# RESCUE AND RESPONSE COUNTY LINES PROJECT: SUPPORTING YOUNG LONDONERS AFFECTED BY COUNTY LINES EXPLOITATION



# RESCUE AND RESPONSE REFERRAL PROCESS

### PARTNERSHIP COORDINATOR

First point of contact for the project. Available to discuss any queries around referrals and training

Coordinators identify SPOCs across the partnership and develop knowledge and relationships. Work collaboratively through attendance at multi-agency meetings

Coordinate a streamlined multi-agency safeguarding response for young people involved or at risk of County Lines exploitation

Present training and awareness to a wide range of professionals in relation to County Lines exploitation and the project's service offer

### REFERRALS

INTERVENTION REFERRAL: provision of one to one support to young people
INTELLIGENCE REFERRAL: to inform the project of young people involved in County Lines







Coordinators inform SPOCS of all Referrals and liaise with the network around the young person to identify the most suitable intervention available Analysts conduct research to identify County Lines activity or associations





#### **DECLINED REFERRALS**

- If its possible to signpost the young person to a similar intervention provision on borough
- If the young person does not evidence links to County Lines activity or present as at risk of it

#### ACCEPTED REFERRALS

- Allocated to St Giles Trust, Abianda or Safer London
- Engagement work with caseworker
- Case notes are recorded on ECINS

#### ANALYST

Development of strategic themes, including for the R&R strategic assessment

Submitting returns to the NCA National County Lines Coordination Centre of individuals linked to County Lines

Quarterly Performance Report

Collation of trends and cases of note that are shared with partners

Regular flagging of identified exploitation victims to borough SPOCS, and provision of County Lines products

Association link charts for County Lines networks

Ad hoc intelligence checks for allocated cases

## ST GILES TRUST RESCUE TEAM

#### Out of hours phone line run by SGT:

- Signposting & advice for professionals
- Requests for Rescues (also by email to the R&R duty desk)

#### **RESCUE SERVICE**

The outreach team travel to counties and bring young people safely back to London. Some young people 'rescued' go on to be allocated to an outreach team member for further intervention work.

## SAFER LONDON HOUSING ADVOCACY

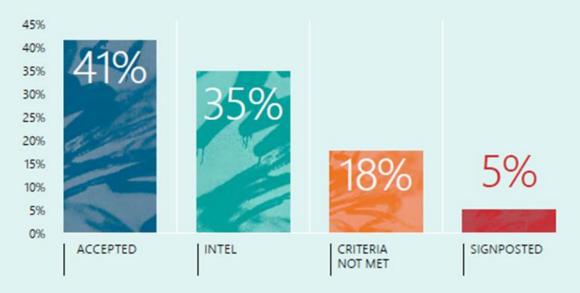
Safer London have specialist Housing Advocacy Officers who work alongside young people, raising awareness of their housing options and assisting their applications for both social and private accommodation.

## ABIANDA GENDER CONSULTANT

Case Consultations for professionals about County Lines cases for young women Training sessions: "Young Womxn, Girls, Gangs & County Lines"

# **RESCUE AND RESPONSE PROJECT:** YEAR 3 IN FOCUS 2020/21





#### DEFINING WHAT WE MEAN BY A 'POSITIVE OUTCOME':

- Increased feelings of safety and reduced feelings of vulnerability (service user led)
- We Improved safety and reduced level of risk of harm (professional viewpoint)
- Increased knowledge & resilience of the risk factors (ability to understand ways to stay safe through safety planning)
- Young person has increased knowledge and awareness of issues regarding CCE, CSE and victimisation in context of County victimisation in context of County Lines

- Increased skills to keep safe in different contexts (service user led)
- Increased ability to positively manage relationships and create healthy attachments
- Increased resilience and ability to influence key life decisions
- Increased connectivity to other services (service user led).

## LONDON MAP SHOWING ALL REFERRALS INTO R&R BY BOROUGH

2020/21



	IBER OF REI	
BOROUGH	19/20	20/21
NEWHAM	43	48
LAMBETH	24	42
CROYDON	28	39
BRENT	37	35
EALING	19	30
BARKING AND DAGENHAM	17	29
HARINGEY	18	27
HARROW	25	26
BARNET	22	24
SOUTHWARK	20	24
ENFIELD	19	23
HAVERING	30	23
BROMLEY	13	19
HILLINGDON	17	19
KINGSTON UPON THAMES	15	17
WALTHAM FOREST	24	17
LEWISHAM	14	15
REDBRIDGE	11	15
WANDSWORTH	5	15
ISLINGTON	21	14
GREENWICH	9	13
HACKNEY	14	10
HOUNSLOW	18	9
TOWER HAMLETS	18	8
BEXLEY	10	7
KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA	5	7
RICHMOND UPON THAMES	4	7
SUTTON	9	6
CAMDEN	18	4
MERTON	4	4
WESTMINSTER	6	4
HAMMERSMITH AND FULHAM	6	2
OUT OF LONDON (NOT MAPPE	D) 10	16

# LONDON MAP SHOWING ALL INDIVIDUALS LINKED TO COUNTY LINES BY BOROUGH

2020/21



	RANKING	
BOROUGH	19/20	20/21
CROYDON	1	1
LAMBETH	2	2
NEWHAM	3	2 3 4 4
BRENT	4	4
SOUTHWARK	5	4
LEWISHAM	6	6
GREENWICH	8	7
EALING	11	8
HACKNEY	9	9
ENFIELD	10	10
WALTHAM FOREST	7	11
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BROMLEY	19	24
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MERTON	29	24
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WESTMINSTER	28	28
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SUTTON	30	30
KINGSTON	31	31
RICHMOND	32	32

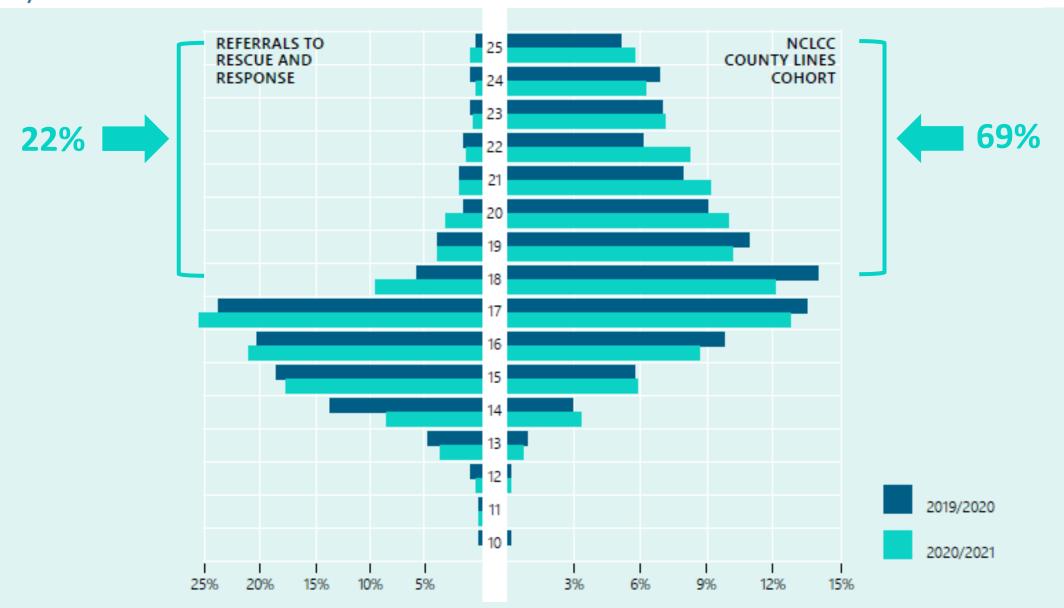
# UK MAP SHOWING LONDON INDIVIDUALS LINKED TO COUNTY LINES BY COUNTY FORCE AREA 2020/21

COUNTY LINKS NO. OF INDIVIDUALS 101 TO 240 (7) 45 TO 100 (7) 11 TO 44 (8) 5 TO 10 (7) 1 TO 4 (12)

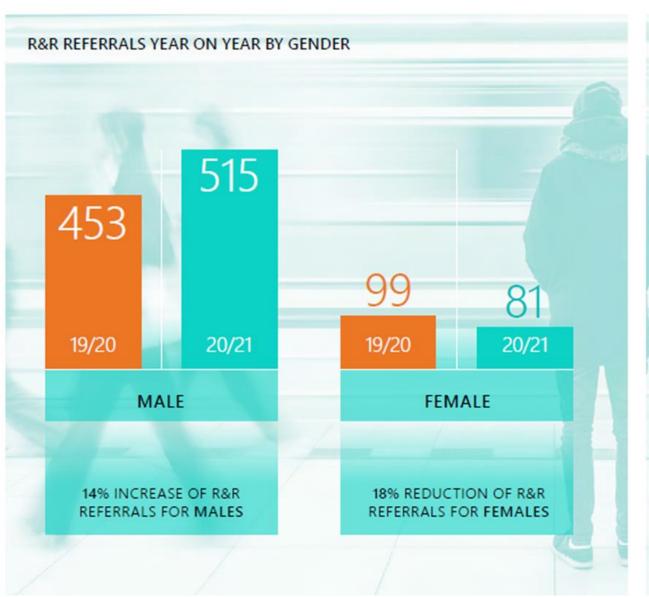
TOP 10 COUNTY FORCES	INDIVIDUALS LINKED	20/21 RANKING	19/20 RANKING
HAMPSHIRE	240	1	1
KENT	162	2	5
SURREY	145	3	9
ESSEX	122	4	7
SUSSEX	119	5	2
THAMES VALLEY	109	6	3
NORFOLK	102	7	6
SUFFOLK	100	8	11
DORSET	83	9	4
CAMBRIDGESHIRE	79	10	8

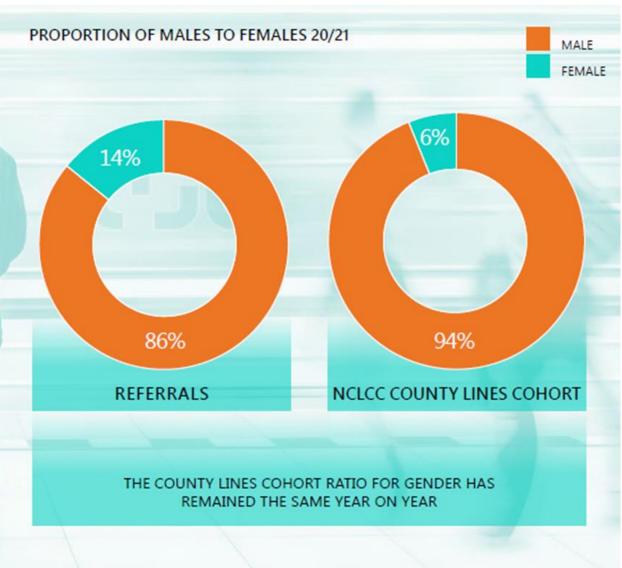


# DEMOGRAPHICS FOR R&R REFERRALS AND LONDON INDIVIDUALS LINKED TO COUNTY LINES 2020/2021



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## STRATEGIC FINDINGS

# DEMOGRAPHICS FOR REFERRALS & INDIVIDUALS LINKED TO COUNTY LINES



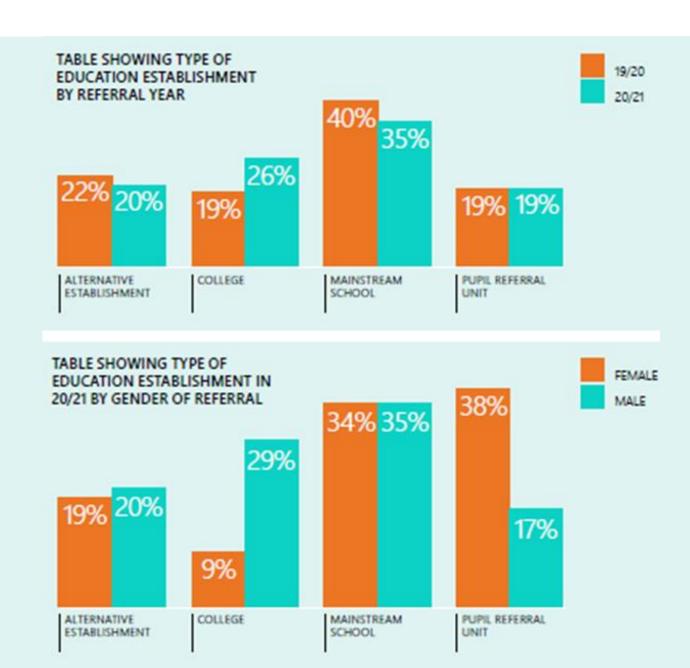
Ethnicity breakdown for female referrals

# DEMOGRAPHICS FOR R&R REFERRALS

41% of young people referred were in education at the time of referral and this has remained the same as year 2 (41%).

Gender comparisons show that of the 213 males attending education, referred, 29% attended college and 35% attended mainstream school.

Of the 35 females attending education, most were attending a PRU, which accounts for a much larger proportion compared with the male cohort.



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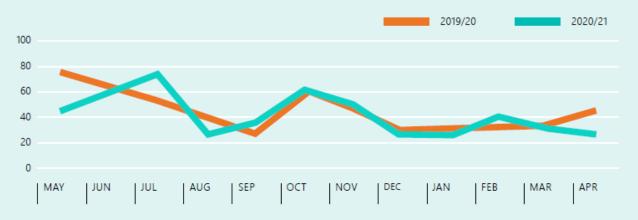
## THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

## THE IMPACT OF THE LOCKDOWN ENVIRONMENT ON R&R

*Factor 1*: Adapting to a new way of working with the young people. All activities for young people were coordinated while working remotely. Challenging to engage a young person virtually.

Factor 2: Local lockdowns impacted the way rescues were conducted and safety measures had to be considered to make the vehicles suitable for continued use.

### **REFERRALS OVER THE COVID-19 PERIOD**



## THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON MENTAL HEALTH

## Isolation

Young people reportedly struggled with the isolation that the pandemic had created.

## Increase in substance misuse

The demand for drugs during the lockdown period was reportedly very high.

## Safe spaces closed

Having nowhere to go caused young people to be more stressed and affected their behaviour.

## Opportunities decreasing

Lack of job opportunities may have led to increased mental health issues and anxiety.

## Undiagnosed MH

Services across the board were disrupted, which in turn may have had an impact on the earlier intervention of mental health diagnosis.

# PROJECT OUTCOMES FOR INITIAL 3-YEAR PROJECT

### MINIMUM OF 600 YP CASE WORKED

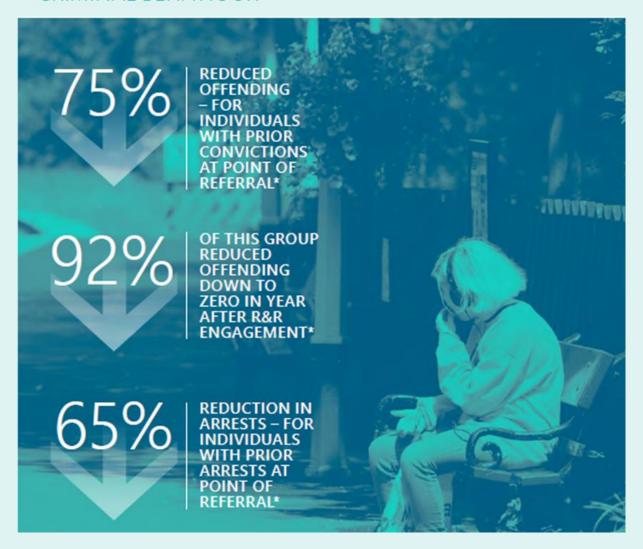


## INCREASE IN NUMBER OF YP IDENTIFIED AS BEING EXPLOITED

#### RESCUE AND RESPONSE REFERRALS



## REDUCTION IN RECORDED CRIMINAL BEHAVIOUR



# PROJECT OUTCOMES FOR INITIAL 3-YEAR PROJECT

DECREASE MISSING EPISODES FOR

ENGAGING COHORT

RESULTS FROM DIP SAMPLE OF 50 YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAD SUCCESSFULLY ENGAGED WITH R&R AND COMPLETED THE INTERVENTION





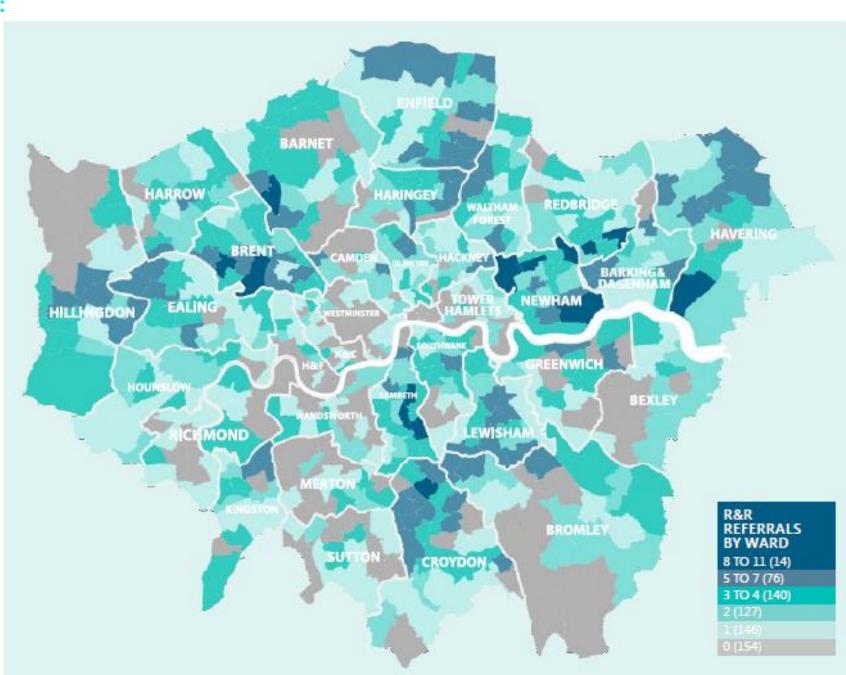


## 3 YEAR OVERVIEW

This map shows the distribution of all referrals to Rescue and Response across 3 years by ward, based on the residential address of the young person.

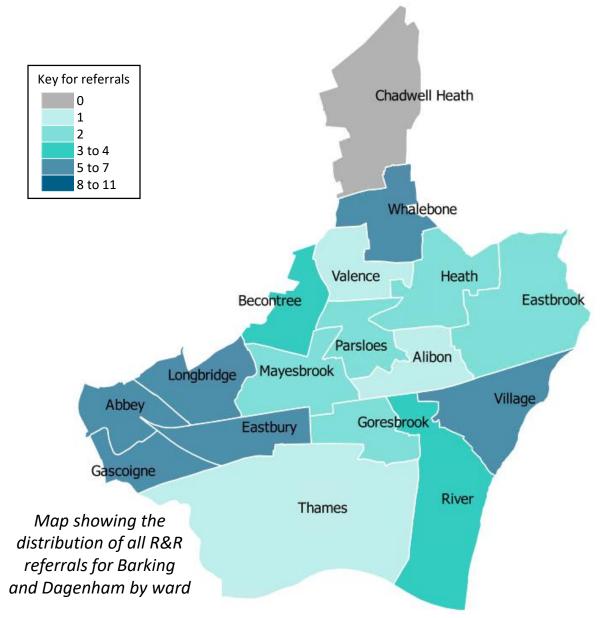
This map shows how R&R referrals are very often condensed into small pockets within London boroughs, demonstrating that the issue of County Lines exploitation is rarely a borough-wide issue.

Analysis of this kind can help promote a more contextual response to safeguarding, by targeting limited resources into the areas with the greatest need.

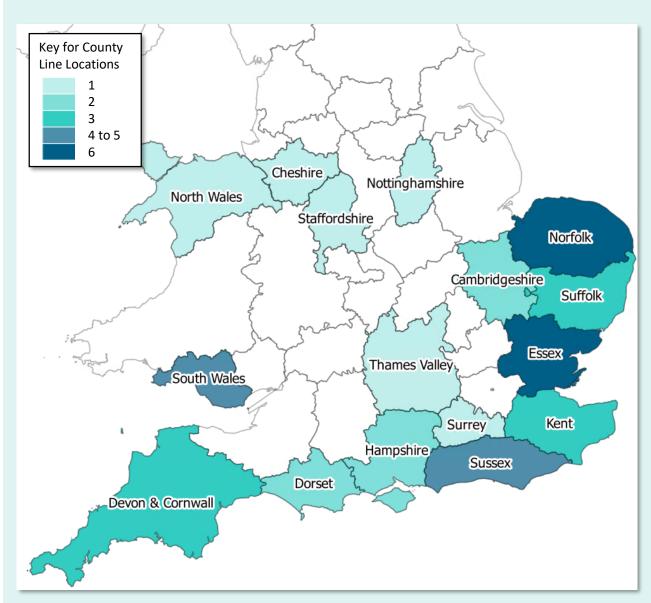


## **RESCUE AND RESPONSE PROJECT:**

3 YEAR OVERVIEW - BOROUGH FOCUS



# Barking and Dagenham County Lines Locations One year breakdown



## **Any Questions?**

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