## **APPENDIX 2**

## PERMANENCE OPTIONS FOR CHILDREN/ YOUNG PEOPLE BY AGE:

- The following flowchart is a guidance in helping you to think about the Permanency Planning of Children and Young People of different ages; the Permanency Planning Meeting (PPM) will allow the professional network, and chair to use the information below to support the overall plan.
- Where the child is 0 17 years, if at the end of the legal process no family is found and foster carer is unable to consider Adoption or SGO or the Child/ Young Person then PPM's continue to be held until they find permanency.

| Age 0-2 YEARS |                    | Age 3 - 8 YEARS |                    | Age 8 - 13 YEARS |                    | Age 13 YEARS PLUS |                      |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| No Connected  | Connected carer    | No Connected    | Connected carer    | No Connected     | Connected carer    | No Connected      | Connected carer      |
| carer         | arrangements are   | carer           | arrangements are   | carer            | arrangements are   | carer             | arrangements are     |
| arrangements  | available          | arrangements    | available          | arrangements     | available          | arrangements      | available            |
| available     |                    | available       |                    | available        |                    | available         |                      |
|               | Family Group       |                 | Family Group       |                  | Family Group       |                   | Family Group         |
|               | Conference must be |                 | Conference must be |                  | Conference must be |                   | Conference and PPM   |
|               | arranged in these  |                 | arranged in these  |                  | arranged in these  |                   | must be arranged in  |
|               | situations and     |                 | situations and     |                  | situations and     |                   | these situations and |
|               | reviewed           |                 | reviewed           |                  | reviewed           |                   | reviewed             |

## Parallel Planning until it is clear that return to birth family is not possible and the chid will be placed outside of their family home.

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|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Concurrent         | Formal Approved            | Concurrent                       | Formal Approved            | Foster to Adopt                   | Formal Approved      | Formal Approved           | Formal Approved                          |
| Planning/ Foster   | Connected Foster           | Planning/ Foster                 | Connected Foster           | Placement:                        | Connected Foster     | Foster Carer              | Connected Carer                          |
| to Adopt           | Care                       | to Adopt                         | Care                       | <ul> <li>AD and ADM is</li> </ul> | Care                 | <ul><li>Special</li></ul> | <ul> <li>Special Guardianship</li> </ul> |
| Placement:         | <ul><li>Adoption</li></ul> | Placement:                       | <ul><li>Adoption</li></ul> | to be notified                    | Special              | Guardianship              | Order                                    |
| •AD and ADM is     | • Special                  | •AD and ADM is                   | <ul><li>Special</li></ul>  |                                   | Guardianship Order   | Order                     | <ul> <li>Child Arrangements</li> </ul>   |
| to be notified     | Guardianship Order         | to be notified                   | Guardianship (with         | <ul><li>Long Term</li></ul>       | • Child              | •Child                    | Order                                    |
| Adopt London       | • Child                    | <ul> <li>ALS referral</li> </ul> | existing foster            | Foster Finder                     | Arrangements         | Arrangements              | •Care Order-                             |
| South (ALS)        | Arrangements               | made for                         | carer)                     | alerted and child                 | Order                | Order                     | possibility of move to                   |
| referral should be | Order                      | immediate                        | •Long-Term                 | is to be taken to                 | • Care Order –       | •Care Order-              | SGO                                      |
| made for           | • Care Order –             | family finding                   | Fostering with             | panel to be                       | possibility of mover | possibility of move       |  |
| immediate family   | possibility of move        | <ul><li>Special</li></ul>        | Connected Carer            | matched                           | to SGO               | to SGO                    |  |
| finding            | to SGO/Child               | Guardianship                     | would need AD and          |                                   |                      | •Long Term                |  |
| •Long Term         | Arrangement Order          | (with existing                   | ADM Approval               |                                   |                      | Fostering: ADM is         |  |
| Fostering (needs   |                            | Foster Carer)                    |                            |                                   |                      | to be notified and        |  |
| AD approval if     |                            | <ul> <li>Long Term</li> </ul>    |                            |                                   |                      | Fostering Family          |  |
| child is under     |                            | Fostering (needs                 |                            |                                   |                      | finder referral to        |  |
| eight)             |                            | AD approval if                   |                            |                                   |                      | be made                   |  |
|                    |                            | child is under                   |                            |                                   |                      |                           |  |
|                    |                            | eight)                           |                            |                                   |                      |                           |  |