



# **Consultation on a proposal to establish Specialist Resourced Provision for Social, Emotional & Mental Health (SEMH) Needs at Gainsborough Primary School in 2020**

**Consultation: 15 January – 11 February 2020**

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## **What is this proposal about?**

Hackney Learning Trust wants to know your views on a proposal to establish specialist resourced provision (SRP) for pupils with Social, Emotional & Mental Health (SEMH) needs at Gainsborough Primary School in 2020. The provision will provide 10 places.

Over the last 5 years, the number of children and young people with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) in Hackney has increased significantly (by 36%), with an average annual growth of 6.1%.<sup>1</sup>

One of the most common categories of need within this increasing group of pupils with EHCPs, are SEMH needs. Our projections indicate that we will continue to see more pupils with this need in the future due to an increasing number of assessments and subsequent requests for EHCPs.

Currently, children with SEMH needs are mostly provided for in mainstream schools with packages of support from New Regent's College (a pupil referral unit in Hackney). Given the increasing demand for specialist provision for pupils with SEMH needs, we are proposing to create a specialist resourced SEMH provision in Hackney at Gainsborough Primary School from 2020.

If agreed, this proposal will expand Hackney's current SEND provision; ensuring that suitable, high quality, local provision is available for all pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. The provision will be the first in Hackney and over time, will provide advice, training and examples of good practice to other schools.

## **Gainsborough Primary School**

Gainsborough is a 2 form entry (FE) community primary school for pupils aged 3-11 years in Hackney Wick. Gainsborough has been rated 'Good' by Ofsted in 2013 and 2017 and forms part of the Primary Advantage Federation – a group of 8 primary schools in Hackney that have a proven track record in providing high quality teacher training to schools in the borough and nationally.

## **SEMH SRP Provision at Gainsborough**

Pupils that are allocated a place at the SRP will benefit from an individualised nurture group-type programme with a regularly reviewed support package. Staff will deliver a differentiated curriculum and use materials and approaches which promote the best possible academic, social and emotional outcomes for pupils.

## **Admission to the SRP**

All pupils admitted to the SRP will have a primary need of SEMH cited on their EHCP. A total of 10 places (across Years 1 to 6) will be available. Admission to the provision will be made via the SEND service at Hackney Learning Trust.

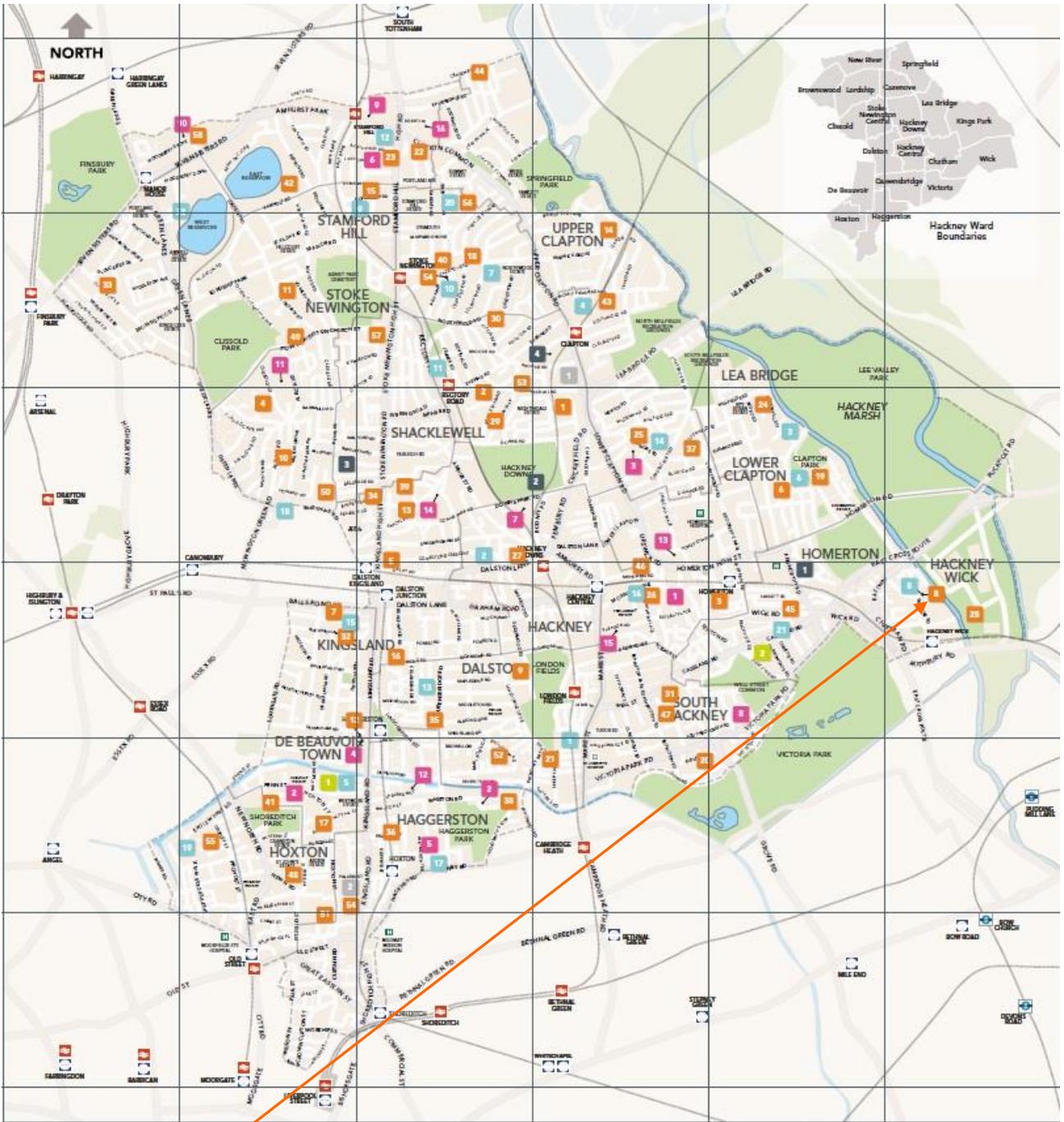
SRP places will be included within the school's Published Admissions Number (PAN) in the same way that admissions of pupils with EHCPs in other mainstream resourced provisions are included in the school's PAN.

## **Location**

The SRP will be situated at Gainsborough Community Primary School, Berkshire Road, London E9 5ND.

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<sup>1</sup> Source: MISA SEND Data Booklet 2018 based on the Schools Census returns data from DfE



Gainsborough Primary School

## Next steps and proposed timetable for the proposal

This stage of the consultation starts on **Wednesday 15 January 2020** and will close on **Tuesday 11 February 2020**.

Drop-in sessions (an opportunity to speak individually to officers from Hackney Learning Trust), will be held at Gainsborough Primary School at the following times:

- Wednesday 22 January at 5:30-7:00pm
- Friday 24 January at 9:15-10:15am

An additional drop-in session will be held at the Hackney Learning Trust, 1 Reading Lane, Hackney E8 1GQ (Second Floor) on:

- Wednesday 29 January at 5:30-7:00pm.

A drop-in session for staff of Gainsborough Primary School will be held on:

- 22 January at 4:30- 5:30pm at Gainsborough Primary School.

Parents/carers and staff can arrive at any time within the hours advertised and speak individually to Hackney Learning Trust staff and complete response forms. All responses will be considered after the consultation period ends on **Tuesday 11 February 2020**.

The statutory timeline for the proposal is outlined below:

Activity	Date
Pre-statutory consultation period	Wednesday 15 January 2020 – Tuesday 11 February 2020.
Drop-in sessions for parents/community	Wednesday 22 January at 5:30-7:00pm <i>(to be held at Gainsborough Primary School)</i>  Friday 24 January at 9:15-10:15am <i>(to be held at Gainsborough Primary School)</i>  Wednesday 29 January at 5:30-7:00pm <i>(to be held at Hackney Learning Trust)</i>
Staff drop-in session	Wednesday 22 January at 4:30-5:30pm <i>(to be held at Gainsborough Primary School)</i>
<i>Early March 2020 - Hackney Learning Trust considers the responses to the consultation and decides whether or not to publish a statutory notice.</i>	
Statutory Stage 1 Publication of Statutory Notice	March - April 2020
Statutory Stage 2 Representation period	4 weeks following publication of the statutory notice.
Statutory Stage 3 Hackney Learning Trust makes a decision on the proposal	May 2020
Statutory Stage 4 Implementation	By December 2020

*The above timetable is subject to change.*

## **Your opinion**

This is your opportunity to let us know what you think about the proposal to create an SEMH provision at Gainsborough Primary School during the pre-statutory consultation period.

You can let us know your views by completing the response form online by visiting:

<https://www.learningtrust.co.uk/content/consultations>

If you have questions regarding this proposal, please email:

[schoolplaceplanning@learningtrust.co.uk](mailto:schoolplaceplanning@learningtrust.co.uk)

## **This consultation document has been sent electronically to:**

Parents/carers of pupils at Gainsborough Primary School

Gainsborough Primary School Governors and Staff

All Hackney Schools

Hackney Councillors and MPs

Neighbouring LAs

Trade Unions

Church Dioceses

Interlink network for the Jewish Community

Primary Care Trust /CAHMS

SEND Organisations