

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW

Year , Quarter

25/26 (Year) + Q1 (Quarter) ▾

Priority A...

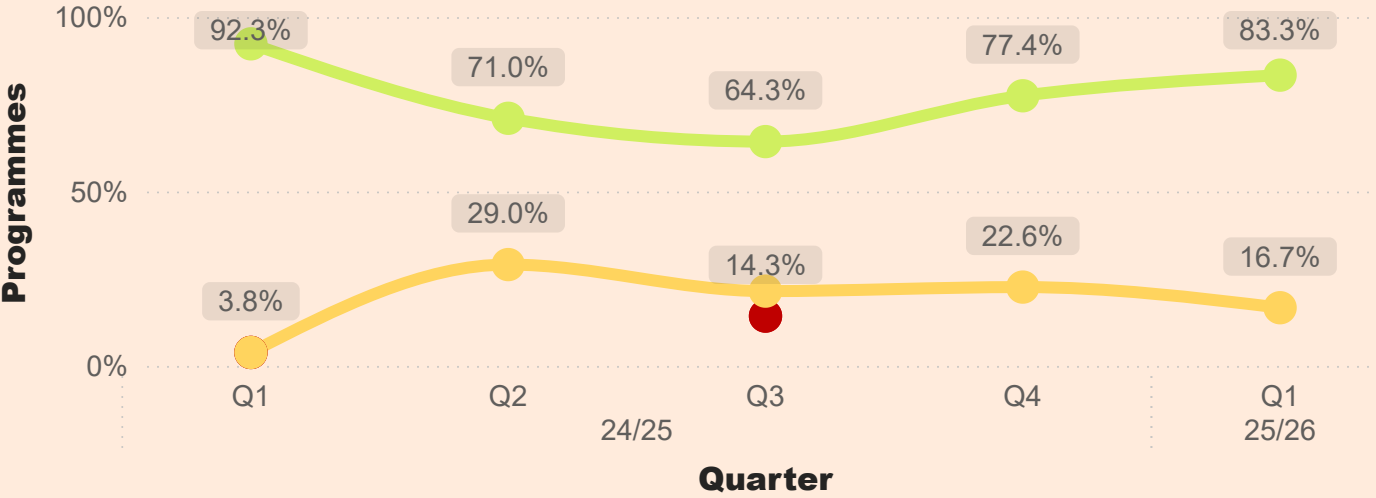
All ▾

Red or Amber Mitigations

Amber
Girl's and Young Women's Community-based Mentoring Programme The Maia and LIFT programmes continue to provide support for girls and young women across a range of services in a partnership approach. In the quarter, significant improvements have been made to the recording of outcomes and impact data through close collaboration with our learning partner, Ecorys, and girls and young women participated interviews. The VRU are working with Advance to review the employability arm of the programme and different approaches as this element continues to see lower engagement.
IRiS 6B The IRiS 6B programme began year two with higher than expected referrals, showing strong performance in Havering and steady engagement in Sutton, Merton, and Wandsworth. Harrow and Hillingdon remain below target but are increasing clinician engagement and training uptake and the VRU are supporting programme awareness in these boroughs. Staff turnover in some areas affected momentum, though mitigation is in place.
Multi-Faith Network The VRU have now appointed a training provider to undertake training for faith leaders to support young people affected by violence. The training will upskill the faith sector in within their areas to best support young people and communities affected by violence. Activity in Q1 had to be reduced due to resourcing and capacity, however the training provider will be mobilised in Q2.
The Social Switch 2 (Online Harms) Delivery across Strands 1 and 2 remains on track. Development of the e-learning platform is nearing completion, and adaption to a modular approach continues to be well received. Strands 3 and 4 have experienced some delays related to content refinement and coordination of expert input via roundtables. However, both posts have now been filled and revised delivery milestones have been agreed between the VRU and Catch22.



RAG Ratings over time



BREAKDOWN

79.2%

% Risks determined to be Low

83.3%

% of KPIs Met or On Track

83.3%

% programmes RAG rated Green

RISKS

Green - Low Risk	%	Amber - Medium Risk	%	Red - High Risk	%
19	79.2%	5	20.8%		

KPIs

KPIs Met or On Track	%	KPI not met	
20	83.3%	4	16.7%

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE: CYP HARM & EXPLOITATION

Year , Quarter ▼

Risk RAG ▼

25/26 (Year) + Q1 (... ▼

All ▼

Intervention Title	Description of programme	Narrative Update	Quarter Reach	Programme to date Reach	KPI	KPI Target	Status	KPI Quarter Update	Sample Size	Programme RAG
DIVERT	Custody based youth diversion aimed at 18-25 year olds.	Delivery remains on track across custody suites, with positive outcomes demonstrated in young people supported into education, training and employment. An evaluation undertaken by E&I has been impacted due to access to data sets. The team are providing the next iteration in August.	361	8553	% of YP offered service attended initial engagement session	50%	On track	38%	136 out of 361	Green
ENGAGE	Custody based Youth diversion project for under 18s.	Delivery remains on track and children and young people reached has increased on the previous quarter. ENGAGE sites continue to recruit staff following the spike in vacancies seen following uncertainty regarding the Home Office Funding.	1363	7014	% of YP offered service engaged with support	50%	Met	48%	481 out of 996	Green
Girls & Young Women Community-based Mentoring	Community-based targeted support service for young women through safe spaces and mentoring.	The Maia and LIFT programmes continue to provide support for girls and young women across a range of services in a partnership approach. In the quarter, significant improvements have been made to the recording of outcomes and impact data through close collaboration with our learning partner, Ecorys, and girls and young women participated interviews. The VRU are working with Advance to review the employability arm of the programme and different approaches as this element continues to see lower engagement.	175	1144	% of GYW engaged in service after referral	75%	Met	93%	39 out of 42	Amber
Hospital Based Youth Work (VRU Led)	Diversionary service for vulnerable young people who attending adult A&E or Major Trauma Centres.	Programme delivery is healthy. Comparing with the previous quarter, the number of engaged children and young people has increased and has returned to levels comparable to that prior to the spike in vacancies seen in Q3-Q4 24/25 (caused by Home Office funding uncertainty).	340	21126	% of YP offered service continued to engage	40%	Met	58%	254 out of 436	Green
Your Choice CBT	Cognitive Behavioural Therapy as part of a high intensity intervention to children at risk / harm of violence.	The Your Choice programme has exceeded ambitious pan-London recruitment targets, enabling a high-quality RCT- this an exceptional achievement at this scale, particularly such a complex cohort. Of the 1,466 young people recruited into the study, 89.2% of participants completed the baseline survey (1,307 young people), and 72.7% completed the endline survey (1,066 young people), reflecting a strong retention rate and an overall attrition rate of just 27.3%. Both the Youth Endowment Fund and the Institute for Fiscal Studies have endorsed the quality of the data collected, reinforcing the value of what has been achieved across the partnership. We await the result of study which will be published late October.	97	1819	% of boroughs who are close to equal recruitment into both control & target groups	70%	Not Met	40%	12 out of 40	Green

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE: CYP HARM & EXPLOITATION

Year , Quarter

25/26 (Year) + Q1 (...

Risk RAG

All

Intervention Title	Description of programme	Narrative Update	Quarter Reach	Programme to date Reach	KPI	KPI Target	Status	KPI Quarter Update	Sample Size	Programme RAG
Contextual Safeguarding Programme	School based intervention around contextual safeguarding and cultural competency.	Delivery remains on track, with key milestones met this quarter. The programme team are planning for a national Contextual Safeguarding conference where the learning element of the programme will be showcased.	49	400	% of target Young People enrolled	80%	Met	80%	16 out of 20	Green
IRIS Programme 6b	Identification and Referral to Improve Safety (IRIS) is a general practice (GP) based domestic violence and abuse (DVA) training support and referral programme	The IRIS 6B programme began year two with higher than expected referrals, showing strong performance in Havering and steady engagement in Sutton, Merton, and Wandsworth. Harrow and Hillingdon remain below target but are increasing clinician engagement and training uptake and the VRU are supporting programme awareness in these boroughs. Staff turnover in some areas affected momentum, though mitigation is in place.	246	1804	% of patients who received intervention and provided feedback 'know where to go for support'	90%	Met	100%	13 out of 13	Amber
The Social Switch 2 (Online Harms)	Youth practitioner training around online harms and employability for CYP in digital sector and beyond.	Delivery across Strands 1 and 2 remains on track. Development of the e-learning platform is nearing completion, and adaption to a modular approach continues to be well received. Strands 3 and 4 have experienced some delays related to content refinement and coordination of expert input via roundtables. However, both posts have now been filled and revised delivery milestones have been agreed between the VRU and Catch22.	350	2885	% of trusted adults on programme completing accredited training on online harms	90%	On track	81%	251 out of 310	Amber

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE: CYP POSITIVE OPPORTUNITIES

Year , Quarter ▼

25/26 (Year) + Q1 (... ▼

Risk RAG ▼

All ▼

Interventio n Title	Description of programme	Narrative Update	Quarter Reach	Programm e to date Reach	KPI	KPI Target	Status	KPI Quarter Update	Sampl e Size	Programme RAG
Multi-Faith Network	Community orientated partnership approach with faith sector in supporting young people affected by violence.	The VRU have now appointed a training provider to undertake training for faith leaders to support young people affected by violence. The training will upskill the faith sector in within their areas to best support young people and communities affected by violence. Activity in Q1 had to be reduced due to resourcing and capacity, however the training provider will be mobilised in Q2.	0	189	# of community and faith leaders who have participated in training aimed at addressing violence affecting young people	0%	Met		N/A	Amber
Stronger Futures 2 (After School Provision/ Community Grass Roots)	Targeted funding for afterschool activies accross 28 boroughs for 8-18 year olds at risk or involved in violence.	Pause in delivery of the programme due to current iteration coming to an end in September 2025, with new iteration due to start in early 2026. Close oversight of the new Holiday Hope programme being embedded within Stronger Futures from summer 2025.	1681	20751	% of young people who remain engaged with programme delivery (average across interventions)	75%	On track	70%	70 out of 100	Green
VRU Sports	Pan-London sports-specific grant fund for vulnerable young Londoners.	New organisation delivering the targeted summer holiday provision, unknown levels on delivery, outcomes due to first contract on the sports programme.	327	11203	% of GLA sports programmes that are hitting KPI targets	100%	Not Met	60%	3 out of 5	Green
Young Persons' Action Group	Embeded in London's VRU to ensure the voice, opinions and ideas of young people influence policy and funding decisions.	The YPAG team have been involved in a number of road shows for recruitment and promotional purposes. We have held recruitment open days for young people and adults and have attended a number of organisations including youth clubs to promote the YPAG opportunity and encourage young people from a range of backgrounds to apply. Our online promotional material and application form was designed directly with the young people. This was a success as we had many young people from a range of demographics from across London that applied.	77	190	No KPI Required	0%	Met		N/A	Green
Youth Practitioners' Leadership & Developmen t Programme (Rise Up) 2	VRU's Pan-London leadership programme for frontline youth practitioners working with young people affected by violence.	This quarter saw 44 youth practitioners complete the Rise Up programme, a Lite and a Full Cohort. No major risks to programme delivery. The focus of the delivery team at present is intensifying comms to encourage uptake for the forthcoming Rise Up cohorts in Autumn 2025.	44	367	% of disengagement out of those enrolled	20%	Met	14%	16 of 115	Green

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE: FAMILIES

Year , Quarter

25/26 (Year) + Q1 (...

Risk RAG

All

Intervention Title	Description of programme	Narrative Update	Quarter Reach	Programme to date Reach	KPI	KPI Target	Status	KPI Quarter Update	Sample Size	Programme RAG
Parent/Carer Champion Network (S2)	Partnership programme empowering parents and carers through skills based training and peer support.	This quarter, Parent/Carer Champions strengthened peer-led support through culturally tailored outreach and trauma-informed approaches. Key successes included impactful events on knife crime and financial wellbeing, and expanded support for underrepresented groups. Challenges remain around funding, engagement consistency, and limited volunteer progression. Lived experience and trusted, informal support continue to drive meaningful community impact.	3644	34970	% of Parent Carer Champions who were trained and onboarded over the course of this financial year (following initial recruitment)	65%	Not Met		N/A	Green
Project response to CAPVA research	Supports boroughs to develop their systems responses within Children & Safeguarding services and deliver direct interventions to families affected	The CAPVA programme remains active across the three London delivery sites. However, the contracts are approaching their end date. While evaluation activity across both contracts continues, early findings are showing encouraging results in terms of programme impact and outcomes.	23	771	% of families who have initiated engagement with the CAPVA programme (after being assessed as suitable for the intervention)	75%	On track	59%	47 out of 80 Total programme	Green
Strengthening Fathers	Pilot supporting prevention and early intervention for male carers/fathers seeking to strengthen relationships with their children	The Strengthening Fathers Pilot is performing at low risk, exceeding its 18-month targets (Initial delivery ends 31st August) and receiving an extension due to its impactful wrap-around support. Engagement remains strong, with fathers reporting improved co-parenting and family relationships. Minor risks around court advocacy and LA communication are well managed, and final evaluation is on track for October.	159	767	% of fathers who have remained engaged with wrap around services	75%	On track	60%	Lot 1 report 88.7% and Lot 2 50%	Green
Supporting CYP(Children Young People) Impacted by Domestic Abuse	Therapeutic support to children and young people impacted by domestic abuse.	Delivery remains on track, with increased referral rates across all BAMBU boroughs and high session completion rates. The VRU hosted a successful evaluation event to bring stakeholders across London together to review the findings of the independent evaluation which has also improved awareness of the programme.	66	442	% of children offered service engaging with support	70%	On track	61%	406 out of 661	Green

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE: EDUCATION

Year , Quarter ▼

Risk RAG ▼

25/26 (Year) + Q1 (... ▼

All ▼

Intervention Title	Description of programme	Narrative Update	Quarter Reach	Programme to date Reach	KPI	KPI Target	Status	KPI Quarter Update	Sample Size	Programme RAG
Inclusive & Nurturing Schools Programme	Whole Schools programme with teacher training and targeted student strands.	Programme delivery on track. Narrative reporting, case studies, visits and testimonials from schools demonstrate high quality delivery and emerging impact for whole-school inclusion and peer relationships. Quantitative impact is harder to demonstrate due to the long-term nature of Whole School Approaches, and in the context of rising suspensions across the capital.	3494	38767	% of students who report a good understanding of healthy and unhealthy relationships	80%	Met	92%	491	Green
PRU AP Mentoring 2024-2026	Targeted mentoring support to vulnerable young Londoners who attend London's Pupil Referral Units (PRUs).	VRU PRU mentoring over target with 1200 young people reached against the year 1 target of 1062. All PRUs delivering mentoring best suited to their individual settings.	987	2363	# of CYP accessing mentoring	25%	Met	113%	1200/1062	Green
Talk Matters	Specialist, targeted speech and language therapy in schools.	Talk Matters is progressing very well, we are seeing very positive early impact across a range of indicators and this is being captured by our Evaluation and Learning Partner.	8038	17540	% of children showing measurable improvement in speech and language skills after receiving targeted intervention	80%	Not Met		N/A	Green
UNICEF Rights Respecting Schools	Partnership with UNICEF UK ensuring Rights Respecting Schools Award is free for all state funded education settings in London for the next 4 years.	Most KPIs are being met. Research with the University of Strathclyde is progressing, with interim impact report due end of summer.	8708	110342	# of schools achieving silver plus award	50%	Met	47%	224 out of 475 for programme target	Green

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE: COMMUNITIES & PLACE

Year , Quarter ▼

Risk RAG ▼

25/26 (Year) + Q1 (... ▼

All ▼

Intervention Title	Description of programme	Narrative Update	Quarter Reach	Programme to date Reach	KPI	KPI Target	Status	KPI Quarter Update	Sample Size	Programme RAG
Innovation Fund	The Innovation Fund seeks to support the life-changing work that community-led organisations do to support young people who are at risk of violence, by encouraging innovation and empowering communities.	The Innovation Fund projects finish in Sept 2025, and all remaining projects are on track to complete all planned milestones.	1419	25976	% of innovation projects on track to deliver against quarterly milestone	100%	Met	100%	8 out of 8	Green
MyEnds 2	An evolved iteration of the flagship VRU My Ends programme, My Ends 2 will continue to deliver hyperlocal responses to violence with a consortia approach, whilst focusing on further defining the needs of the grassroots sector and resourcing this according.	Building on the success of Year 1, delivery partners are actively progressing all four programme strands, including grassroots capacity building through site-level grant programmes. Across the nine MyEnds locations, 107 interventions are underway including work with those who fall under special cohorts. Equality Impact Assessments have been carried out on key interventions to embed inclusive practice, and specialist-led sustainability training has been delivered to partners in recognition of the need to plan for long-term impact and mitigate funding risks.	4766	18156	% of Consortiums Meeting or Exceeding Expectations	100%	Met	100%	40 delivery partners (88.8%) meeting expectations. 6 delivery partners (11.2%) exceeding expectations.	Green
Serious Violence Duty	The VRU have reviewed borough Serious Violence Duty Strategic Needs Assessments and strategies, highlighting key headlines, challenges and promising practice.	SVD funding has been used towards a range of diversionary and intervention projects. With a delay in getting the Grant Agreements in place, many boroughs held-off delivery in Q1, instead profiling spend over Q2 to Q4.	2846	2778	% boroughs meeting or exceeding expectations	80%	Met	100%	32/32	Green