

## 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 carer arrangements available	Connected carer arrangements are available	No Connected carer arrangements available	Connected carer arrangements are available	No Connected carer arrangements available	Connected carer arrangements are available	No Connected carer arrangements available	Connected carer arrangements are available
	Family Group Conference must be arranged in these situations and reviewed		Family Group Conference must be arranged in these situations and reviewed		Family Group Conference must be arranged in these situations and reviewed		Family Group Conference and PPM must be arranged in these situations and reviewed
<b>Parallel Planning until it is clear that return to birth family is not possible and the child will be placed outside of their family home.</b>							
Concurrent Planning/ Foster to Adopt Placement: •AD and ADM is to be notified •Adopt London South (ALS) referral should be made for immediate family finding •Long Term Fostering (needs AD approval if child is under eight)	Formal Approved Connected Foster Care •Adoption • Special Guardianship Order • Child Arrangements Order • Care Order – possibility of move to SGO/Child Arrangement Order	Concurrent Planning/ Foster to Adopt Placement: •AD and ADM is to be notified •ALS referral made for immediate family finding •Special Guardianship (with existing Foster Carer) •Long Term Fostering (needs AD approval if child is under eight)	Formal Approved Connected Foster Care •Adoption •Special Guardianship (with existing foster carer) •Long-Term Fostering with Connected Carer would need AD and ADM Approval	Foster to Adopt Placement: •AD and ADM is to be notified  •Long Term Foster Finder alerted and child is to be taken to panel to be matched	Formal Approved Connected Foster Care • Special Guardianship Order • Child Arrangements Order • Care Order – possibility of mover to SGO	Formal Approved Foster Carer •Special Guardianship Order •Child Arrangements Order •Care Order-possibility of move to SGO •Long Term Fostering: ADM is to be notified and Fostering Family finder referral to be made	Formal Approved Connected Carer •Special Guardianship Order •Child Arrangements Order •Care Order-possibility of move to SGO