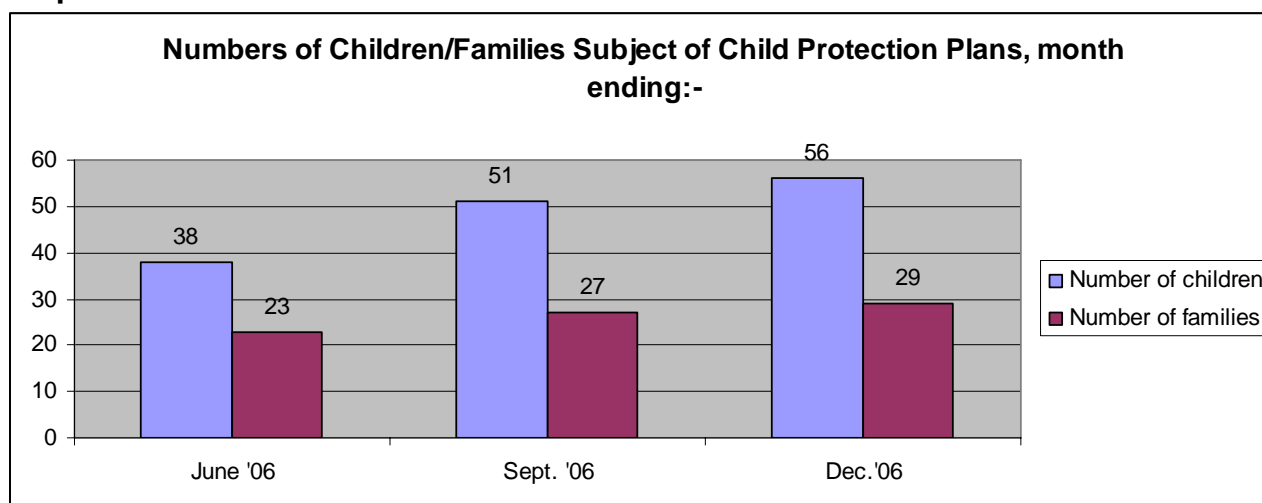


**CHILD PROTECTION INFORMATION FOR LSCB MEETING ON
1/3/07**

Information from 01/04/06 to 31/12/06

Children (from families) subject of Child Protection Plans per quarter: 1/4/06 – 31/12/06
Graph A



Children subject to new Child Protection Activity – 1/4/06- 31/12/06

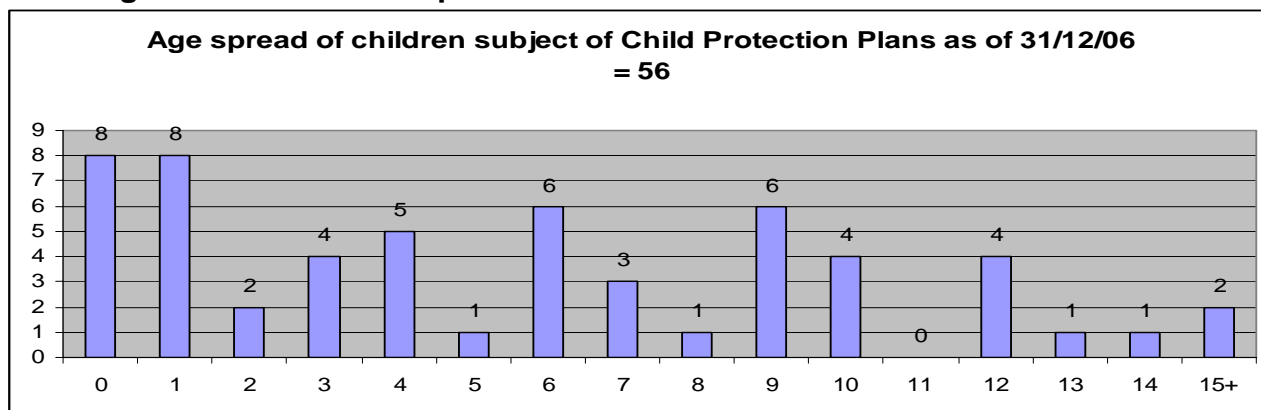
New Police consultations	119
Police consultations leading to an initial strategy discussion	86
Initial strategy discussion leading to Section 47	72
Section 47 investigation progressing to initial child protection conference	32
Outcome of strategy meetings not progressing to S47 enquiry:	
• Section 17 services	11
• Closed	1

Conference Details – 1/4/06-31/12/06

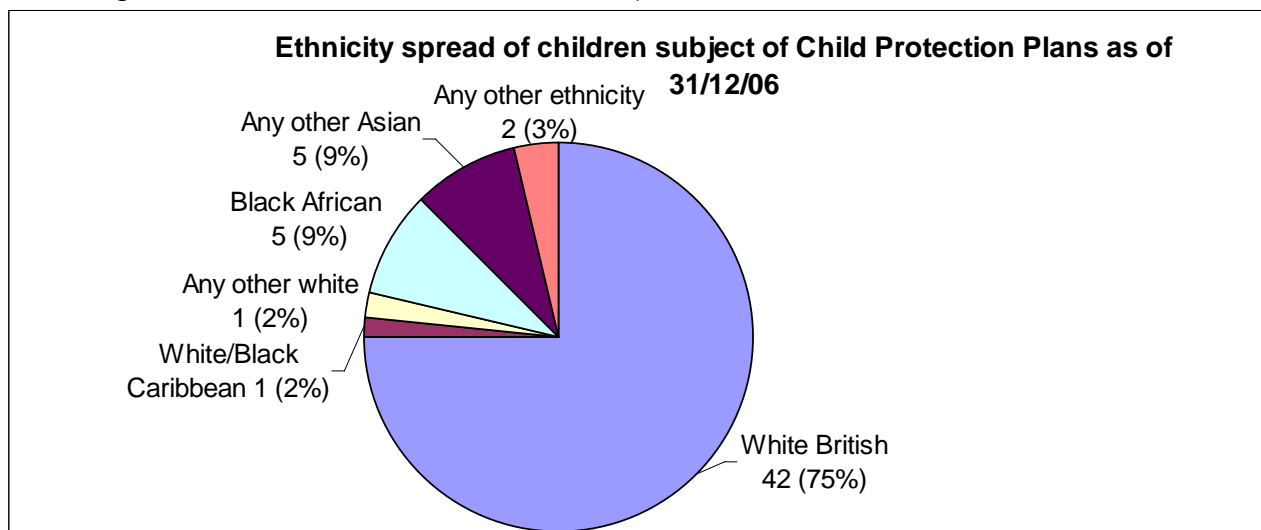
No. of children made subject of CP Plans from the 20 ICPCs (includes 1 transfer conference from another LA)	33 children including 4 unborn.
No. of children considered at the 50 review conferences	94 children (+1 unborn)
No. of children no longer subject of CP Plan (de-registered)	18 children
No. of review conferences held on time	50 review = 100%
No. of children previously subject of CP Plan	1 child
How long subject of a CP Plan at 31/12/06:	
a) Less than 1 year	a) 39 children
b) Between 1 – 2 years	b) 17 children
c) Over 2 years	c) 0 child
Children de-registered since 01/04/06 who have been subject of CP Plan for longer than 2 years	1 child
Parental/family members attendance at conference	63 of the 70 conferences had at least 1 family member attend
Distribution of the protection plan within 48 hours to all core group members	96% (3 plans not on time due to ICS)
Distribution of the conference minutes within 15 working days	97% (2 conference minutes not on time due to ICS)

Details of Children with Child Protection Plans as of 31/12/07 = 56

- **Genders of children** – 30 girls and 22 boys + 4 unborn
- **Ages of children** – Graph B

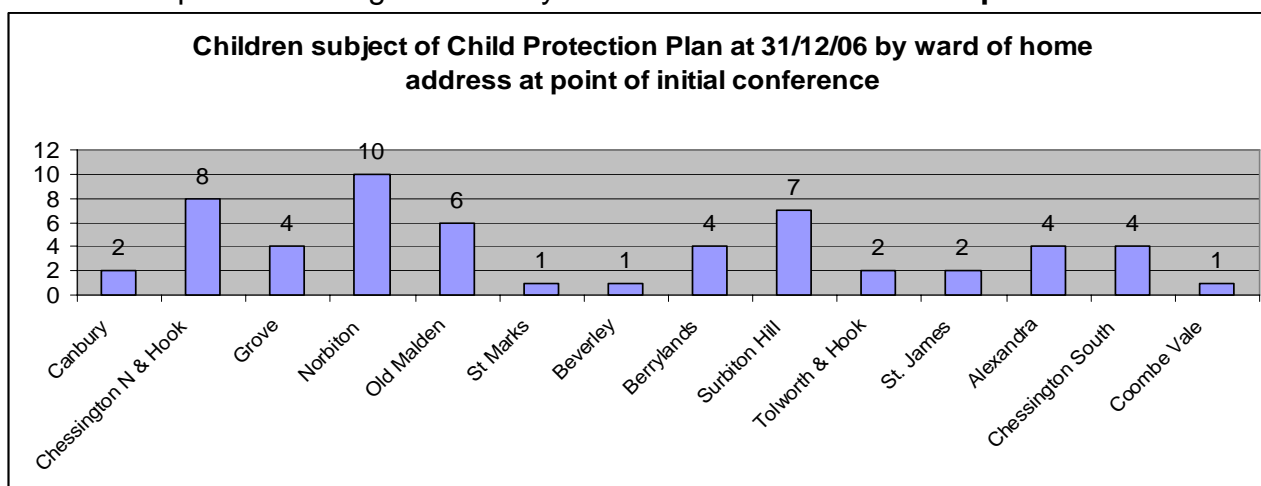


- **Ethnicity of children** – Graph C (numbers and percentages with a breakdown of the ages of children from ethnic minorities)



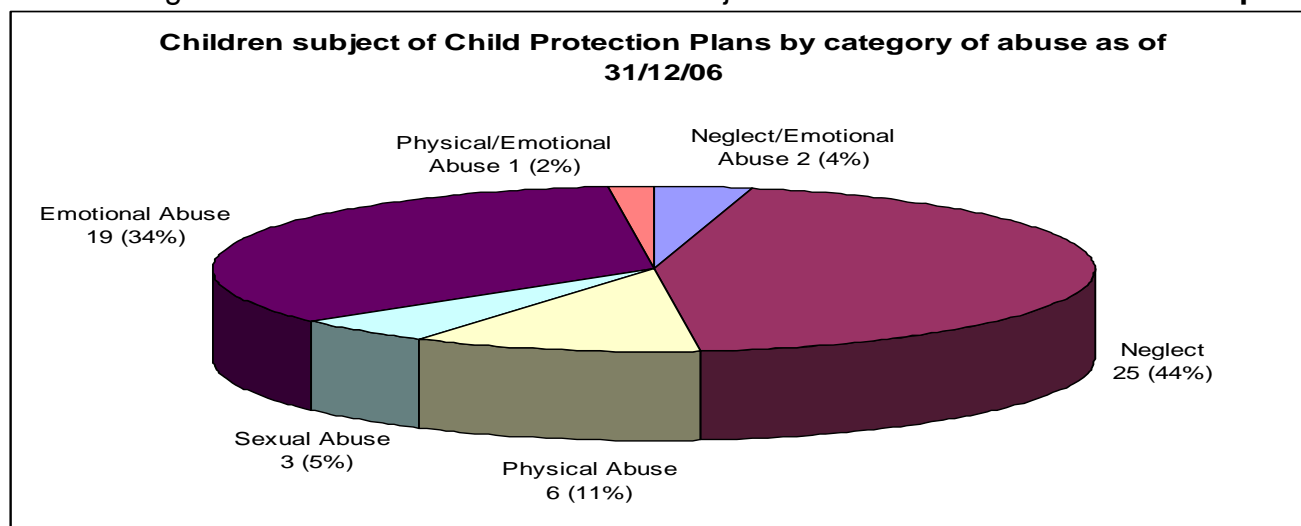
Ages of ethnic minorities children: 0, 1(x2), 2, 3, 4, 6(x2), 7, 8, 9(x3), 13

- **Disability** – 3 children (3 families) with a disability.
- **Child protection Registrations by Ward of home address** – Graph D



There are no children subject of Child Protection Plans that originate from Tudor or Coombe Hill Wards

- Categories under which the children are subjects of Child Protection Plans – **Graph E**



- Child with a CP Plan allocated a keyworker – 100%
- Child with a current and active CP Plan – 100%
- Child visited at least every 6 weeks by the keyworker at home – 100%

Significant Factors affecting the 35 Children & their Families subject of the 20 Initial Child Protection Conferences held from 01/04/06 – 31/12/06	
Parent with a diagnosed mental health illness	1/20
Parent receiving a CMHT service	1/20
Parent receiving inpatient treatment for mental health illness under Section	0/20
Domestic violence	7/20
Previous child removed	1/20
Care proceedings	1/20
Lone parent	10/20
Parent is / was in Kingston's care and /or a care leaver	0/20
Parent previously on Kingston's child protection register	2/20
Parent aged under 21	3/20
Child with a disability	1/20
Child placed with extended family members	1/20
Child receiving regular respite from a foster carer	1/20
Large families (4 plus children)	1/20
Drug misuse	3/20
Alcohol misuse	4/20
Drug & alcohol misuse	1/20
Parent receiving treatment for substance misuse	1/20
Concerns that a parent may have downloaded child pornography and/or has a sexual interest in children	2/20
Parent deemed to pose a risk to children	9/20
Parents subject to statutory supervision (Probation)	2/20
Young person subject to statutory supervision (YOT)	1/20
Parent with a learning disability & receiving an adult service for this	0/20
Housing including arrears	6/20
Other debts	1/20
Non school attendance	3/20
Neo natal substance misuse	2/20
Previous CP registrations	0/20

Key Trends

- During the first nine months of this year, 128 children were considered at the 70 initial and review conferences. This is an increase of over 25% compared to the same period last year when 95 children were considered at the 61 initial and review conferences. The trend over recent years has been for more children to go through the conference process. November 2006 was the busiest month for child protection activity that RBK has had in recent memory.
- At the 20 initial conferences considering 35 children in the first nine months of the year, all but 2 children were made subject of a cp plan. One of these children was a transfer in from another LA and was nearly 16 years old. In the other case, the family left the country.
- Drug and / or alcohol misuse was a significant factor in 40% of the 20 initial conferences although only one parent was receiving treatment.
- There were 4 unborn babies considered at 4 of the 20 initial conferences and in 2 cases, drug misuse was a significant factor.
- Domestic violence continues to be present in over one third of the families at the initial conference. DV is always present in significantly large numbers of the families.
- There has been an increase in the number of people deemed to pose a risk to children, with nearly half (9 of the 20 initial conferences) identifying parents to be a risk to children in general. The reason for this is that a new flagging procedure to identify people who pose a risk to children has been introduced by Learning & Children's Services as an outcome of the recent Serious Case Review.
- There has been one child re-registered with a child protection plan so far this year.
- Half of the parents considered are single parents and many of the families are isolated with poor social networks.
- Other vulnerability factors are young parents aged 21 or under. Two of the parents had themselves been on Kingston's child protection register.
- A parent or other significant family member attended 90% (63 of the 70 conferences) of the conferences. This high level of family participation is similar to previous years.
- Of the 20 initial conferences, only 1 was attended by a young person (aged 15). This is generally due to the fact that most of the children are under 12. In Kingston, the wishes of the young person to attend a conference are always carefully balanced with whether this is in the young person's best interest.
- Only 1 child has been on the CPR for longer than 2 years and her name was removed in December. Therefore one child was on the CPR for longer than 2 years at the point of de-registration and this gives a local figure of 5%. Nationally at the end of 2004, this figure was 13%.