by at least 10%	Amber	All service users are now being offered a Direct Payment rather than a commissioned service at the end of the assessment process. As at the end of March, whilst 79.3% (3,718) of all eligible service users were in receipt of a personal budget against a revised national target of 70%, only 27.6% (469) were in receipt of a direct payment against a target of 45%.
		There is currently a focus on encouraging Direct Payments for respite care and, at the point of review, service users are encouraged to consider a Direct Payment for employing a Personal Assistant.
Expand the Oxleas/PCT care homes for people with dementia project	Green	Training, delivered by Oxleas, has commenced in a further four care homes. This comprises a six week training programme with staff and a further six to ten weeks looking at individual cases, and aims to equip staff with the skills to work with people with dementia. Training will also be provided to staff in three of the original care homes who have not yet been trained.
In partnership with Carers Bromley and Bromley Mind, develop a carers training programme 'equipping dementia carers project'.	Green	The 'Coping with Caring' training project was launched in January providing 1:1 support and coaching for carers. The first tranche of training has been completed and the second tranche has now commenced with demand currently exceeding capacity. A full report of the project will be available in six months' time.

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Pilot the use of alternative models of support for people with dementia	Amber	Whilst the Community Service Volunteer and Homeshare pilot have been put on hold pending recruitment of a Senior Care Manager and a Project Lead, 16 people living in the community who are at risk of needing long term care are being supported by the Care Management teams. Through an improvement in initial casework, and individual care pathways leading to more appropriate services, four emergency placements have been prevented. The Assistive Technology OT Lead continues to build knowledge and expertise in this area although further work is on hold pending recruitment of the Senior Care Manager.
Outcome 7 - Maximise independence and reduce the nee	d for care	and support
At the end of the year, one out of the three aims being proved continues to be managed to ensure that the level of in		is on track and one aim requires additional work to meet the end of year target The aim rated as educes
Provide more health opportunities for those with diminished health to access mainstream leisure facilities	Amber	Work continues into 2013/14 with Bromley MyTime to devise a package for those with diminished health, and their carers, to encourage access to leisure facilities. The results from the Self Assessment Framework will be used to identify areas of service improvement for disabled and vulnerable people.
Work with Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to implement the integration of health and social care for people through the PROMISE programme (Proactive Management and Integrated Services for Older People)	Green	The Community Matron pilot has commenced with 200+ service users. Early signs are of positive outcomes for the integration of medicine, intervention and social care support.
Work with Bromley Healthcare to improve the new integrated pathway for people accessing primary care schemes from the new ECH schemes	Green	The Extra Care Housing Virtual Ward pilot was launched on 1st September 2012 with Oxleas joining the Multi Disciplinary Team in February 2013. The risk assessment and evaluation criteria has been agreed and the delivery model is in place. Initial residents are being reviewed in line with ward standard operating procedure and evaluation data collection is ongoing. A report is due early in September 2013.
Review 'step down flat' requirements to manage effective hospital discharges	Green	Seven flats have been identified and it is anticipated that these will be ready in the next 4-8 weeks. There will be 3 one bedroom and 2 two bedroom flats which equates to ten beds.
Focus on preventing homelessness by working in partnership to maximise and make the best use of the supply and use of affordable housing	Green	Homelessness has been prevented for more t 2,137 households. 538 households have received advice to secure private rented sector accommodation and 211 households have been assisted through preventing repossessions, either in home ownership or privately rented accommodation.
		The credit union scheme is now fully operational assisting in offering prevention loans and funding to access private rented sector accommodation.
		The business case for 38 units of temporary accommodation (23 x 1 bedroom, 13 x 2 bedroom, 2 x 3 bedroom) has been approved and planning permission applied for.
		Since the launch of the new allocations scheme, the housing register has reduced from 7,931 to 2,532. Applicants not included are offered advice and guidance about the housing options which may be available to them.

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Minimise the use of temporary accommodation	Red	The enhanced incentives package has acquired an additional 194 units however this cannot keep pace with current level of homelessness and spiralling prices across London. The use of temporary accommodation remains above target with 764 people in such accommodation as at the end of March.
		The Housing Services 2013/14 priorities report is available on this agenda under report reference CS13008
		In the coming year we will focus on:- Continuing to explore all options for additional supply, including working with developers to bring empty residential and commercial properties back into residential use.
Outcome 8 - Ensuring that people have a positive experi	ence of c	are and support
At the end of the year, two out of the three aims being p	rogressed	l are on track and one aim requires additional work to meet the end of year target
Involve service users and carers in the selection of care providers	Green	The new short breaks service for people with learning disabilities opened in November 2012. Future service users and their families were consulted from the first stages (with easy read documentation being used to explain the move), and feedback was incorporated into the design and operation of the service.
		A supported living scheme for 7 young adults with learning disabilities opened in January 2013 with full involvement from clients and their families, including in the recruitment process of care staff. Service users and their families engaged with Sanctuary Care (the care provider) and were able to influence colours / finishes within their new homes.
		A community representative was involved in the evaluation of bids and the selection of the new Healthwatch provider organisation.
		A Preparing for Adulthood event in February 2013 brought young people and their carers together with providers to discuss how the local offer in Bromley is developing across education, health and care in light of the changes in SEN and Disabilities. Parent & young person involvement in the Pathfinder2 will be fully integrated as the focus turns to embedding the changes as 'business as usual'. Parental journeys through services are being captured by Parent Voice and will inform the Local Offer. Young Advisors group has been commissioned through Advocacy for All to comment upon service users' input into Education Health and Care plans.
Ensure that the maximum number of carers have the opportunity to take part in the Carers survey and have the opportunity to express their overall level of satisfaction with services		In a recent survey, 244 people took the opportunity to give us their views. 22% of carers did not live with the person they cared for and 60% of carers were retired, with a further 14% not in paid work.
		Of the cohort of carers who had tried to find information and advice about support, services or benefits, 69% found it easy to find the information they required and 90% found the information helpful.
		In the coming year we will focus on:- Ensuring that the voice of service users and carers is routinely sought (developing/changing services) and that when we receive feedback, we take action
Improve the quality of carers assessments	Amber	Changes to the Carers assessment forms were implemented in Quarter 1 to improve the capturing of Carers' Assessments. It is anticipated that an improvement will be seen in the number and quality of Carers Assessments undertaken during the first quarter of 2013/14.

We aimed to:-	RAG Status	Update
Open the new integrated short breaks service for people with Learning Disabilities	Green	The new short breaks service for people with Learning Disabilities opened in November 2012. Approximately ten new service individuals have started to use the service since it opened and several more referrals, mainly from young people, are being processed. All except two individuals who used the previous respite service continue to use the new service. All weekends between the end of April and the end of June are fully booked, and Easter saw 75% occupancy (full occupancy would be 12 guests).
Update the JSNA to reflect the main areas of need to inform the planning process for health and wellbeing, including specific focus on carers of people with dementia	Green	The Carers section of the JSNA was updated in Quarter 4 to reflect the young carers data and the summary of the carers data from the 2011 census.
Promote excellent customer service for those who experience our services	Green	The level of formal complaints received has reduced from 527 in 2011/12 to 382 in 2012/13. Local resolution of complaints early on has improved and the in house training programme has enabled officers to resolve concerns at the front line without the need to invoke the formal complaints process.
		The annual complaints report for 2012/13 is available on this agenda under report reference CS13014.
		In the coming year we will focus on: Encouraging customers to share their experiences of our services through compliments and complaints. Where things go wrong, use the lessons learnt to improve service delivery
At the end of the year, all three aims being progressed a	re on track	ς ζ
Outcome 9 - Safeguarding adults whose circumstances of At the end of the year, all three aims being progressed a Focus on the prevention of abuse of vulnerable adults through the work of the Safeguarding Board and engaging with Partner Agencies		Adult Safeguarding awareness was highlighted through a presentation, in Quarter 2, to the Community Engagement Forum's members drawn from 22 community organisations. The December 2012 Bromley Safeguarding Adults Board newsletter, distributed to over 350 contacts within statutory partners, health and social care providers and community organisations, featured an item on whistle blowing and the support available to staff (linked to the
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Ensure learning from Safeguarding investigations and serious case reviews is embedded into safeguarding practice and commissioning activity and leads to improved outcomes for adults at risk		<ul> <li>Analysis of safeguarding casework and quality assurance audits has led to the following developments to improve practice:-</li> <li>New alerters' form for health and social care professionals</li> <li>Leaflets to inform service users and their families about what happens during a safeguarding investigation</li> <li>A new Mental Capacity Act Best Interests form to promote good practice and include the quality of case recording.</li> </ul>