

Appendix 1: Risk Assessment Framework

Child development	Parenting capacity	Family/environment
High-level risk factors		
Early problems with antisocial and criminal behaviour	Historically involved with, or known to, social services	Family members involved With, or associated with, gangs
Persistent offending	Lax parental supervision	Wider family involved with gangs
Unable to regulate own emotions and behaviour	Lack of parental attachment to child	Community norms that tolerate crime
Physical violence and aggression	Conflict and violence in the home	Local tensions between ethnic/cultural/religious groups
Permanent exclusion from school	Parental abuse	Known gang recruitment at school
Friends condoning or involved in anti-social or aggressive behaviour	Parents aggressive towards, or unwilling to engage with, statutory agencies	Presence of gangs in community
Alcohol and drug misuse	Child is not protected from significant harm or danger, including contact with unsafe adults	High levels of local crime including drugs market
Medium-level risk factors		
Mental health problems	Lack of emotional care	Availability and use of drugs
Aggression, behavioural problems	Allowing child to associate with known troublemakers	Criminal conviction of parents or siblings
Depression	Violent discipline	Witness or victim of domestic violence
Truancy and unexplained absence from school	Lack of parental discipline	
Bullied or bullying others	Inconsistent or minimal boundaries	
Medical history of repeated injuries or accidents		
Child in local authority care or leaving care		
Low-level risk factors		
Aggressive bullying by siblings	Child left with multiple and/or unsuitable carers	Lack of positive role models in the community
Lack of ethnic identity	Parents don't model positive and responsible behaviour	Transient families

Peer pressure	Absent parent	Lack of age-appropriate, safe play facilities in area
Not involved in positive activities	Unstable family environment	Financial difficulties affecting child
Few social ties	Parents unable to communicate	High unemployment
Exposure to violent media	Parent-child separation	Sustained poverty
		Lack of reliable support from wider family
		Limited access to conventional careers