

Table 2

Case Study: Tower Hamlets 1998 – 2012

1. **Tower Hamlets** had (and still has) significant socio-economic deprivation
2. 1998: Ofsted Report on **Tower Hamlets** ‘Infamous and Damning’
3. But Deprivation is not Destiny
4. So **Tower Hamlets** responded with a strategy. It comprised:
 - A) The Local Authority combining with
 - B) schools and
 - C) a range of partners
5. Within five years, the Guardian was praising the improvement
“Turnaround in **Tower Hamlets**” - article by David Walker, *The Guardian*,
March 2003
6. By 2012, none of **Tower Hamlets’** schools was rated Inadequate.
7. In December 2013, a research report on the transformation was titled
“Transforming Education for All: the **Tower Hamlets** Story”
8. Its author was Chris Brown.
9. In October 2023, Chris Brown was appointed Professor of Education at the
University of Southampton.