Dear Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in the role of Assistant Director of Schools and Learning.

This is an exciting time to join a forward-thinking council that is ambitious for the people of Haringey. The successful candidate will be joining at a time of great opportunity to deliver on that ambition.

Our vision for Haringey is a place where strong families, strong networks and strong communities nurture all residents to live well and achieve their potential. For the Council to achieve this vision, Children's Services are pivotal. We are working to support our children and young people to have the best start in life, to be happy and healthy and feel safe and secure in their family, networks and communities. We want every child and young person, whatever their background, to have a pathway to success for the future.

We are on a journey to achieve outstanding outcomes for our children and young people through working closely with our schools' community, education partnership and through our wider children and young people's services. Co-production is a passion of ours and underpins our approach to working closely with our children, young people and families.

We have excellent schools in Haringey. Our schools are 98% good or outstanding as judged by Ofsted. We have many exciting innovations underway to ensure that we narrow the gap in attainment and outcomes for all our children and young people.

Like many London boroughs, we have experienced a decline in our population and this impacts on our school places sufficiency. We are working very closely with our schools' community on this. We are determined to reduce school exclusions because of the impact this has on our young people. Our schools, partners and all services are committed to this work.

We are looking for a confident, empowering and inspiring individual who is passionate about improving the lives of children, young people and families. This is a rewarding and challenging role as it will require you to be adept at thinking strategically, capable of building links with and engaging and influencing a range of stakeholders as well as demonstrating credibility. You will also be an excellent leader of people, able to build high performing teams and a culture of continuous improvement through focusing on the development of yourself and your staff.

I see this role as a great opportunity to influence our future direction and the positive life changing services which we provide to children, young people and families in Haringey. If you have the drive, experience and skills to help us achieve our ambitions, I would be delighted to hear from you.

Yours Sincerely,

Ann Graham

Director of Children's Services