



Parent/Carer Information and Consent

The Brighter Futures Mentoring Programme is a community-led initiative supported by the Mayor of London. It aims to engage black boys aged 10 to 16 from Hackney in a 12-month mentoring relationship to improve school engagement, educational attainment and to support them to build plans for the future.

The partnership is made up of Hackney CVS, Young Hackney and 16 grassroots mentoring and youth organisations:

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| African Community School | Immediate Theatre |
| Calibre Minds/The Elise Centre | Mighty Men of Valour |
| Crying Sons Trust | Off Centre |
| ECHO Social Regeneration | Robert Levy Foundation |
| ELBA-Hackney Schools Mentoring Programme | Salaam Peace |
| Hackney African Forum | The Crib |
| Hackney Marsh Partnership | VitalEET |
| Hackney Quest | WHEAT |

Each young person referred to the programme will be assigned to one of our partner organisations. He will first meet with the Mentoring Champion, who will introduce him to a potential mentor. They will both be invited to take part in a sports tournament where they will have the opportunity to get to know one. If your son is happy with the match, they will continue to meet face-to-face on a regular basis within a community setting. They should meet at least once a month for a year, although we encourage more regular meetings in the first six months. **All mentors are police checked and trained in safeguarding and mentoring to ensure they can work safely and effectively with your son.**

If you are happy to allow it, mentors and mentees may choose to meet in public spaces outside of the host organisation. Mentors may also collect and drop off your son if that is what you prefer.

If you are happy for your son to take part in the programme, please complete the PARENTAL CONSENT form below. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Beth and Deji on 0207 923 1962 or by email on brighterfutures@hcv.org.uk

PARENT/CARER CONSENT

I agree for my child _____ to take part in the Brighter Futures Mentoring Programme.

I understand that a limited amount of data about my son, including their characteristics and behaviour, will be collected as part of the project. This includes data I have given now, data provided by mentors and other third parties (such as those referring my son to this programme), and will involve asking some questions to my son directly. This data will only be used for the purposes of managing the programme and evaluation of this programme. No personal data will be passed on to other organisations or individuals without permission. Data will be shared with, analysed, linked, and securely stored by the programme evaluators. Data will be used in the published evaluation of this programme but it will be aggregated and anonymised so that no individual can be identified in any way.

By signing this document I give consent for data to be collected and used in this way.

At times we may take photographs of your son's involvement with Brighter Futures Mentoring Programme and activities. These may be used for displays or in promotional material.

Yes, I consent

No, I do not give consent

I would like the mentor to collect and drop off my child to and from the family home.

Yes, I consent

No, I do not give consent

I agree for the mentor to meet my child in community and public places as required.

Yes, I consent

No, I do not give consent

Parent/carer's signature

Parent/carer's full name