



# Working with Barnardo's

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# History



Thomas John Barnardo 1845-1905



# History

- Thomas John Barnardo was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1845.
- As a young man he moved to London to train as a doctor. When he arrived, he was shocked to find children living in terrible conditions, with no access to education.
- His first step, in 1867, was to set up a 'ragged school' where children could get a free basic education.
- In 1870, Barnardo opened his first home for boys. As well as putting a roof over their heads, the home trained the boys in carpentry, metalwork and shoemaking, and found apprenticeships for them.
- In 1873 Barnardo married Syrie Louise Elmslie, who was to play an important role in the development of the charity.
- As a wedding present, they were given a lease on a 60-acre site in Barkingside, east London, where the couple opened a home for girls.
- By the end of the 1950s almost a quarter of our work involved helping children stay with their own families.



# History

- The 1960s were a time of radical social change: a growing welfare system meant that fewer families needed to put their children into care. the need for children's homes was decreasing.
- We began to focus less on residential services. Instead, we developed our work families, with disabled children and children with emotional and behavioural difficulties.
- Today, we support and protect children and young people facing a wide range of issues, from drug misuse to disability, from sexual abuse to domestic violence.
- Over 150 years ago, Barnardo promised to support those children in need of help – regardless of their circumstances, gender, race, disability or behaviour.
- But one thing has never changed: like our founder, Thomas Barnardo, we believe that with the right help, children can change their lives and achieve their potential.



# Today

In 2020-21 Barnardo's and partners reached **382,872** children, young people, parents and carers.



We supported work with:

**103,057**

vulnerable children and young people through our **Covid-19 response programme, See, Hear, Respond<sup>5</sup>** (see page 13)

**81,792**

people through one-to-one support

**159,984**

through 62 Barnardo's **children's centres and family hubs** including 105,400 through our Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service (partnership)

**38,039**

through our **school-based programmes**



**791** services and partnerships throughout the UK

Northern Ireland **90** services | Scotland **157** services | Wales **57** services | England **487** services



# Today



**7,338** colleagues<sup>6</sup>



**10,400** volunteers<sup>7</sup>



**650** retail shops

## Our reach in 2020-21

**5,294** Child Abuse and Exploitation

**2,071** Leaving Care

**51,398** Early Support

**1,171** Looked After Children

**250,425** Family Support Services

**48,500** Mental Health



# Today

- Children's Centres
- Family Support
- Fostering & Adoption
- Children Seeking Asylum
- Children with a Parent in Prison
- Alcohol & Drug Misuse
- Affected by Domestic Abuse
- Exploitation
- Young Carers
- Homelessness
- Employment & Training
- Positive Identities'
- FGM
- Child Trafficking
- Advocacy
- Mental Health & Wellbeing
- Additional Needs
- Leaving Care



# Work in Suffolk

- July 2021 – December 2021 supported the Emotional Wellbeing Hub with 'Green' referrals on the waiting list.
- 700 children, young people & families were contacted and supported.

Thank you so much for all of your time this morning. You are the first person, other than our school nurse, who has actually taken the time to listen to all of the history and help to try and understand the problem.

Mom said that all the help we have given today is the best call she has had to support her daughter in years, she said we don't realise what this has meant to her and thank you for talking, understand and the support.







# Work in Suffolk

- Barnardo's support for families has been well received and so to continue supporting families, Barnardo's is working with the EWH to provide an option for families to speak to Barnardo's team directly.
- Barnardo's is working with the EWH to test providing an option from the EWH telephone line to connect children, young people and families directly to Barnardo's if they need general wellbeing guidance, support and signposting.
- We hope that we can start this testing stage in February; you will still be able to use the EWH telephone number but there will be an option to press 1 to connect to Barnardo's.
- During this testing stage we will be seeking feedback from parents and carers on their experience.
- This feedback will be used to help shape any new service that developments from the pilot testing stage.



# Work in Suffolk

- Barnardo's is leading the Coordination Function (CF) within the NDD Pathway and will co-ordinate the child or young person's journey from enquiry/referral to the outcome of the diagnostic process and beyond, working with families and professionals to ensure that care is timely and that there is a co-ordinated approach to delivering the care and support required.
- The function of the CF will include but is not limited to:
  - Being a single point of access for the NDD pathway
  - Receiving all referrals and confirming receipt
  - Providing advice and support for families around local support offer
  - Coordinating all triage meetings and associated paperwork
  - Coordinating the request for assessments / onward referrals
  - Coordinating effective, informative and timely feedback to families following MDT panel decisions
  - Being the point of contact for families at any point during the pathway process
  - Ensuring that consistency of support and information is embedded in the system.



# Work in Suffolk

- Ensure the voice of the Child & Family is heard throughout.
- Work with children, young people and families to encourage and support the co-production of new work via stakeholder groups, attend networking groups etc.
- Support all partners with the testing and shaping of new ways of working.