

CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2018

6.30 PM

Bourges/Viersen Room - Town Hall

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Committee Members:

Councillors: Ayres, Bisby (Chairman), Bond, C Harper, Hussain, Jones, S Lane (Vice Chairman), B Saltmarsh, L Serluca, Smith and J Stokes

Substitutes: Councillors: Aitken, J A Fox and E Murphy

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**MINUTES OF THE CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE MEETING (FORMAL)
HELD AT 6:30PM, ON
WEDNESDAY, 18 JULY 2018
BOURGES/VIERSEN ROOM, TOWN HALL, PETERBOROUGH**

Committee Members Present: Councillors, Aitken, Bisby, (Chair), Bond, Harper, Hussain, Jones, Lane, Saltmarsh, Smith and Stokes.

Officers Present:

Nicola Curley, Assistant Director Children's Services
Myra O'Farrell, Head of Corporate Parenting
Andy Pallas, The Adolescent and Children's Trust (TACT)
Alice Prosser, Children in Care Officer
Jenny Weeden, Senior Youth Engagement and Participation Officer
Deborah Spencer, Dedicated nurse for Children in Care
Deborah Kennedy, Dedicated Nurse for Children in Care
Dr Mona Aslam, Designated Doctor for Looked After Children
Karen S Dunleavy, Democratic Services Officer

Also Present:

Phillip Gilbert MBE - Foster Care Forum
Stephen Greene - Foster Care Forum

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ayres, Councillor Aitken was in attendance as substitute.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 March 2018 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interest were made.

4. DRAFT REVIEW OF 2017/18 AND WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2018/19

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to the Draft Review of 2017/18 and Work Programme for 2018/19.

The purpose of the report was to request the Committee to consider and comment on the review of work undertaken in 2017/18 and to approve the Work Programme items for 2018/19.

The Chairman introduced the report and highlighted the review of the Committee's work.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered and **RESOLVED** to note agree the report.

AGREED ACTION

The Committee **RESOLVED** (unanimously) to note the report and:

- I. Considered the items presented to the Corporate Parenting Committee during 2017/18;
- II. Agreed that the meeting format adopted at its informal meeting on 5 October 2016 and ratified at its formal meeting on 9 November 2016, was a true reflection of the Committee's work commitment;
- III. Noted the current Committee's formal and informal meeting format;
- IV. Determined its priorities, and approved the draft work programme for formal and informal meetings for 2018/19; and
- V. Noted the Terms of Reference for this Committee as set out in Part 3, Delegations Section 2 – Regulatory Committee Functions, 2.4.

5. Corporate Parenting Champions Report

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to the appointment of the Corporate Parenting Champion positions. Since the publication of the report, two vacancies had arisen for the position of Health Champion and Housing Champion.

The purpose of the report was to request the Committee to consider and appoint the positions of Corporate Parenting Champion, which included the recent vacant positions.

The following nominations for the vacant positions which were seconded, Councillor Stokes was appointed to the position of Housing Champion and Councillor Aitken was appointed to Health Champion.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered and **RESOLVED** to approve the Champion positions.

AGREED ACTION

The Committee **RESOLVED** (unanimously) to note the report and agreed the appointment of Corporate Parenting Champions as follows:

- I. Housing - Councillor Stokes
- II. Employment and Training Opportunities within the Council Departments and Partner Agencies - Councillor Ayres
- III. Health - Councillor Aitken
- IV. Education Attainment and access to higher education - Councillor Ayres
- V. Recreation and Leisure activities - Councillor Smith
- VI. Finance and benefits - Councillor Bond

6. Update from the Senior Participation Officer on behalf of the Children in Care Council

The Corporate Parenting Committee received an update in relation to the You Said We Did progress.

The purpose of the report was to request the Committee to consider and note the contents.

The Senior Participation Officer for Children in Care Council introduced the item to Members and asked them to note the update and raise any queries with officers.

The Corporate Parenting Committee discussed the update and the key points raised and responses to questions included:

- Ofsted had visited the Youth Club and talked to the children who were able to take the officers on a journey covering their last 12 months in care.
- The use of MOMO was continuing and being utilised in a positive way and a recent case was highlighted where the App had been used by a child in care to access the support needed and achieved a positive outcome.
- Whilst it was acknowledged that the Mind of My Own (MOMO) App was a useful tool not all children in care (CiC) were aware of its existence.
- Children in Care were introduced to the App via their Go To Cards all children had been given, however any gaps would be reviewed.
- Any carer or child who required access to the App could contact the safeguarding services.
- It was suggested that the Foster Carer Forum representatives could raise awareness of the availability of the Children in Care (CiC) Mind of My Own (MOMO) application at their meetings and request that Foster Carers encourage their CiC to use the function to manage their communications with the Local Authority.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered and **RESOLVED** (unanimously) to note the report.

7. UPDATE FROM FOSTER CARERS

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to the recent activities and outcomes of the Foster Carer Forum meetings.

The purpose of the report was to request the Committee to consider and note the update provided by foster carers.

Philip Gilbert MBE introduced the report and provided an update of the discussions and actions arising from the Foster Carers Forum meetings.

The Corporate Parenting Committee discussed the update and the key points raised and responses to questions included:

- The recent Foster Carers Barbecue had been very successful and Members commented that such events were viewed positively within the community;
- The Adolescents and Children's Trust (TACT) had introduced level four training for foster carers, to ensure the best care was being provided to support the most challenging children;
- TACT reported they were working on the 'staying put' plan;
- There was a shared house scheme, which foster carers were receiving training on with the aim to support young people in care with the transition towards independent living; and
- The legal tenancy issues of a shared housing scheme was being explored by TACT.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered and **RESOLVED** to note the report.

AGREED ACTION

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered and **RESOLVED** (unanimously) to note the report and agreed that:

1. The Foster Carer Forum representatives would highlight the availability of the Children in Care (CiC) Mind of My Own (MOMO) application with Foster Carers through the Forum meetings with the aim to encourage their CiC to use the function to manage communications with the Local Authority.

8. REPORT ON PROGRESS OF UNACCOMPANIED ASYLUM SEEKING CHILDREN

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report on the progress with Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC).

The purpose of the update was to request the Committee to consider the progress made with UASC placed in Peterborough.

The Assistant Director Children's Services introduced the item to Members and asked them to note the report and raise any queries with officers.

The Corporate Parenting Committee discussed the update and in summary, key points raised and responses to questions included:

- The reduction in numbers of UASC had been due to five children reaching the age of 18.
- The report on Accommodation and Placement mentioned in item 4.8 of the report would be welcomed by the Corporate Parenting Committee in due course.
- The Red Cross had not been particularly successful in finding the families of these (UASC), mainly due to the scant knowledge the children had themselves and the difficulty of communications within their home country.
- School places were allocated on a catchment basis to place a child in the nearest school to their home.
- Asylum Seeking Children were provided with interpreters when being interviewed.
- Members commented that it was important that the voices of the Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children were heard and that this should be demonstrated in future reports.
- The Community Cohesion Officer had liaised with the local community to foster links with organisations that had relevant ethnic backgrounds to identify mosques and churches, which asylum seeking children could attend in order to connect with their culture and heritage.

The Committee considered and **RESOLVED** (unanimously) to note the report.

9. ANNUAL HEALTH REPORT FROM THE DESIGNATED NURSE FOR CHILDREN IN CARE

The Corporate Parenting Committee received an Annual Health report.

The purpose of the update was to request the Committee to consider, note the annual update which was presented to Members each July. The purpose of the report is to provide an overview of the CCGs activities to ensure robust monitoring and quality assurance systems were in place to meet the health needs of the Looked After Children population in Peterborough.

The Designated Nurse for Children in Care introduced the item to Members and asked them to note the report and raise any queries with officers.

The Corporate Parenting Committee discussed the report and in summary, key points raised and responses to questions included:

- The Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire (SDQ) questionnaire was used as a standard tool to measure emotional health for the young people and their carers, and had been carried out continually within set timeframes.
- CAMH had provided extra funding to close the gap for children with behavioural and attachment difficulties following a letter sent from the Committee.
- Some assessments were out of time where a child had been placed out of county where the assessment was conducted by other local authorities. The priority these were given had been variable.
- The Committee were advised that an audit on comparisons between in area and out of area health assessments was planned for the future.
- Health assessments carried out on Children in Care out of area by another county used standardised national paperwork. Once a completed health report was submitted by another authority, the action plans were overseen by the local relevant doctor. An out of county health assessment would be conducted in due course.
- Enquiries were being made into developing a Leaving Care Application to move away from paper booklets and try to reach care leavers on a more relevant platform.
- The dental data within the performance report had gone into the green rating.
- Most health assessment improvements had been initiated as a result of the recent audit. The alignments of processes between Peterborough and Cambridge had improved documentation and added further questions to the health questionnaire, which had a positive impact on the results.
- The Committee were impressed with the significant improvements and expressed their thanks.
- The MOMO App was not linked to any other systems.
- Every MOMO statement would be read and referred to the relevant social worker.
- The SDQs were sent out with the appointment letter for the initial health assessment or given out at the assessment and annually at a CiC's review.
- Two written letters were sent out to request completion of the SDQ and the Committee were advised that if the form was still not completed, a request would be made to fill them out on the day of the health check.
- For older children, both the carer and the child completed the same form and the results compared.
- Where assessments had been missed it would usually be due to a clash of appointments.
- If a child had missed two appointments, a telephone conversation would be conducted.
- The data for the two months gap for assessments was now available.
- Around 50% of questionnaires were returned.
- Work was underway to improve on the number of questionnaires being completed and returned.
- It was being considered how returned questionnaires with high SDQ scores could be shared with a child's teacher and this process was being researched at present.
- The Committee were advised that currently work was underway with social care, education and health to use the SDQ to formulate the CiC, care plan and share the information as a tool to provide a cohesive service for the child.
- Training would also be delivered to foster carers around getting the surveys completed and returned.
- Questions were raised regarding the timescales in place for psychological care however, there had been a break in that service and timelines would be reviewed. It had been anticipated that the recent funding would help to improve services for CiC with attachment issues.

- CAMHs had collected data from all children collectively however, CiC data could be separated out in the future.
- Many CiC had not met the specific criteria to qualify for CAMHs, although having attachment disorder difficulties or trauma related behaviour and there was a gap in services available through CAMHs. A recent briefing note had been sent to Members to update them on the position.
- TACT had resources that could provide mental health support in placements where a CiC had a higher need and there was a risk of placement breakdown.
- NSPCC were also able to provide therapists for CiC with behaviour and attachment disorders.

The Committee considered and **RESOLVED** (unanimously) to note the report.

10. PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Corporate Parenting Committee received a report in relation to Children in Care and Care Leaver placements.

The purpose of the report was to provide Members with an overview in respect of the numbers of children and young people currently being looked after by the Authority and to provide a breakdown of the types of placements in which they were living. The report also provided information about the age, gender and ethnicity of those children and young people.

The Assistant Director Children's Services introduced the report and requested Members to note the content of the report and raise any queries they had with lead officers.

- There were 380 children in care in May 2018.
- There were previously 392 children in care however, the number had been exceptionally high.
- The performance indicators highlighted within the report as red related to numbers of Children in Care rather than performance.
- The Council were working to reduce the number of CiC, however, the resources had remained the same to support these services.
- Audits have been conducted to ensure the correct children were being brought into care.
- The number of children in care per 10,000 had been statistically lower than PCC neighbours.
- The placement stability was around a small group of children who had moved on a regular basis.
- Areas of the report that were grey in colour had move towards quarterly reporting to improve accuracy.
- The 16+ worker in the virtual school had resulted in improvement.
- The Authority's performance statistics for placements were benchmarked against statistical neighbours to ensure the right children were being taken into care and there was no limit.
- The statistical figure for measurements were set by the DfE and could not be adjusted to what the Authority think the population had increased to. It was noted that the statistic had not always indicated a red rating.
- The young person recorded with a disability was placed outside the city area as there had been no suitable placements within.
- Children with disabilities were reported to be allocated an independent visitor where frequent family visits had not occurred to ensure they were always represented.

- Work was being undertaken with the courts to reduce the average number of days between court dates offered for adoption.
- The statistics had not included the children who were fostered by prospective adoptive parents and were subsequently adopted.
- The performance report was not expected to spike for children that were missing when the weather had been warmer, however, it tended to be the same CiC reported as missing.
- Often CiC were not missing as such, their whereabouts were known and they had just failed to return home.
- The distinction between absent and missing children was different, however, there had been no option to change this within the placements performance reports due to legal requirements.

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered and **RESOLVED** (unanimously) to note the report.

11. MEMBERS ISSUES

Members that were not part of the core Corporate Parenting Committee membership, but held corporate parenting responsibilities, were invited raise issues they had with regard to the services provided to Children in Care (CiC).

The Corporate Parenting Committee considered and **RESOLVED** that there were no issues to raise.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next informal meeting was due to be held on 12 September 2018. The formal meeting in November 2018 will be rescheduled.

Chairman
6:30pm – 7:55pm

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CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 4
21 NOVEMBER 2018	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Corporate Director People and Communities	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Sam Smith, Cabinet Member for Children's Services.	
Contact Officer(s):	Myra O'Farrell, Head of Service	Tel. 864391

CORPORATE PARENTING CHAMPIONS REPORT

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM: Corporate Parenting Committee Chair	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that the Corporate Parenting Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Recommend to Council that the Committee's terms of reference is updated to allow the Committee to create and appoint to Corporate Parenting Champion positions on a yearly basis; and II. Subject to Council approving the updated terms of reference, to create a new Champion position to support Effective Care Planning and appoint Councillor Dennis Jones to the position for the remainder of the 2018/2019 municipal year. 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report is submitted to Corporate Parenting Committee following the recent request by the Committee to adopt a further Corporate Parenting Champion position for Effective Care Planning at its informal meeting held on 12 September 2018.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 This report asks the Committee to recommend to Council that the terms of reference are amended to allow the Committee to set their own Corporate Parenting Champion roles and appoint to those positions accordingly on a yearly basis.

- 2.2 Currently the Corporate Parenting Committee terms of reference 2.4.3.6 states that the Committee would appoint elected members as Champions for Children in Care in respect of the following strands:

- i) Housing
- ii) Employment and training opportunities within council departments and with partner agencies
- iii) Health
- iv) Educational Attainment and access to Higher Education
- v) Recreation and Leisure activities
- vi) Finance and benefits

2.3

The proposed change to the Corporate Parenting Committee terms of reference 2.4.3.6 states: That the Committee would appoint elected members to Champions for Children in Care, with the roles being decided and approved by the Committee at the first formal meeting of the municipal year.

2.4

Following the request by Committee, officers investigated the options and it was felt appropriate to recommend that the terms of reference be changed to allow the Committee to set its own Champion roles and appoint to those roles on an annual basis. The Committee's terms of reference would need to be updated to permit the positions and appointments.

3. **TIMESCALES**

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. **BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES**

4.1 In July 2018 the Corporate Parenting Committee Champions for 2018 – 19 were confirmed as:

Champion Role	Councillor
Housing	Cllr Stokes
Employment and Training Opportunities within the Council Departments and Partner Agencies	Cllr Ayres
Health	Cllr Aitken
Education Attainment and access to higher education	Cllr Ayres
Recreation and Leisure activities	Cllr Smith
Finance and benefits	Cllr Bond

4.2 In between each Committee the Corporate Parenting Champion are responsible for the following:

- a) Meeting with the Lead Officer
- b) Undertaking a site visit
- c) Meeting with a child in care / young person / service user / other officers and discuss their experience of the service for Children in Care
- d) Contributing to a brief report back to the Committee, jointly between Champion and Lead Officer

4.3 **Key Issues**

Following a request to create an additional Champion position to support children in care and their families experiencing breakdown issues within foster placements; the Committee agreed that officers should explore the options to create a new position.

4.3.1 Officers explored the options and felt that it would be of more benefit to the Committee if they had the opportunity to set and appoint its own Champion positions, in order for the roles to effectively support children in care and care leavers where most needed.

5. CONSULTATION

- 5.1 Consulted with officers Corporate Parenting Committee at the informal meeting, which included the prospective nominee.

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

- 6.1 Ensure there is a more robust approach to supporting the experiences of children and young people in order to improve their lives.

7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 7.1 Champion appointments were requirement under the Committee's terms of reference.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 8.1 To not appoint an 'Effective Care Planning' Champion - this was dismissed as it would not support children in care, care leavers and their foster families.

9. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

- 9.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications

- 9.2 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Equalities Implications

- 9.3 There are no equalities implications arising from this report.

Other Implications

- 9.4 The appointment of Corporate Parenting Champions provides an opportunity to ensure that the level of service provided to Children in care and care leavers is to the highest standard.

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 10.1 None

11. APPENDICES

- 11.1 Appendix 1 - Corporate Parenting Committee terms of reference amendment.

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2.4 Peterborough Corporate Parenting Committee

2.4.1 Members must have undertaken relevant training within the past three years in order to hold a seat on this committee.

2.4.2 Terms of Reference

2.4.2.1 Our Commitment to Children and Young People in Care:

2.4.2.1 Peterborough City Council is committed to raising the quality of life of everyone living within the city. For children in particular, the city council aims to provide high quality opportunities for learning and ensure children are healthy and safe. It is important that the Corporate Parenting Committee members ensure that the Council provides such care, education and opportunities that the Committee would be afforded to their own children.

2.4.3 Purpose:

2.4.3.1 To ensure that the Council effectively discharges its role as Corporate Parent for all children and young people in care and care leavers and holds partners to account for the discharge of their responsibilities.

2.4.3.2 On behalf of the Council and partners of the Local Authority to ensure that all services directly provided for children and young people in care and care leavers are scrutinised to deliver to a high standard and to all statutory requirements.

2.4.3.3 To raise the aspiration, ambitions and life chances of children and young people in care, narrowing the gap of achievement between children in care and their peers.

2.4.3.4 To ensure that the Council effectively discharges its role as Corporate Parent for all children and young people in care and care leavers and holds partners to account for the discharge of their responsibilities.

2.4.3.5 To ensure that all elected members are aware of their corporate parenting responsibilities and that all Council services are mindful of the needs of children in care and respond accordingly within their particular remit.

2.4.4 Functions of the Committee:

2.4.4.1 To act as advocates for looked after children and care leavers.

2.4.4.2 To receive statutory reports in relation to the adoption, fostering, commissioning, looked after children services and children's homes with a view to recommending any changes.

2.4.4.3 Ensure that the needs of looked after children and care leavers are addressed through key plans, policies and strategies throughout the Council overseeing interagency working arrangements.

2.4.4.4 Review complaints from looked after children to ensure officers have dealt with these appropriately and made any recommendations for change.

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- 2.4.4.5 Raise awareness in Peterborough City Council and the wider community by promoting the role of members as corporate parents and the Council as a large corporate family with key responsibilities.
- 2.4.4.6 To monitor the quality of care delivered by the City Council and review the performance of outcomes for children and young people in care.
- (a) Raise the profile of the needs of looked after children and care leavers through a range of actions including through the organising of celebratory events for the recognition of achievement.
 - (b) Ensure that leisure, cultural, further education and employment opportunities are offered and taken up by our looked after children and care leavers.
 - (c) Promote the development of participation and ensure that the view of children and young people are regularly heard through the Corporate Parenting Committee to improve educational, health and social outcomes to raise aspiration and attainments.
 - (d) Hold meetings with children and young people in care, frontline staff and foster carers to inform the committee of the standards of care and improvement outcomes for looked after children.
 - (e) Monitor the ongoing commitment to providing support, training and clarity of expectations to foster carers to achieve excellent and high quality care.
 - (f) To set and approve Champion Member positions for Children in Care and appoint to those positions on annual basis. Champion membership positions could include the following strands:
 - i) Housing
 - ii) Employment and training opportunities within council departments and with partner agencies
 - iii) Health
 - iv) Educational Attainment and access to Higher Education
 - v) Recreation and Leisure activities
 - vi) Finance and benefits; and
 - vii) Any position appropriate to support children in care and care leavers.

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2.4.5 Work Programme

2.4.5.1 The Corporate Parenting Committee will formally agree a skeleton work programme annually which will be reviewed at each formal meeting. In reviewing the work programme, the Committee may agree to request reports on particular matters of their own preference or as advised by the lead officer.

2.4.6.2 Performance Monitoring

2.4.6.3. The Corporate Parenting Committee will scrutinise and monitor outcomes for children in care and care leavers. To this end, the Committee will develop and agree a core data set which it wishes to receive at each Committee meeting. Additional detailed monitoring reports will be presented in accordance with the agreed work programme on the following key aspects of care:

- (a) Placement stability
- (b) Independent child care reviews
- (c) The performance of all care standards regulated services

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- (d) Adoption and adoption support
- (e) Fostering
- (f) Children's homes
- (g) Service to care leavers, including accommodation, education, employment and training
- (h) The health needs of children in care
- (i) Educational attainment of children in care

2.4.6.4 The Corporate Parenting Committee will report to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and to the Scrutiny Committee on an annual basis or more frequently if required.

2.4.7 Membership of the Committee

2.4.7.1 There will be a standing membership of the Corporate Parenting Committee to provide continuity and consistency. Councillors outside the standing membership will be invited to discuss issues and raise questions within a standing agenda item.

2.4.7.2 The membership of the Corporate Parenting Committee must include the Cabinet Member with the responsibility for Children's Services.

2.4.7.3 All Councillors are invited to attend the informal meetings. The Committee may also co-opt non-voting members. Membership may include up to four foster carers and representatives from the Children in Care Council. The Committee may invite participation from non-members where this is relevant to their work.

2.4.8 Children in Care Council

2.4.8.1 Representatives from the Children in Care Council may attend the Corporate Parenting Committee up until and no later than 8pm.

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CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 5
21 NOVEMBER 2018	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Executive Director People and Communities Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Councils	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Sam Smith, Cabinet Member for Children's Services.	
Contact Officer(s):	Myra O'Farrell Head of Service Corporate Parenting	Tel. 864391

FOSTER CARER FORUM REPORT

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: Foster Carer Forum	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that the Corporate Parenting Committee</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notes the content of the report; and 2. Raise any queries they have with the lead officers. 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 This report is submitted to each formal Corporate Parenting Committee.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 Corporate Parenting Committee wish to receive an update at formal committee meetings of discussions and actions from the Foster Carers forum.

2.2 This report is being presented under the Corporate Parenting Committee Terms of Reference: 2.4.4.2 To receive statutory reports in relation to the adoption, fostering, commissioning, looked after children services and children's homes with a view to recommending any changes.

2.3 This links into all areas of the children in care pledge.

3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

4.1 The Foster Carers Committee continues to meet on a regular basis. The agenda consists of standing items and other issues, topics of conversation that occur from time to time. Meetings are attended by 10-15 representatives and the chair, deputy chair, secretary and treasurer posts are subject to annual elections. Managers from the Permanency service are also present at these meetings.

4.2 A summary of the discussions/actions at the committee is shared with all foster carers through

the bi monthly carers newsletter.

- 4.3 The group have been involved in working with TACT and PCC in developing the Staying Put offer to young people and carers. Work is still being finalised on this but work so far has contributed to an increasing number of young people remaining with their previous foster carers for a period before living more independently.
- 4.4 The committee and staff from the Permanency service have been involved in discussions with a local bank around their offer to young people/carers who open savings accounts with them.
- 4.5 The transport service is regularly reviewed, and Sara Thompson the PCC Transport manager attended the last meeting. The general satisfaction rates are improving and if there are issues they are being dealt with
- 4.6 There is an ongoing discussion around respite and opportunities for children with disabilities and policy is being clarified in that area.
- 4.7 The birth children's group is being reviewed to ensure it is fit for purpose
- 4.8 The Committee actively organises events for children and carers during school holiday periods. Events at Bounce in October and Wicksteed Park events over the summer holidays were very well attended and enjoyed by all. 141 tickets have been sold for the Christmas Pantomime and the Annual Children and Carers Christmas Party is being held on 2nd December at the Fleet.
- 4.9 An important development has been extending a welcome to special guardians to these social events. These families really appreciate this, and it is helping them get to know other carers.
- 4.10 Foster carers have been actively involved in developing the service acting as buddies and acting as support for other carers subject to allegations. Carers are involved in delivering skills to foster sessions also and have been actively promoting the service and inviting friends and people they think may be suitable to apply to be foster carers.
- 4.11 The first annual TACT Peterborough foster carer survey took place in the summer. There was a 47% response rate which was seen as positive as the average response rate for online surveys is 33%.
- 4.12 Motivations to be foster carers – As in most other surveys carers wanted to: make a difference to the lives of children in care, offer children a positive experience of family life and the fact they enjoyed working with children. A strong factor was also wanting to give something back to the community which fits with TACT's charitable ethos and that of a public service/local authority.
- 4.13 Satisfaction levels - 92% of respondents described TACT Peterborough Permanency Service staff as treating them and their families positively and 90% felt the service had a priority and focus on the children and young people they fostered and importantly 96% of carers with birth children were pleased with the care the service had shown towards their birth children. Carers gave positive reviews to the TACT Peterborough Foster Carer Newsletter, updated Foster Carer Handbook and Foster Carer Support Groups.
Satisfaction rates of 100% were recorded in replying to phone calls, 97% in replying to letters, 96% in replying to emails, 95% seeing carers face to face and 96% regarding quality of supervision.
- 4.14 Delegated responsibility – This area appears to be working well; It was positive to see 73% said they were able to allow children to go to friend's houses for sleepovers, 83% said they could sign consent forms for school trips and 92% said they could arrange haircuts.
- 4.15 Terms of Approval - Growing and maximising the use of in house capacity rather than using more expensive Independent Fostering Agencies is a major objective of the service and the Council so it's important how the service manages this in the way it interacts with carers. Whilst 7 carer households (15% of those answering question) had been asked to take children,

outside of their terms of approval and most felt this was ok and they were supported, but two didn't. The TACT Peterborough figures suggest we are managing this better than most but must not be complacent as the financial challenges will not lessen.

- 4.16 The Out of Hours service has been a success with those carers needing to use it giving a 90% satisfaction response to the service received. The FN survey described out of hours support as could be better or poor, very different to the local picture in Peterborough. There were teething problems initially as staff got used the system and rotas, but we will continue to monitor the service closely.
- 4.17 Training - 98% scored the quality of training at 7/10 and over and 98% described the current training programme as meeting their needs, whereas 50% of those in the FN Survey didn't have training plans, so it would appear our service is doing very well. Whilst face to face training was preferred by 84% of carers, they embrace different modes of training despite the strong preference.
- 4.18 Service Developments - Foster carers were keen to provide more Child and Parent placements and Parallel Parenting (helping return children home to parents when appropriate).
- 4.19 Health - There were positive results in terms of carers interactions with health services and 100% said they felt confident about talking to the children and young people in your care about sexual health and relationships?
- 4.20 Education - Whilst a large majority of foster carers (69%) thought children were achieving at levels about right for them, a number thought children were under achieving. TACT will be working on this with Children's Services and the Virtual Head.
- 4.21 Quality- TACT Peterborough customer service was rated by 95% or more positively in the following areas: replying to your phone calls. letters, emails, seeing carers face to face and in the quality of supervision received.
- 4.22 It is pleasing for both PCC & TACT going forward that 91% of carers said they would recommend the TACT Peterborough Permanency Service to others interested in fostering, whereas only 55% of foster carers in the FN survey would recommend fostering to others.
- 4.23 Work plan - Respite and the management of allegations were key areas carers spoke to us about and these will be on the work plan going forward. The changes asked for were across the spectrum, but common features were the services relationship with PCC children's services, being treated as a professional and further developing the support given to carers.

5. CONSULTATION

- 5.1 None

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

- 6.1 None

7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 7.1 Corporate Parenting Committee to be aware of the role of the Foster Carer Forum.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 8.1 N/A

9. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

9.1 None

Legal Implications

9.2 No

Equalities Implications

9.3 No

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

10.1 None

11. APPENDICES

11.1 None

CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 6
21 NOVEMBER 2018	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Executive Director People and Communities Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Councils	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Sam Smith, Cabinet Member for Children's Services.	
Contact Officer(s):	Jenny Weeden Senior Youth Voice Officer	Tel. 864511

CHILDREN IN CARE COUNCIL UPDATE
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RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: Nicola Curley Assistant Director Children's Services	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that the Corporate Parenting Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Notes the content of the report. ● Raise any queries they have with the lead officers. 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 This report is submitted to each formal and informal Corporate Parenting Committee.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update from the Children in Care Council.

2.2 This report is presented under the Corporate Parenting Committee's Terms of Reference, 2.4.4.1 To act as advocates for looked after children and care leavers.

2.4.4.6 To monitor the quality of care delivered by the City Council and review the performance of outcomes for children and young people in care.

(a) Raise the profile of the needs of looked after children and care leavers through a range of actions including through the organising of celebratory events for the recognition of achievement.

(b) Ensure that leisure, cultural, further education and employment opportunities are offered and taken up by our looked after children and care leavers.

(c) Promote the development of participation and ensure that the view of children and young people are regularly heard through the Corporate Parenting Committee to improve educational, health and social outcomes to raise aspiration and attainments.

(d) Hold meetings with children and young people in care, frontline staff and foster carers to inform the committee of the standards of care and improvement outcomes for looked after children.

2.3 This links to the Children in Care Pledge under:

1. Respect - We will respect you as individuals, with differing wants, needs and beliefs and tailor the service you get to fit you.

3. **TIMESCALES**

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. **BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES**

- 4.1 The Children in Care Council continues to meet on a monthly basis and has now completed their short video as part of a piece of work they have been involved in from the regional Children in Care Council network. It is hoped that it will be ready to share across the region in February 2019.
- 4.2 Following the action for the Children in Care Council from the September informal Corporate Parenting meeting we have requested and received from Ofsted the young people's summary of inspection. The Chair of the Children in Care Council has written a letter to accompany this which will be sent out to all children in care shortly.
- 4.3 Work is well underway for the Children in Care awards events, and young people have been involved in evaluating and making recommendations for improvements for the 2019 awards events. Nomination forms have been circulated to all staff and we are already starting to collate awards. This process also allows staff to identify if a monthly award is needed as well as highlighting achievements for the annual awards event. Dates and details for both events will be circulated to all committee members in due course.
- 4.4 The Children in Charge youth group has welcomed 3 new members with the regular attendance of 10 young people and this continues to meet every two weeks, with young people taking an active role in planning future sessions. They are currently planning their Christmas party and would like to invite members to attend. Dates and details will be circulated.
- 4.5 The Children in Care Participation worker, Alice Prosser, is now supporting the Care Leavers drop in that is run by Rights Resolution and through building relationships with young people at the drop in here, has generated renewed interest in attending the Children in Care Council by a number of care leavers.
- 4.6 The participation worker also recently accompanied two care leavers to attend an event in Birmingham held by the National Care Leavers Benchmarking Forum. This was an excellent opportunity to share good practice and explore key themes for Care Leavers and will help to inform some of our own work going forward. One of the key areas of work we will be progressing, in conjunction with the new apprentice resource worker in TACT, will be consulting with young people on creating a passport to independence resource with workshops and training to support young people's development and readiness for independent living.

5. **CONSULTATION**

- 5.1 This report was completed in consultation with members of the Children in Care Council.

6. **ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT**

- 6.1 Improved engagement with Children in Care and Care Leavers.

7. **REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION**

- 7.1 N/A

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 8.1 *List here alternative options considered and rejected and reasons for rejection. Do not leave this section blank or put 'None' - this is not acceptable as these options will need to be included*

in any subsequent decision notice published. The status quo is an alternative option to address even if there are no others to report.

9. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

9.1 There are no financial implications.

Legal Implications

9.2 There are no legal implications, as the report is for information only.

Equalities Implications

9.3 Participation is an essential service for children in care and care leavers and this report 60 demonstrates the level of participation in various events and activities.

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

10.1 N/A

11. APPENDICES

11.1 N/A

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CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 7
21 NOVEMBER 2018	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Executive Director People and Communities Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Councils	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Sam Smith, Cabinet Member for Children's Services.	
Contact Officer(s):	Dee Glover	Tel. 07917133152

INTERIM REPORT PETERBOROUGH VIRTUAL SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN IN CARE

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM: Nicola Curley Assistant Director Children's Services	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that the Corporate Parenting Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notes the content of the report. • Raise any queries they have with the lead officer. 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 The Virtual School for CIC report is presented annually to Corporate Parenting Committee. This is an interim report and the final report will be presented to Corporate Parenting Committee in March 2019.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to provide information on the attainment of pupils at key stages in 2018 , pupils not in full time education and children with Education , Health Care Plans (EHCPs)
- 2.2 This report is for Corporate Parenting Committee to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 2.4.4.6 c Promote the development of participation and ensure that the view of children and young people are regularly heard through the Corporate Parenting Committee to improve educational, health and social outcomes to raise aspiration and attainments.
- 2.3 This links to the Children in Care Pledge under:
1. **Respect** - We will respect you as individuals, with differing wants, needs and beliefs and tailor the service you get to fit you.

3. **TIMESCALES**

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. **BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES**

4.1 **Educational Attainment 2018** .

PVS has collated data retrieved from schools regarding attainment at EYFSP, Phonics Check KS1,KS2,KS4 and KS5. This is raw , unvalidated data and should be taken as an indicator until validated data is released by DfE in March 2019 at which point there will be comparative national,statistical neighbour and eastern region data. This will be included in the PVS Annual Report to be presented at the end of March . This year an additional report,including comparisons for 2017 was available in May .

The attainment of each child on the PVS roll is monitored through the PEP process with data provided by schools every term . PVS staff rag rate children according to need and ensure appropriate interventions are in place either by PVS specialist teachers or the child's school to support a child to achieve.

EYFSP (Early Years Foundation Stage Profile) 3 children, 2 with EHCP for complex health and learning needs,

GLD 33% (The other 2 children have an EHCP for complex health and learning needs)

Phonics Check - 2 children both out of city

Pass = 50%

KS1 – 6 children , 3 out of city , 1 with an EHCP

Expected or better Reading = 83%

Expected or better Writing = 50%

Expected or better Maths = 50%

There is significant improvement in all subject areas.

KS2 - 18 children , 15 out of city , 9 with an EHCP ,

ARE - Reading =39%

ARE - Writing = 39%

ARE - Maths = 39%

5. **CONSULTATION**

5.1 N/A

6. **ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT**

6.1 Corporate Parenting Committee members have an interim report on the attainment of CiC, as well as the issues that can inhibit progress, for example periods out of education, reduced timetables and the emotional well being of children. This ensures that Committee members are informed, but can also challenge where necessary.

7. **REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION**

7.1 Corporate Parenting Committee requested an interim report.

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

8.1 N/A

9. **IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 **Financial Implications**

None

9.2 **Legal Implications**

None

9.3 **Equalities Implications**

N/A

9.4 **Other Implications**

This report provides clear information on the current attainment of children in care.

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

10.1 None

11. APPENDICES

11.1 None

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CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 8
21 NOVEMBER 2018	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Corporate Director People and Communities	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Sam Smith, Cabinet Member for Children's Services.	
Contact Officer(s):	Graham Puckering Head of Service 0 – 25	Tel. 207242

0 – 25 SERVICE REPORT

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: Assistant Director Children's Social Care	Deadline date:
<p>It is recommended that the Corporate Parenting Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notes the content of the report, and • Raise any queries they have with the lead officers. 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report is submitted to Corporate Parenting Committee following a request by the committee chair.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 This report has been requested by Corporate Parenting Committee to update in respect of health for children and young people with disabilities who are looked after by Peterborough City Council or are Care Leavers and identified as having Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND).

- 2.2 This report is for Corporate Parenting Committee to consider under its Terms of Reference

2.4.4.2 To receive statutory reports in relation to the adoption, fostering, commissioning, looked after children services and children's homes with a view to recommending any changes.

- 2.3 This report links in with all aspects of the Children in Care Pledge.

3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 4.1 In line with the SEND Reforms under the Children and Families Act 2014, Peterborough's 0-25 Disability Service provides a specialist service with both statutory and discretionary

responsibilities for disabled children and young people defined as Children in Need, Children in Need of Protection or Children who require Local Authority care. The team also has statutory and discretionary responsibilities for young people transitioning to adulthood, applying a national eligibility criteria threshold defined by the Care Act 2014.

- 4.2 The legal definition of disability in this context stems from Section 17(11) of the Children Act 1989, where a child “is disabled if he is blind, deaf or dumb, or suffers from mental disorder of any kind or is substantially and permanently handicapped by illness, injury or congenital deformity or such other disability as may be prescribed”.
- 4.3 The Team works across two service areas with one focussing on transition of young people aged 14 to 18 and another on children aged 0-18. Both teams work closely under the Children and Families Act and The Care Act.
- 4.4 The Care Act promotes the transition of children to adult care and support services. The service aims to move a young person into work/adult life in such a way as to promote his or her independence and so reduce his or her long term needs for care and support. The team considers the needs of the person, what needs he or she is likely to have when he or she reaches 18, and the outcomes he or she want to achieve in life.
- 4.5 This service provides children and families with a range of short breaks and overnight short breaks. The service promotes short breaks and follows the suggested guidance as set out in the Short Breaks: Statutory Guidance March 2010 on how to promote and safeguard the welfare of disabled children using short breaks. Some of these young people will be classified as Looked After because of the number of overnights they receive in a year.

4.6 **KEY ISSUES**

- 4.6.1 This report relates to the education of young people within the 0-25 service who are Looked After. Children and young people in the service are looked after under two broad frameworks. There are those who are in full time care and those who are Looked After by nature of their short breaks. These would be children who have more than 75 overnights per year. It is of note that there are other children and young people in care within the wider children’s social care service who are also subject to SEND processes.
- 4.6.2 There are currently 35 young people who are in care or are care leavers within the 0-25 service; 13 fully looked after children/young people, 12 care leavers across the service and 8 children looked after through short breaks. All of the children and young people in the 0-25 service are subject to Education Health and Care plans (EHC plans).
- 4.6.3 All the children and young people Looked After by Peterborough within the 0-25 service have an identified physical or learning disability. The vast majority of the children and young people are in specialist schools and provisions or attending specialist provision within colleges.
- 4.6.4 With regard to young people leaving care, all young people have an identified personal advisor who offers advice, support and guidance to them including in areas of education, learning and employment. Young people are supported through the pathway plan and the Personal education plans in ensuring their education needs are fully met and these are followed through in the EHCP plans.
- 4.6.5 Many of the children and young people within the 0-25 service have complex needs and disabilities. Some the children and young people may have learning and/or physical disabilities with some with Autistic Spectrum conditions. There are also some Children in Care with life limiting conditions.
- 4.6.6 Complex packages of care and support are provided to Children in Care and care leavers. These packages of care address health, social care and education needs. Some packages are joint funded with other agencies. Education contribute to specialist placements for a

number of the Looked After children.

- 4.6.7 Work is ongoing with Education with regard to working more effectively in meeting the needs of children and young people with complex needs. Education is considered in all transition work and planning, and needs are met through effective progression from schools and education services.

5. CONSULTATION

- 5.1 N/A

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

- 6.1 Report is for information update.

7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 7.1 N/A

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 8.1 N/A

9. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

- 9.1 There are no financial implications, as the report is for information only.

Legal Implications

- 9.2 There are no direct legal implications, as the report is for information only. References are made to legislation as necessary by way of explanation.

Equalities Implications

- 9.3 None

Other Implications

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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- 10.1 None

11. APPENDICES

- 11.1 None

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CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 9
21 NOVEMBER 2018	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Executive Director People and Communities	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Cllr Lynne Ayres, Cabinet Member for Adult Services	
Contact Officer(s):	Pat Carrington Mohamed Sarfraz	Tel. 01733 293891 07920 160243

WORK & TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE MOVING ON FROM CARE

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM: Pat Carrington Mohammed Sarfraz - Post 16 Coordinator Children in Care, Virtual School.	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that Corporate Parenting Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the content of the Report 2. Raise any queries with the lead officers 3. Make any recommendations 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report is submitted to Corporate Parenting Committee as part of the scheduled work for 2018 and as requested by the Chair.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the committee on progress on the Work & Training Opportunities for Young people moving on from care.
- 2.2 This report is for Corporate Parenting Committee to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 2.4.4.6 Promote the development of participation and ensure that the view of children and young people are regularly heard through the Corporate Parenting Committee to improve educational, health and social outcomes to raise aspiration and attainments.
- 2.3 This links into all areas of the pledge.

3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

4.1 This report is to update on the progress of supporting young people in care or care leavers towards sustainable education, training and employment, offering opportunity for career pathways.

- 4.1.1 There are two areas on which to report on.
- i. PCC commitment to work based routes and apprenticeships within PCC
 - ii. The current study of situation of Children in Care (CIC) and Care Leavers.

PCC commitment to work based routes and apprenticeships within PCC

PCC HR department are working with the Virtual school and City College Peterborough to identify opportunities. These include the following, which have also been recorded as a priority in PCC Ofsted Action Plan for CIC and Care Leavers. These actions are shown below:

Priority 16: To develop apprenticeships and other work-based routes for young people leaving care						
PCC to have produced an Apprenticeship strategy with actions to prioritise care leavers.	4 th October	Produced		4 th October		
Strategy and governance framework to be approved by CMT	10 th October	Approved		10 th October		
To ringfence new level 2 and 3 apprenticeships for care leavers which will support the councils corporate parenting responsibilities and the local offer for care leavers requirements		Numbers that take up an apprenticeship				
City College Peterborough to offer traineeships, study programmes and internships as part of their offer		Blue book				
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In addition to this PCC HR are in the process of launching a Care Leaver Covenant in line with the Children and Social Work Act 2017 to compliment the local offer. This is a nationally commissioned service through Spectra.

4.1.2 The current study situation of Children in Care (CIC) and Care Leavers.

The below gives the breakdown of where Peterborough children in care and care leavers are studying. There are some significant good news stories and worthy of mentioning are that we have 3 young care leavers currently starting at University, bringing the total to 11 which is the highest Peterborough has ever had. this reflects the aspiration and encouragement from the service as a whole.

The figures are reported below in three categories:

- Children in Care (aged between 16-18)
- Young people just left care
- Care leavers (18 plus)

4.1.2.1 **Children in Care**

Currently there are a number of young people that are in care already studying or training at post-16 (16-18-year olds). The breakdown is below:

91 young people in care of which 15 are NEET (5 of these have been either been withdrawn or excluded from colleges. 1 is expecting a baby) and 3 are unknowns who are new to care, of the remaining:

- 6 are studying at City College vocational training with opportunities for work experience.
- 29 are at Peterborough Regional College
- 6 are at Peterborough 6th form (of which 4 mainstream and 2 special schools)
- 27 are at out of area colleges
- 2 are at out of area 6th form college
- 1 is at alternative provision out of area
- 2 are in custody receiving education

4.2.1.2 **Young people just left care.**

12 have just left care (Year 13 - not included in the above) of which 1 is NEET and the breakdown of the remainder is shown below:

- 1 is studying at City College Peterborough vocational training with opportunities for work experience.
- 4 are at Peterborough Regional College
- 3 are at Peterborough 6th forms (of which 2 mainstream and 1 special schools)
- 2 are at out of area college
- 1 is in alternative provision out of area

4.2.1.3 **Care leavers**

The cohort of care leavers, that are year 14 (Post 18) is 60 out of these:

- 2 care leavers are studying at City College Peterborough programmes that include work experience opportunities
- 19 are studying a range of vocational subjects at Peterborough Regional College (including a supported internship)
- 2 are at De Montfort University
- 1 is at University of Sheffield
- 17 are at other positive destinations
- 2 are studying apprenticeships

This leaves 3 NEET and 14 not known in terms of their post 18 destinations.

5. **CONSULTATION**

5.1 Councillor Lynn Ayres Corporate Parenting Champion

6. **ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT**

6.1 Although there are some examples above of positive destinations and impact, there are still some areas to develop, these can be progressed by implementation of the following actions:

- Identification of the NEETs and/or Unknown from the data for both areas (16-18 LAC and 18 plus Care Leaver)
- Work with the young people to identify their career aspirations
- Work with PCC HR to identify opportunities
- Work with providers to source appropriate bespoke programmes
- Case Study positive outcomes
- Develop further the local offer

7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 7.1 To improve service provision to ensure to give our Looked after children and care leavers the best opportunity to develop their long term career pathways

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 8.1 Alternative options are: to do nothing and allow recruitment of apprenticeship for LAC or Care Leavers to happen organically.

This is a risky option as apprenticeships are on the decline nationally and without this form of intervention it is envisioned that the young people would not be able to access an offer that would support them into sustainable training and career pathways.

9. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

- 9.1 *None*

Legal Implications

- 9.2 There are no direct legal implications as the report is to provide information as to how Children's Services intend to support care leavers, as required by legislation relating to care leavers.

Equalities Implications

- 9.3 This will allow progress towards supporting a vulnerable groups to long term sustainable education, training and work

Other Implications

- 9.4 This will provide additional support for young people in care or care leavers towards sustainable education, training and employment, and offering opportunity for career pathways.

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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11. APPENDICES

None.

CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 10
21 NOVEMBER 2018	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Executive Director People and Communities	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Sam Smith, Cabinet Member for Children's Services	
Contact Officer(s):	Jenny Goodes, Head of Service	Tel. 01480 379794

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM: Nicola Curley, Assistant Director Children's Services	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that the Corporate Parenting Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to note the update and information. 	

Missing and Child Exploitation Update

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

This report is presented yearly to Corporate Parenting Committee.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 Report requested by Corporate Parenting Committee to update in respect of current situation around children and young people who go missing and children and young people who are vulnerable to Child Sexual Exploitation.

2.2 This report is being presented under the Corporate Parenting Committee Terms of Reference:

2.3 2.4.3.2 To receive statutory reports in relation to the adoption, fostering, commissioning, looked after children (LAC) services and children's homes with a view to recommending any changes.

This report links in with all aspects of the Children in Care Pledge.

3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. BACKGROUND

4.1 Child sexual exploitation can have a devastating impact on the social integration, economic well-being and life chances of young people. Difficulties faced by victims of child sexual exploitation include isolation from family and friends, teenage parenthood, failing examinations or dropping out of education altogether, unemployment, mental

health problems, suicide attempts, alcohol and drug addiction, aggressive behaviour and criminal activity. Child sexual exploitation can also have a profoundly damaging effect on families and communities.

- 4.2 Within Peterborough Child Sexual Exploitation is managed as part of the day to day safeguarding responsibility of the Local Authority. This means that all staff have the opportunity to develop their skills, knowledge and experience in this area and ensures that there is ownership of the wider issues that contribute to children and young people being vulnerable to exploitation.
- 4.3 At the time of writing this report within Peterborough there were 24 young people flagged as at risk of sexual exploitation. Of these 22 were female and 2 were male. Of the 24 cases flagged as at risk of CSE 9 were young people who were looked after, 11 were children in need and 4 were child protection. 15 of the young people identified as being at risk of CSE also have had episodes of going missing. The age range of those young people flagged on the system were in the age group 14- 17 year old.
- 4.4 Each of these cases are allocated to a qualified social worker and work is undertaken to enable the young person and their family to engage with services that will help to reduce their vulnerability to being exploited. Building a relationship with these young people can take time and it is important that there is the capacity to be available at times when they need help or are willing to share what may be happening.
- 4.5 There is a multi-agency operational meeting MACE (Missing and Child Exploitation) held on a monthly basis to share information across professions and review intelligence to ensure that those young people most at risk are identified and that clear plans are put in place to mitigate the risks. There is a joint Peterborough /Cambridge Strategic Exploitation meeting that meets every quarter and has the overview of the multi- agency Child Exploitation action plan.
- 4.6 **Missing**
- 4.6.1 Children who are missing from home, school or care are at greater risk of exploitation. Within Peterborough the Head of Service for the Integrated Front Door is the strategic lead for Missing and Child Exploitation and is supported operationally by the Group Manager Safeguarding. Children's Services are alerted to missing incidents by the police. The data is updated on a weekly basis with a dedicated missing co-ordinator who undertakes return home interviews within 72 hours.
- 4.6.2 For those young people in care who are placed outside of the LA boundary, the social worker and MASH are alerted by the care provider. NYAS (National Youth Advisory Service) undertake the Return Home Interviews with all young people in care. Since March 2015 there has been a dedicated Missing Case Worker in post who undertakes all Return Home Interviews with those young people that live at home who go missing.
- 4.6.3 A Return Interview should be held within 72 hours of the young person being located. If a young person is placed in Peterborough by another local authority the missing coordinator will notify them of the missing/found episodes and the responsible local authority will arrange the return interview.
- 4.6.4 During the reporting period April 2017 – March 2018 there were 568 missing episodes reported. This related to 302 children and young people. This is a decrease from the previous reporting period.
- 4.6.5 CLA missing episodes for 2017-18 is 309 incidents 54% this relates to (86 children)
CP missing episodes for 2017-18 is 78 incidents 14% this relates to (35 children)
CIN missing episodes for 2017-18 is 187 incidents 32% this relates to (61 children)
- 4.6.6 The profile of children and young people going missing for 2017-18 is that males

present as missing on more occasions than females with white British being the largest group of children and young people being recorded as being missing.

4.6.7 Analysis of the above data indicates that 182 children and young people were known to Children's Services at the time of the missing episode. Each of these children and young people will have an initial risk assessment completed to screen for any additional risk factors such as CSE or criminal exploitation. This information supports the development of a multi- agency response to safeguarding that child/ young person.

4.6.8 The largest cohort of children who went missing (120) were children who were not known to Children's Services and not those children who are Looked After, although they can be more vulnerable when they are missing. Children in care provided a variety of reasons for their missing episode from staying at a friend's home and not telling their carer where they were, wanting to see their family, falling out with carers, wanting to spend more time with friends to those who were actively being exploited and going missing as a result. All foster carers and residential homes are well trained in this area of safeguarding and are alert to the associated risks. This means that they report missing episodes promptly, work with police to put trigger plans in place for those most at risk and ensure that safety planning is updated and robust.

5. KEY ISSUES

5.1 The Ofsted Inspection in the summer identified the following:

5.1.1 "Responses to children who go missing or who are at risk of exploitation are timely and they are closely tracked by a lead manager and missing coordinator. When risks escalate, strategy meetings are held, with appropriate professionals in attendance."

5.1.2 Ofsted identified that "Children who go missing are now routinely offered an opportunity to speak to an independent person about their reasons for going missing. Most return interviews demonstrate detailed discussions with young people and they identify risk factors. This information is appropriately shared and used well to inform multi-agency planning. Ofsted did note that for those young people in care at high risk there was limited evidence of risk reduction due to the lack of success in engaging them in return home interviews.

5.1.3 They felt that "practice around the use of specialist risk assessments, was not yet consistent and some lacked meaningful analysis" and they felt that in a minority of cases that decisive action should have been taken sooner.

5.1.4 Further to this Ofsted confirmed that "recent practice to support children at high risk of sexual or criminal exploitation was resulting in effective interventions" which has "reduced their exposure to further harm".

5.1.5 In light of this feedback and in line with the desire to improve the effectiveness and consistency of the response to both children who go missing and children who are at risk of exploitation there are plans in place to move the responsibility of this work to the Met Hub which is located at Chord Park, Godmanchester under the line management of the Integrated Front Door.

6. CONSULTATION

6.1 N/A

7. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

7.1 N/A

8. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

8.1 Corporate Parenting Committee members have a duty to review performance of Children's Social Care.

9. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

9.1 N/A

10. IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Financial Implications

There are no financial implications as this report is for noting only.

10.2 Legal Implications

There are no legal implications as this report is for noting only and provides factual information.

10.3 Equalities Implications

None

10.4 Other Implications

None

11. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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11.1 N/A

12. APPENDICES

12.1 None

CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 11a
21 NOVEMBER 2018	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Executive Director People and Communities Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Councils	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Sam Smith, Cabinet Member for Children's Services.	
Contact Officer(s):	Nicola Curley, Assistant Director Children's Social Care	Tel. 864065

CHILDREN IN CARE AND CARE LEAVERS PERFORMANCE REPORT SEPTEMBER 2018

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM: Assistant Director Children's Services	Deadline date: N/A
It is recommended that the Corporate Parenting Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notes the content of the report; and • Raise any queries they have with the lead officers. 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 This report is submitted to each formal and informal Corporate Parenting Committee.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 To update the Corporate Parenting Committee in respect of the numbers of children and young people currently being looked after by the Council and to provide a breakdown of the types of placements in which they are living. The report also provides information about the age, gender and ethnicity of those children and young people.

2.2 This report is for Corporate Parenting Committee to consider under its Terms of Reference No.

2.4.4.2 To receive statutory reports in relation to the adoption, fostering, commissioning, looked after children services and children's homes with a view to recommending any changes.

2.4.4.6 To monitor the quality of care delivered by the City Council and review the performance of outcomes for children and young people in care.

2.3 This links into the Children in Care Pledge under:

Respect - We will respect you as individuals, with differing wants, needs and beliefs and tailor the service you get to fit you.

3. **TIMESCALES**

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. **BACKGROUND**

4.1 On the 30 September 2018 there were 370 Children in Care in Peterborough:

- 144 children were placed with foster carers who work for TACT (The Adolescent and Children’s Trust), and provide foster care through our strategic partnership.
- 117 children were in foster care and placed with independent fostering agencies (IFA’S). The agency works with the Local Authority on a contractual basis to provide foster placements.
- 41 post 16 years olds were living on their own (independent living) but still classed as CIC with an allocated Social Worker. Independent living assists the young person with the transition to leaving care. These young people are supported by our Leaving Care Service.
- 6 children had a court order (Placement Order) that allows them to live with their prospective adoptive parents whilst they are awaiting a final Adoption Order.
- 16 children were placed with family or friends carers (connected person). These carers are formally assessed in the same way that our other in house carers are assessed and are presented to the Fostering Panel for approval in the same way. They are paid the same level of allowances as other in house foster carers.
- 6 children were living with their parents but were still considered ‘looked after’ because they are subject to a full care order so the Council still shares parental responsibility with the birth parent. Placements with parents are often made pending a plan for reunification with the parent and in some cases will result in an application for care orders to be discharged.
- 29 children and young people (without disabilities) were placed in residential care that provides intensive support in a residential setting. These placements are most usually made when it is clear that foster care is not sufficient to meet the child or young person’s needs. Residential care is nearly always accessed by adolescents and only rarely used for younger children in very special circumstances.
- 1 child (with disabilities) was placed in specialist residential care. This disabled child will have complex health and behavioural needs associated with their disability. As above these placements are only used when all other types of support to keep the child at home or in foster care have been exhausted.
- There was 1 young person placed in a secure unit, and 9 young people were in YOI.

4.2 Children in Care Profile

	Sep-17	Dec-17	Mar-18	Jun-18	Sep-18
Children looked after	373	356	353	381	370

Age

Under 1	16	23	18	20	19
1 to 4	21	18	23	29	34
5 to 9	68	67	68	71	65
10 to 15	159	149	146	157	156
16-17	106	99	98	104	96
18 or over	3	0	0	0	4

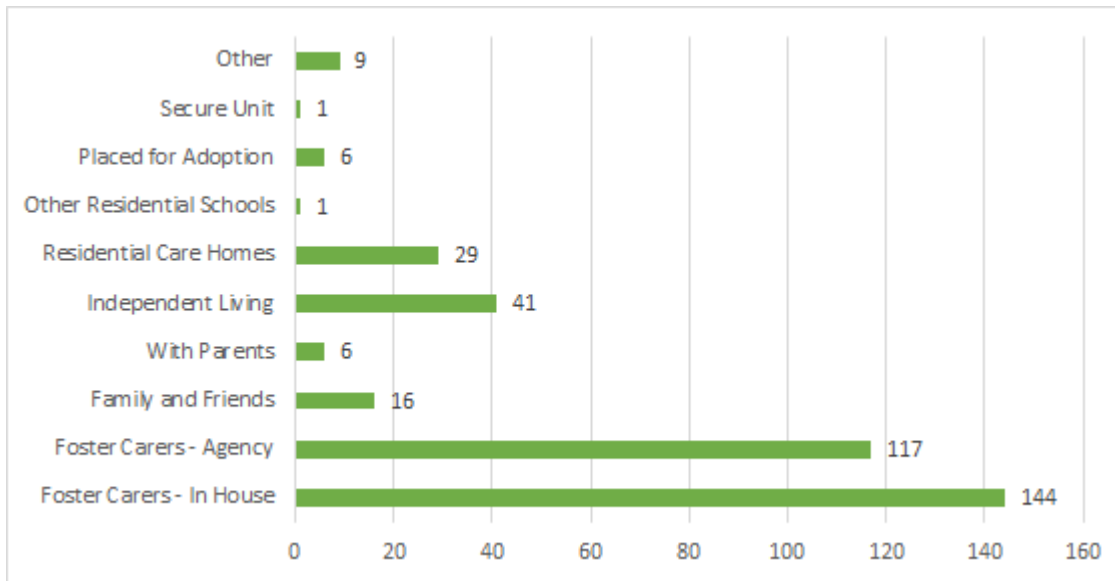
Gender

Male	213	204	202	215	207
Female	160	152	150	166	167
Undefined			1	0	0

Ethnicity

White British	224	223	226	239	229
White Irish	0	0	0	0	0
White Other	41	34	34	40	43
White	269	257	260	279	272
Mixed White & Black Caribbean	3	4	4	5	5
Mixed White & Black African	4	3	3	4	5
Mixed White & Asian	21	20	19	20	16
Any other mixed background	16	15	15	17	17
Mixed	45	42	41	46	43
Indian	1	1	1	0	0
Pakistani	7	7	7	12	11
Bangladeshi	0	0	0	0	1
Any other Asian background	19	17	13	17	16
Asian	24	25	21	29	28
Caribbean	2	2	2	2	2
African	15	13	13	10	12
Any other Black background	8	7	8	8	8
Black	23	22	23	20	22
Chinese	0	0	0	0	0
Any other ethnic group	6	6	3	5	5
Other	6	6	3	5	5
Not stated / not yet obtained	4	4	5	2	4

4.3 Children in Care Placements



5. CONSULTATION

5.1 N/A

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

6.1 N/A

7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

7.1 Corporate Parenting Committee members have a duty to review performance of Children's Social Care.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

8.1 N/A

9. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

9.1 The rising number of LAC children and availability of suitable placements is placing significant pressure on the placement budget which is currently reporting a £3.9m overspend in year and future years if this situation remains the same.

Legal Implications

9.2 None

Equalities Implications

9.3 None

Other Implications

9.4 Performance data is key to allow Committee Members to address and challenge issues relating to care leavers and children in care.

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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10.1 N/A

11. APPENDICES

11.1 Appendix 1 – CIC Performance Report September 2018

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Monthly Performance Report

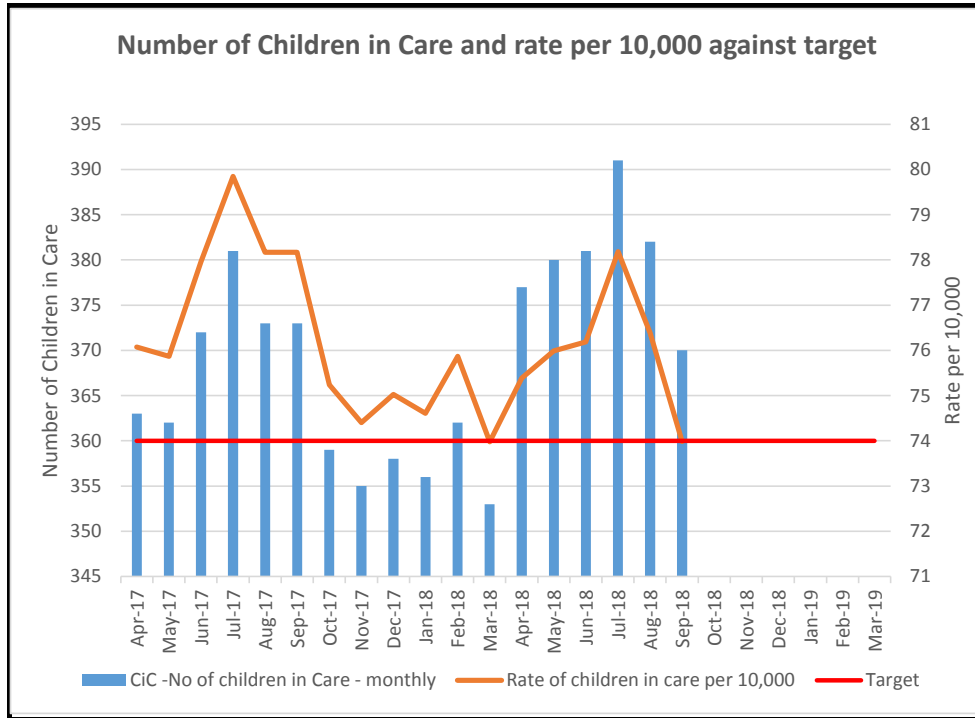
Sep-18

Peterborough Children's Services

"Change together for children"



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Month	CIC -	Pop.	Rate of	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	363	47715	76.1	74.0	2.8%	A
May-17	362	47715	75.9	74.0	2.5%	A
Jun-17	372	47715	78.0	74.0	5.4%	R
Jul-17	381	47715	79.8	74.0	7.9%	R
Aug-17	373	47715	78.2	74.0	5.6%	R
Sep-17	373	47715	78.2	74.0	5.6%	R
Oct-17	359	47715	75.2	74.0	1.7%	A
Nov-17	355	47715	74.4	74.0	0.5%	A
Dec-17	358	47715	75.0	74.0	1.4%	A
Jan-18	356	47715	74.6	74.0	0.8%	A
Feb-18	362	47715	75.9	74.0	2.5%	A
Mar-18	353	47715	74.0	74.0	0.0%	A
Apr-18	377	50009	75.4	74.0	1.9%	R
May-18	380	50009	76.0	74.0	2.7%	R
Jun-18	381	50009	76.2	74.0	3.0%	R
Jul-18	391	50009	78.2	74.0	5.7%	R
Aug-18	382	50009	76.4	74.0	3.2%	R
Sep-18	370	50009	74.0	74.0	0.0%	R
Oct-18				74.0		
Nov-18				74.0		
Dec-18				74.0		
Jan-19				74.0		
Feb-19				74.0		
Mar-19				74.0		

CSC Commentary

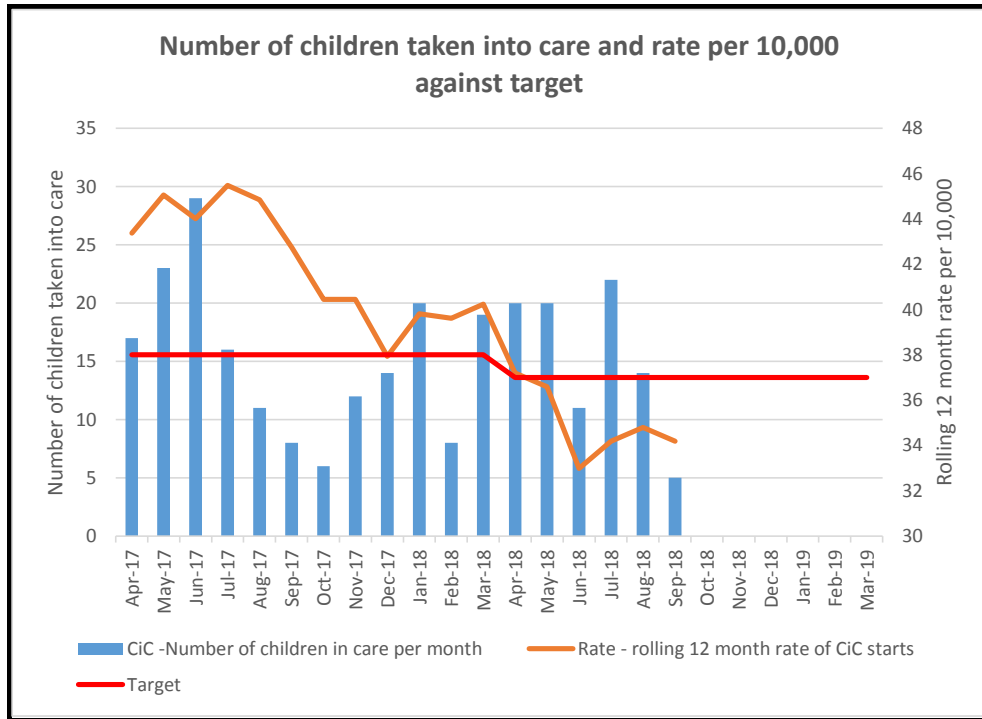
The number of children in care per 10,000 of the population reduced by 12 children this month. However, the indicator remains in the red for the 6 month in a row. Internal analysis for the sudden drop links to a change in the cohort of children being accommodated. The large sibling groups over the last few months have moved from being looked after to alternative placement types. This month has been smaller sibling groups and individual children being accommodated.

Definition

Number of children in care divided by the population of 0-17 year olds in Peterborough multiplied by 10,000
 The number of children in care is taken as a snapshot count at the end of each month
 Population for denominator: 50009

G <=350	A>351-365	R>365
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Year	PCC Result	SN Result	ENG Result
2014-15	73	79	60
2015-16	75	80	60
2016-17	73	82	62



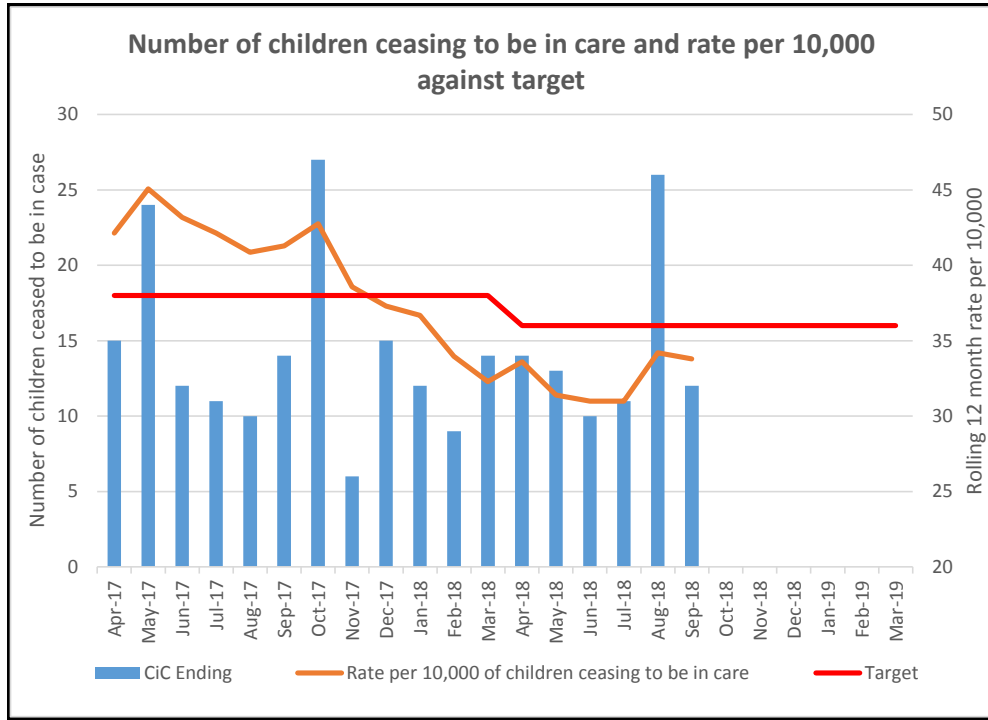
Month	CiC -	12 Mths	Rate	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	17	207	43.4	38.0	14.2%	A
May-17	23	215	45.1	38.0	18.6%	A
Jun-17	29	210	44.0	38.0	15.8%	A
Jul-17	16	217	45.5	38.0	19.7%	A
Aug-17	11	214	44.8	38.0	18.0%	A
Sep-17	8	204	42.8	38.0	12.5%	A
Oct-17	6	193	40.4	38.0	6.4%	A
Nov-17	12	193	40.4	38.0	6.4%	A
Dec-17	14	181	37.9	38.0	-0.2%	A
Jan-18	20	190	39.8	38.0	4.8%	A
Feb-18	8	189	39.6	38.0	4.2%	A
Mar-18	19	192	40.2	38.0	5.9%	A
Apr-18	20	186	37.2	37.0	0.5%	G
May-18	20	183	36.6	37.0	-1.1%	G
Jun-18	11	165	33.0	37.0	-10.8%	G
Jul-18	22	171	34.2	37.0	-7.6%	G
Aug-18	14	174	34.8	37.0	-6.0%	G
Sep-18	5	171	34.2	37.0	-7.6%	G
Oct-18				37.0		
Nov-18				37.0		
Dec-18				37.0		
Jan-19				37.0		
Feb-19				37.0		
Mar-19				37.0		

CSC Commentary
 Admissions per 10,000 for September saw the numbers of children becoming looked after decrease by 9 on the previous month. Analysis of the data for this month indicates an increase overall in children being accommodated per 10,000. The data indicates continued volatility in this area, although it remains in the green with an increase of 1.6% on the previous month.

Definition
 Children who came into care (rolling 12 months) divided by the population of 0-17 year olds in Peterborough multiplied by 10,000. If a child is admitted to care on more than one occasion then each time is counted in this indicator.
 Population for denominator: 50009

G =37 +/-5 A=42> R=<32

Year	PCC Result	SN Result	ENG Result
2014-15	31	34	27
2015-16	42	31	28
2016-17	37	33	28



Month	CiC Ending	12 Mths	Children ceasing to be in care	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	15	201	42.1	38.0	10.9%	A
May-17	24	215	45.1	38.0	18.6%	A
Jun-17	12	206	43.2	38.0	13.6%	A
Jul-17	11	201	42.1	38.0	10.9%	A
Aug-17	10	195	40.9	38.0	7.5%	A
Sep-17	14	197	41.3	38.0	8.6%	A
Oct-17	27	204	42.8	38.0	12.5%	A
Nov-17	6	184	38.6	38.0	1.5%	A
Dec-17	15	178	37.3	38.0	-1.8%	A
Jan-18	12	175	36.7	38.0	-3.5%	A
Feb-18	9	162	34.0	38.0	-10.7%	A
Mar-18	14	154	32.3	38.0	-15.1%	A
Apr-18	14	168	33.6	36.0	-6.7%	A
May-18	13	157	31.4	36.0	-12.8%	A
Jun-18	10	155	31.0	36.0	-13.9%	A
Jul-18	11	155	31.0	36.0	-13.9%	R
Aug-18	26	171	34.2	36.0	-5.0%	A
Sep-18	12	169	33.8	36.0	-6.1%	A
Oct-18				36.0		
Nov-18				36.0		
Dec-18				36.0		
Jan-19				36.0		
Feb-19				36.0		
Mar-19				36.0		

CSC Commentary

The actual number is a reduction of 12 from last month's data. The percentage has reduced this month by 0.9% from the previous month, but still moving in the right trajectory. In assessing the data overall the actual figures of children ceasing to be accommodated since April is 86

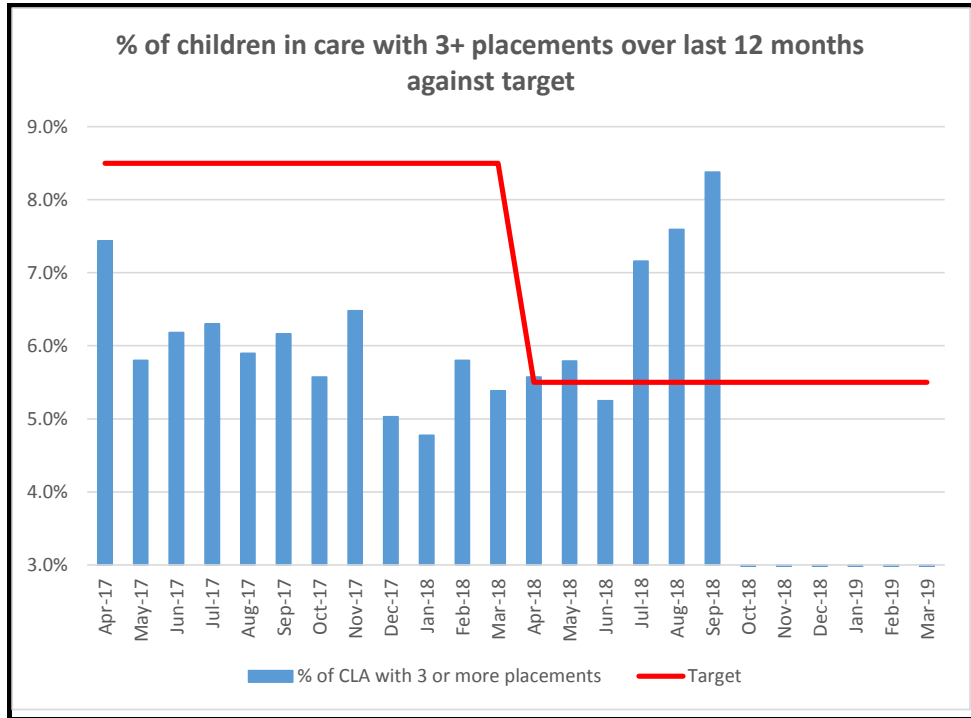
Definition

Number of children who ceased to be in care (rolling 12 months) divided by the population of 0-17 year olds in Peterborough multiplied by 10,000. If a child ceased to be in care on more than one occasion then each time is counted in this indicator.

Population for denominator: 50009

G=36 +/-5 A=42-31 R=<30

Year	PCC Result	SN Result	ENG Result
2014-15	36	32	27
2015-16	39	31	27
2016-17	38	31	27



Month	Num.	Denom.	% of CLA with	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	27	363	7.4%	8.5%	-1.1	G
May-17	21	362	5.8%	8.5%	-2.7	G
Jun-17	23	372	6.2%	8.5%	-2.3	G
Jul-17	24	381	6.3%	8.5%	-2.2	G
Aug-17	22	373	5.9%	8.5%	-2.6	G
Sep-17	23	373	6.2%	8.5%	-2.3	G
Oct-17	20	359	5.6%	8.5%	-2.9	G
Nov-17	23	355	6.5%	8.5%	-2.0	G
Dec-17	18	358	5.0%	8.5%	-3.5	G
Jan-18	17	356	4.8%	8.5%	-3.7	G
Feb-18	21	362	5.8%	8.5%	-2.7	G
Mar-18	19	353	5.4%	8.5%	-3.1	G
Apr-18	21	377	5.6%	5.5%	0.1	A
May-18	22	380	5.8%	5.5%	0.3	A
Jun-18	20	381	5.2%	5.5%	-0.3	G
Jul-18	28	391	7.2%	5.5%	1.7	A
Aug-18	29	382	7.6%	5.5%	2.1	A
Sep-18	31	370	8.4%	5.5%	2.9	A
Oct-18				5.5%		
Nov-18				5.5%		
Dec-18				5.5%		
Jan-19				5.5%		
Feb-19				5.5%		
Mar-19				5.5%		

CSC Commentary

This target has decreased in performance by 0.8% this month. Internal processes to stabilise placements are working when assessing the data over the last 12 months, and when comparing the data with SN and England. This months data is showing some decrease but this is not a wide variance from the target of 5.5%. Continued monitoring and review of systems is supporting internal processes.

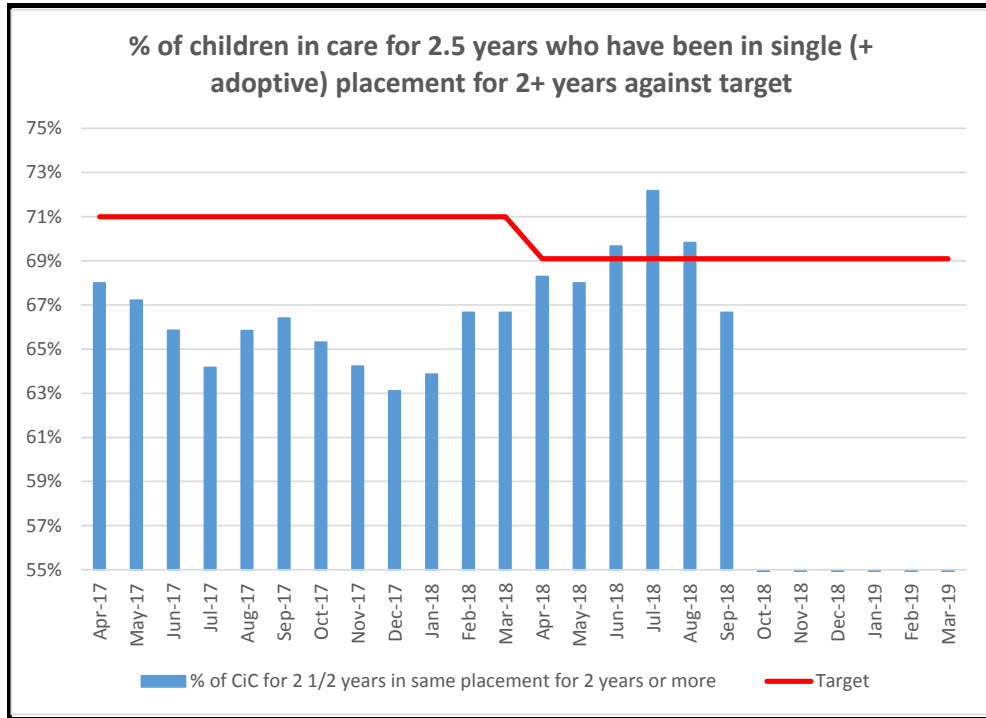
Definition

The percentage of children in care at any given time with three or more placements during the last 12 months.

Population for denominator: 46600

G <= 5.5	A > 5.6-9	R > 10
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Year	PCC Result	SN Result	ENG Result
2013-14	9%	11%	11%
2014-15	6%	10%	10%
2015-16	9%	10%	10%



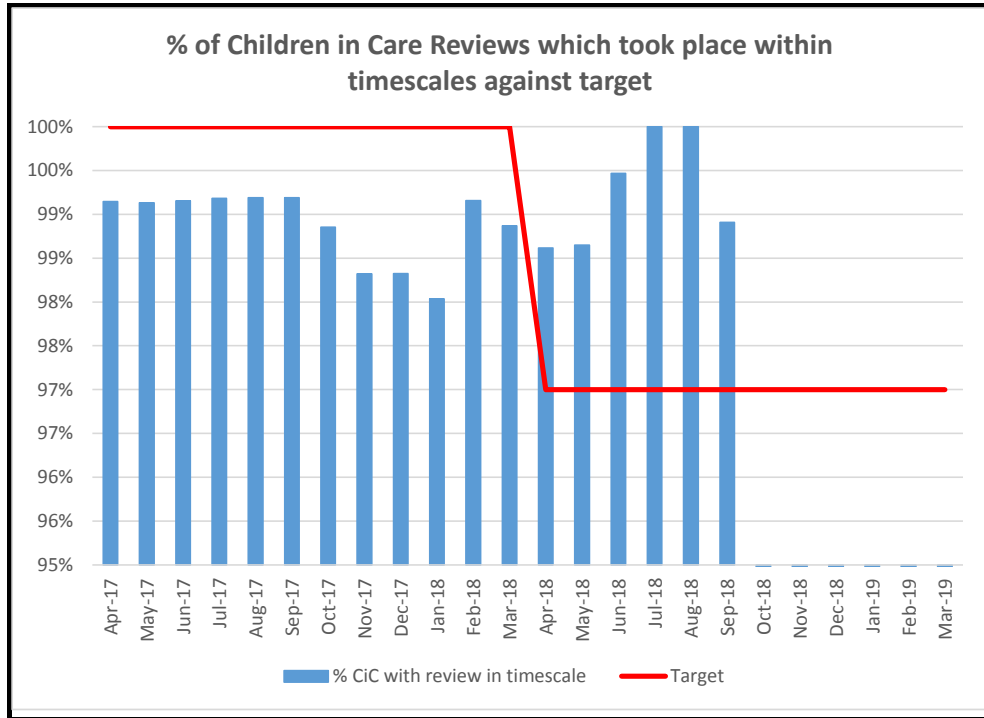
Month	Num.	Denom.	% of CiC	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	85	125	68.0%	71.0%	-3.0	R
May-17	82	122	67.2%	71.0%	-3.8	R
Jun-17	81	123	65.9%	71.0%	-5.1	R
Jul-17	77	120	64.2%	71.0%	-6.8	R
Aug-17	79	120	65.8%	71.0%	-5.2	R
Sep-17	83	125	66.4%	71.0%	-4.6	R
Oct-17	81	124	65.3%	71.0%	-5.7	R
Nov-17	79	123	64.2%	71.0%	-6.8	R
Dec-17	77	122	63.1%	71.0%	-7.9	R
Jan-18	76	119	63.9%	71.0%	-7.1	R
Feb-18	82	123	66.7%	71.0%	-4.3	A
Mar-18	82	123	66.7%	71.0%	-4.3	A
Apr-18	84	123	68.3%	69.1%	-0.8	A
May-18	85	125	68.0%	69.1%	-1.1	A
Jun-18	85	122	69.7%	69.1%	0.6	G
Jul-18	83	115	72.2%	69.1%	3.1	G
Aug-18	81	116	69.8%	69.1%	0.7	G
Sep-18	82	123	66.7%	69.1%	-2.4	A
Oct-18				69.1%		
Nov-18				69.1%		
Dec-18				69.1%		
Jan-19				69.1%		
Feb-19				69.1%		
Mar-19				69.1%		

CSC Commentary
 Placement stability for the month of September saw a decrease by 2.4% moving this indicator into Amber for the first time in 3 months. This is linked to planned step down's from residential placements which were anticipated.

Definition
 The percentage of children in care aged under 16 who had been in care continuously for at least 2.5 years who were living in the same placement for at least 2 years, or are placed for adoption and their adoptive placement together with their previous placement together last for at least 2 years.
 Population for denominator: 46600

G =69 A= 66-68 R=<65

Year	PCC Result	SN Result	ENG Result
2013-14	73%	69%	67%
2014-15	68%	69%	68%
2015-16	66%	69%	68%



Month	Num.	Denom.	% CiC	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	349	352	99.1%	100.0%	-0.9	A
May-17	343	346	99.1%	100.0%	-0.9	A
Jun-17	351	354	99.2%	100.0%	-0.8	A
Jul-17	364	367	99.2%	100.0%	-0.8	A
Aug-17	368	371	99.2%	100.0%	-0.8	A
Sep-17	368	371	99.2%	100.0%	-0.8	A
Oct-17	345	349	98.9%	100.0%	-1.1	A
Nov-17	351	357	98.3%	100.0%	-1.7	A
Dec-17	352	358	98.3%	100.0%	-1.7	A
Jan-18	349	356	98.0%	100.0%	-2.0	A
Feb-18	353	356	99.2%	100.0%	-0.8	A
Mar-18	350	354	98.9%	100.0%	-1.1	A
Apr-18	356	361	98.6%	97.0%	1.6	G
May-18	365	370	98.6%	97.0%	1.6	G
Jun-18	373	375	99.5%	97.0%	2.5	G
Jul-18	370	370	100.0%	97.0%	3.0	G
Aug-18	372	372	100.0%	97.0%	3.0	G
Sep-18	362	366	98.9%	97.0%	1.9	G
Oct-18				97.0%		
Nov-18				97.0%		
Dec-18				97.0%		
Jan-19				97.0%		
Feb-19				97.0%		
Mar-19				97.0%		

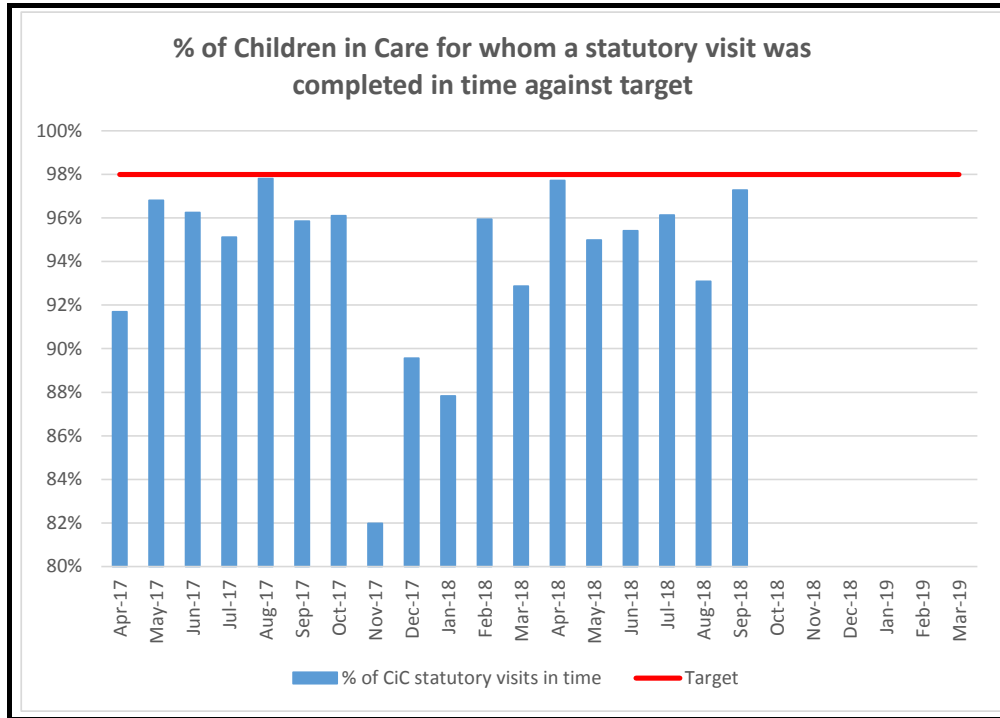
CSC Commentary

This target is calculated on a rolling year. The change in the overall target has occurred to demonstrate a more realistic approach as inevitably reviews are cancelled due to children being unwell, having other appointments and the needs of carers changing over the year. For the sixth month in a row this indicator is green. Whilst there has been a slight drop in performance, linked to change in placements the indicator remains in green.

Definition

The percentage of Looked after children for at least one month, whose case was reviewed within the required timescales. The denominator is children who are LAC for at least one month at the end of the reporting month. The numerator is the number of children who have not had a review in the last 12 months recorded as outside of timescale.

G >=97	A= 95-96	R=<94
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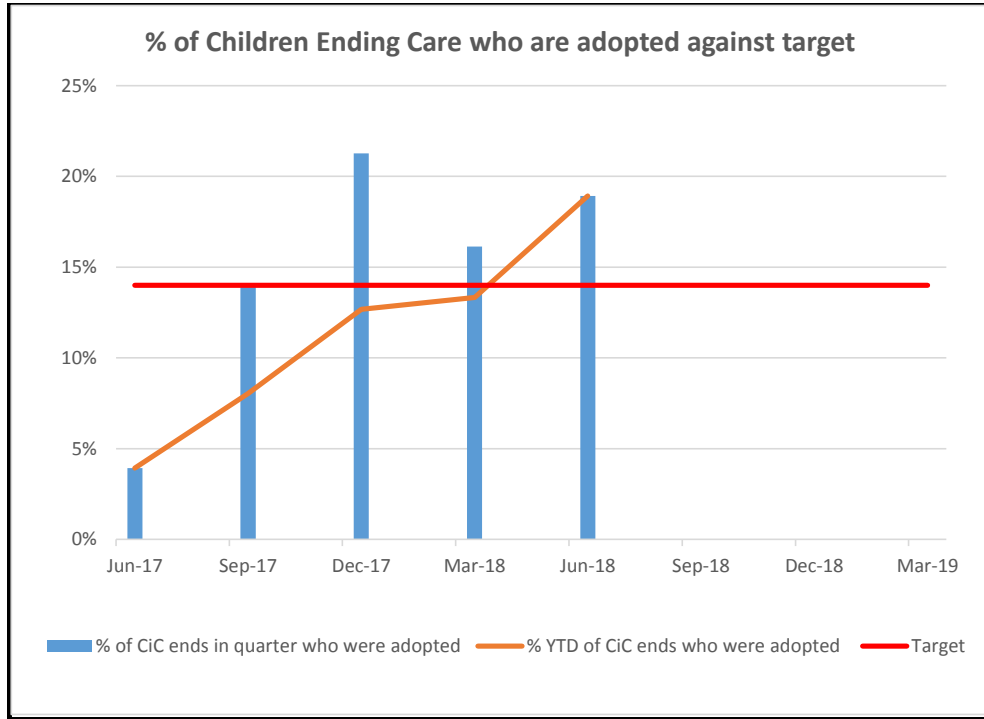


Month	Num.	Denom.	% of	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	320	349	91.7%	98.0%	-6.3	A
May-17	334	345	96.8%	98.0%	-1.2	A
Jun-17	334	347	96.3%	98.0%	-1.7	A
Jul-17	332	349	95.1%	98.0%	-2.9	A
Aug-17	357	365	97.8%	98.0%	-0.2	A
Sep-17	347	362	95.9%	98.0%	-2.1	A
Oct-17	345	359	96.1%	98.0%	-1.9	A
Nov-17	282	344	82.0%	98.0%	-16.0	R
Dec-17	309	345	89.6%	98.0%	-8.4	R
Jan-18	303	345	87.8%	98.0%	-10.2	R
Feb-18	331	345	95.9%	98.0%	-2.1	A
Mar-18	326	351	92.9%	98.0%	-5.1	A
Apr-18	343	351	97.7%	98.0%	-0.3	A
May-18	341	359	95.0%	98.0%	-3.0	A
Jun-18	354	371	95.4%	98.0%	-2.6	A
Jul-18	348	362	96.1%	98.0%	-1.9	A
Aug-18	337	362	93.1%	98.0%	-4.9	A
Sep-18	357	367	97.3%	98.0%	-0.7	A
Oct-18				98.0%		
Nov-18				98.0%		
Dec-18				98.0%		
Jan-19				98.0%		
Feb-19				98.0%		
Mar-19				98.0%		

CSC Commentary
 This target remains in Amber for the 8th month in a row. The impact of analysing the data has maintained improvement albeit within the scope of Amber. This takes account of some young people not wanting to see their SW due to other commitments or forgetting to see their SW. It also relates to SWs not always recording stat visits within timescales. However, within the scope of Amber there is an improvement of 3.2% this month.

Definition
 Of all Children in Care that have been looked after for more than 6 weeks, the number and percentage of visits that were completed within the 6 week deadline (or within three months for those Children in Care that have been looked after for more than 12 months and whose placement is deemed to be permanent). This is snapshot data taken at the month end.

G >=98%	A 97%-90%	R<90%
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Month	Adop.	CiC Ends	% of CiC	% YTD	Target	Var	RAG
Apr-17							
May-17							
Jun-17	2	51	3.9%	3.9%	14.0%	-10.1	R
Jul-17							
Aug-17							
Sep-17	5	36	13.9%	8.0%	14.0%	-6.0	R
Oct-17							
Nov-17							
Dec-17	10	47	21.3%	12.7%	14.0%	-1.3	A
Jan-18							
Feb-18							
Mar-18	5	31	16.1%	13.3%	14.0%	-0.7	A
Apr-18							
May-18							
Jun-18	7	37	18.9%	18.9%	20.0%		G
Jul-18							
Aug-18							
Sep-18	1	49	2.0%	9.3%	20.0%		R
Oct-18							
Nov-18							
Dec-18					20.0%		
Jan-19							
Feb-19							
Mar-19					20.0%		

CSC Commentary
 There have been 8 adoptions from 1 April - 30 June 2018. Due to the high number of children who have left care through other means the percentage of children leaving care through adoption has fallen from the previous quarter's figure of 21.2% to 9.3%. This is a temporary situation as the numbers of children in adoptive placements remains stable, however adoption order applications are taking longer to be heard.

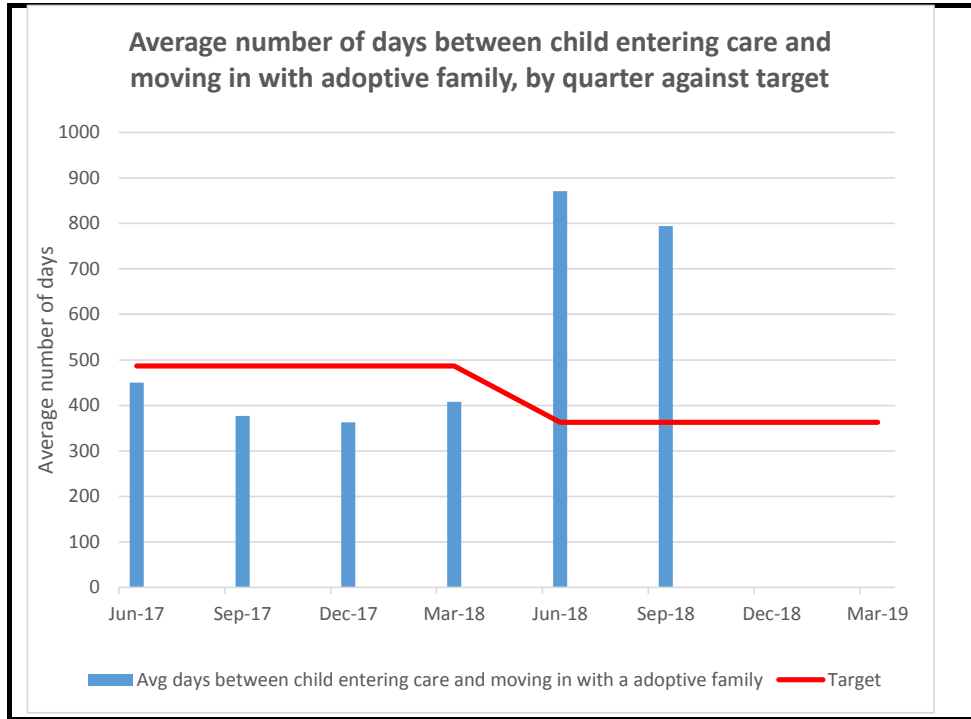
YTD:	8	86	--	9.3%	20.0%	-10.7	A
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Definition
 The number of children adopted as a percentage of the number of children who ceased to be in care

G >=13	A 8-12	R <7
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Year	PCC Result	SN Result	ENG Result
2014-15	19.0%	24.0%	17.0%
2015-16	17.0%	21.0%	15.0%
2016-17	13.0%	22.5%	14.0%

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Month	Avg days
Apr-17	499
May-17	499
Jun-17	450
Jul-17	339
Aug-17	377
Sep-17	377
Oct-17	
Nov-17	
Dec-17	363
Jan-18	
Feb-18	
Mar-18	408
Apr-18	
May-18	
Jun-18	871
Jul-18	
Aug-18	
Sep-18	794
Oct-18	
Nov-18	
Dec-18	
Jan-19	
Feb-19	
Mar-19	

Target	Var	RAG
487.0	12	
487.0	12	
487.0	-37	
487.0	-148	
487.0	-110	
487.0	-110	
487.0	-124	G
487.0	-79	A
363.0	508	R
363.0	431	R
363.0		
363.0		

CSC Commentary

This indicator remains strong for most children however there are 3 children in the cohort this quarter whose circumstances are unusual and have impacted negatively on the average number of days that a child waits to be placed with their adoptive family. 2 of the children were siblings aged 11 and 9 who had experienced a breakdown in their first long term placement and for whom adopters were then successfully found.

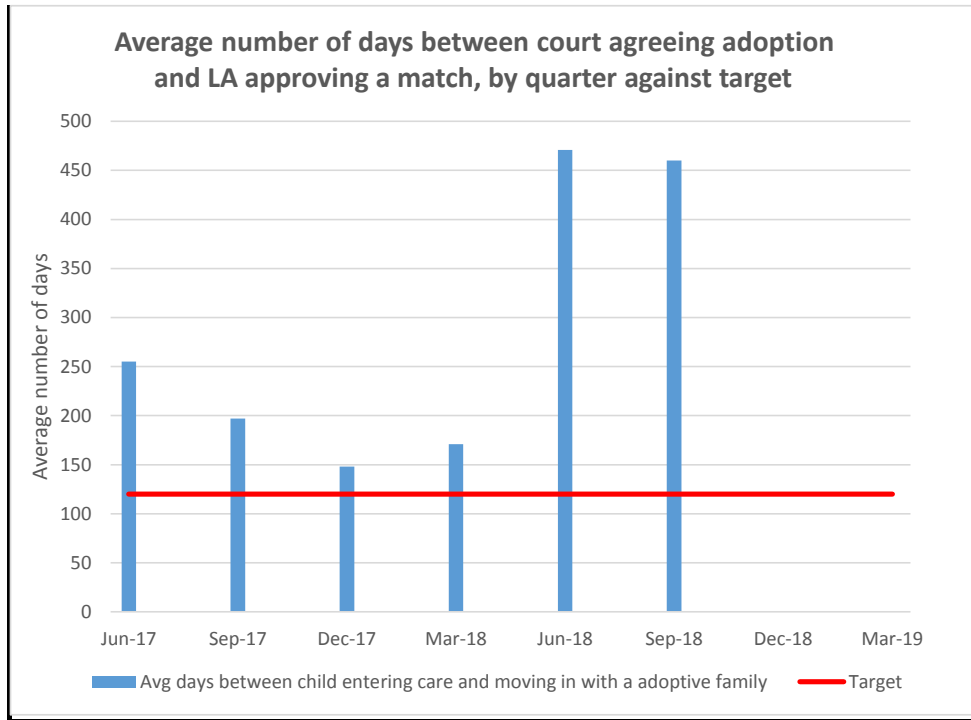
On the whole children continue to be placed within good timescales with their adopters after coming into care. If the 3 children above are not included the average length of time that children have waited from entering care to being placed is 293 days, which is well under the target of 363 days.

Definition:

The average days between child entering care and moving in with a adoptive family and the average days between court agreeing adoption and LA approving a match. The monthly figures represent the cumulative total for the year to date.

G <=363 A =364-549 R >=550

Year	PCC Result	ER Result	ENG Result
2013-15	256	200	223
2014-16	241	193	226
2015-17	459		520



Month	Avg days
Apr-17	441
May-17	441
Jun-17	255
Jul-17	170
Aug-17	197
Sep-17	197
Oct-17	
Nov-17	
Dec-17	148
Jan-18	
Feb-18	
Mar-18	171
Apr-18	
May-18	
Jun-18	471
Jul-18	
Aug-18	
Sep-18	460
Oct-18	
Nov-18	
Dec-18	
Jan-19	
Feb-19	
Mar-19	

Target	Var	RAG
120.0	321.0	
120.0	321.0	
120.0	135.0	
120.0	50.0	
120.0	77.0	
120.0	77.0	
120.0	28.0	R
120.0	51.0	R
120.0	351.0	R
120.0	340.0	R
120.0		
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This indicator has been difficult to achieve nationally, and whilst it is achieved for some children individually, there are a small number of children with extremely long waits between their placement order and being matched with their adopters which impacts on the average number of days.

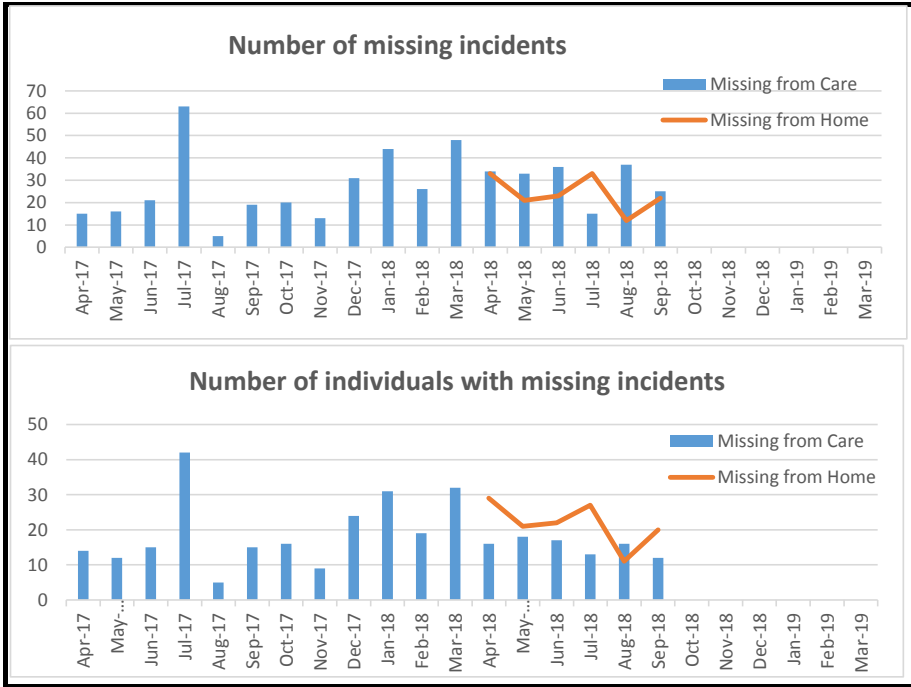
In particular there are 2 older children and 1 who was placed with his 3 siblings, in this cohort. Their individual scores will continue to affect the indicator for the remainder of the year.

5 of the children were placed with their adopters under Fostering for Adoption arrangements, which means that they were living with their adoptive family at the earliest opportunity. This indicator does not take account of this factor.

Definition
The average days between child entering care and moving in with a adoptive family and the average days between court agreeing adoption and LA approving a match. The monthly figures represent the cumulative total for the

G <=120	A >	R <
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Year	PCC Result	ER Result	ENG Result
2013-15	256.0	200.0	223.0
2014-16	241.0	193.0	226.0
2015-17	239.0		220.0



Month	Incidents	Individual
Apr-17	15	14
May-17	16	12
Jun-17	21	15
Jul-17	63	42
Aug-17	5	5
Sep-17	19	15
Oct-17	20	16
Nov-17	13	9
Dec-17	31	24
Jan-18	44	31
Feb-18	26	19
Mar-18	48	32
Apr-18	34	16
May-18	33	18
Jun-18	36	17
Jul-18	15	13
Aug-18	37	16
Sep-18	25	12
Oct-18		
Nov-18		
Dec-18		
Jan-19		
Feb-19		
Mar-19		

Month	Incidents	Individual
Apr-18	33	29
May-18	21	21
Jun-18	23	22
Jul-18	33	27
Aug-18	12	11
Sep-18	22	20
Oct-18		
Nov-18		
Dec-18		
Jan-19		
Feb-19		
Mar-19		

CSC Commentary

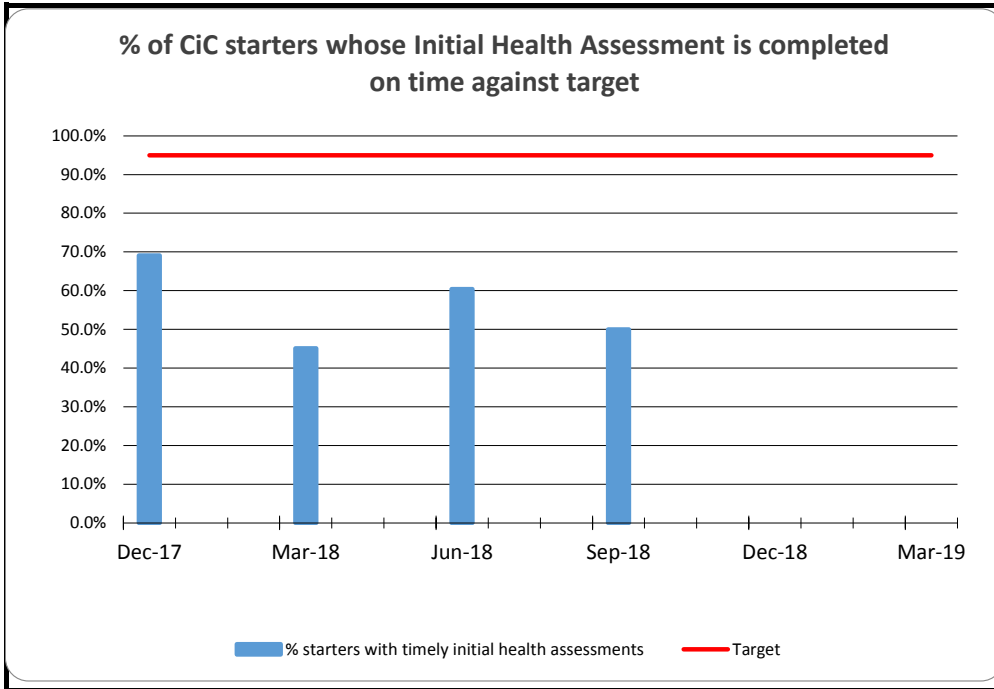
The data has been broken down into the format seen here to reflect and record more clearly the different groups for monitoring purposes. The assessment of the data indicates, of those children missing from care, they relate to 25 children this month which is a decrease of 12 young people on last month. Improved internal systems indicates that the majority of children going missing are Children in Care. Internal monitoring systems are identifying early indicators related to patterns and themes linked to placement stability.

Definition

The first table is all missing incidents (including incidents occurring to CiC placed outside of Peterborough) for Children in Care recorded in the month; individuals is the number of children this involves (as some children may go missing more than once). The second table looks at children who go missing from home



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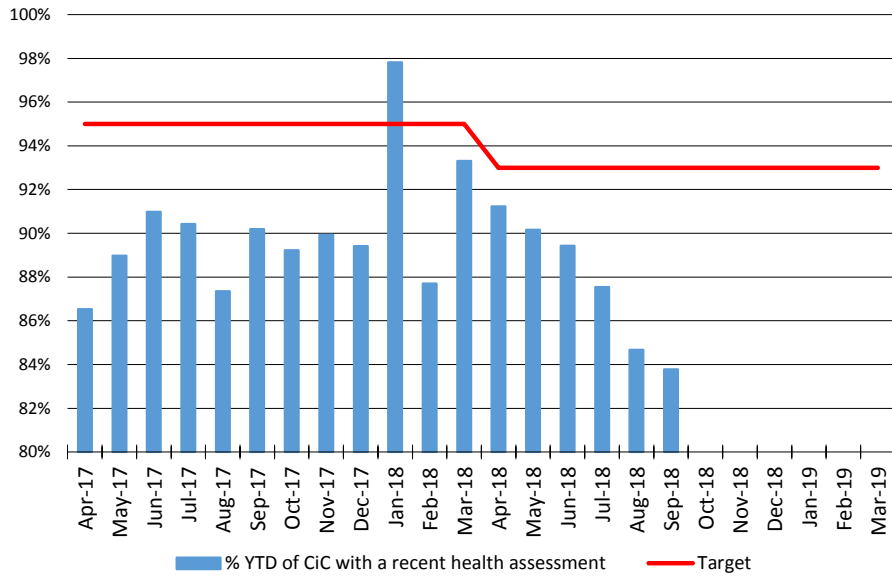
Month	Init.HA	CiC St	%	% YTD	Target	Var	RAG
Apr-17	9	14	64.3%	64.3%	95.0%	-30.7	R
May-17	14	19	73.7%	69.7%	95.0%	-25.3	R
Jun-17	12	27	44.4%	54.1%	95.0%	-40.9	R
Jul-17	7	14	50.0%	49.3%	95.0%	-45.7	R
Aug-17	6	10	60.0%	51.8%	95.0%	-43.2	R
Sep-17					95.0%		
Oct-17					95.0%		
Nov-17					95.0%		
Dec-17	29	42	69.0%		95.0%		R
Jan-18					95.0%		
Feb-18					95.0%		
Mar-18	23	51	45.1%		95.0%		R
Apr-18					95.0%		
May-18					95.0%		
Jun-18	29	48	60.4%		95.0%		R
Jul-18					95.0%		
Aug-18					95.0%		
Sep-18	16	32	50.0%		95.0%		R
Oct-18					95.0%		
Nov-18					95.0%		
Dec-18					95.0%		
Jan-19					95.0%		
Feb-19					95.0%		
Mar-19					95.0%		
YTD:	45	80	--	56.3%	95.0%	-38.8	R

CSC Commentary
 June: 12 referrals – all assessments completed within timescale
 July: 23 referrals – 9 Out of Area; 11 assessments completed within timescale; 1 child no longer looked after; 1 late by 2 days and 1 young person missing.
 August: 12 referrals – 4 Out of Area; 6 assessments completed within timescale; 1 referral received late; 1 UASC transferred

Definition
 The number of children becoming looked after that have an initial health assessment recorded within 20 working days of the child entering care. The number of children is measured one month in arrears to enable time for the 20 day period to elapse and excludes cases where the episode of care was closed within 20 days and also children entering care because they have been placed on remand (because the remand institution is responsible for completing the initial health assessment).

G >= 95%	A 85-95%	R <85%
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% of Children in Care (12 months+) who have had their Annual Health Assessment in past 12 months against target



Month	Num.	Denom.	% YTD	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	225	260	86.5%	95.0%	-8.5	A
May-17	234	263	89.0%	95.0%	-6.0	A
Jun-17	242	266	91.0%	95.0%	-4.0	A
Jul-17	236	261	90.4%	95.0%	-4.6	A
Aug-17	228	261	87.4%	95.0%	-7.6	A
Sep-17	239	265	90.2%	95.0%	-4.8	A
Oct-17	232	260	89.2%	95.0%	-5.8	A
Nov-17	232	258	89.9%	95.0%	-5.1	A
Dec-17	228	255	89.4%	95.0%	-5.6	A
Jan-18	224	229	97.8%	95.0%	2.8	G
Feb-18	221	252	87.7%	95.0%	-7.3	A
Mar-18	237	254	93.3%	95.0%	-1.7	A
Apr-18	229	251	91.2%	93.0%	-1.8	A
May-18	229	254	90.2%	93.0%	-2.8	A
Jun-18	237	265	89.4%	93.0%	-3.6	R
Jul-18	232	265	87.5%	93.0%	-5.5	R
Aug-18	221	261	84.7%	93.0%	-8.3	R
Sep-18	217	259	83.8%	93.0%	-9.2	R
Oct-18				93.0%		
Nov-18				93.0%		
Dec-18				93.0%		
Jan-19				93.0%		
Feb-19				93.0%		
Mar-19				93.0%		

CSC Commentary

This target has dipped again this month. This is being addressed internally and with Health colleagues as previous interface systems were working well.

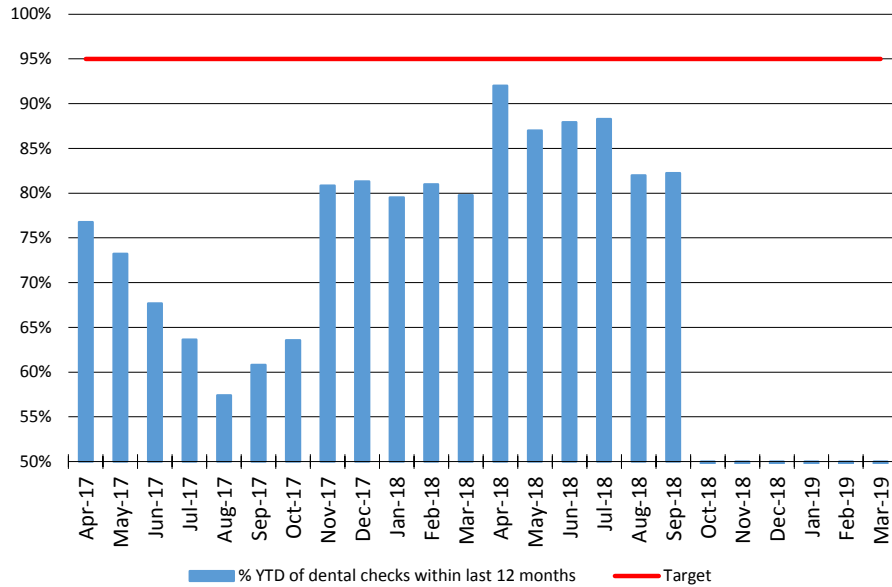
Definition

Of the children who had been in care for at least 12 months the proportion who had an annual health assessment during the previous 12 months.

G >=93	A 90-92	R <=90
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Year	PCC Result	SN Result	ENG Result
2014-15	88%	88%	87%
2015-16	96%	88%	91%
2016-17	95%	88%	88%

% of Children in Care (12 months+) who have had a Dental Check Completed in past 12 months against target



Month	Num.	Denom.	% YTD	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	251	327	76.8%	95.0%	-18.2	R
May-17	238	325	73.2%	95.0%	-21.8	R
Jun-17	224	331	67.7%	95.0%	-27.3	R
Jul-17	217	341	63.6%	95.0%	-31.4	R
Aug-17	198	345	57.4%	95.0%	-37.6	R
Sep-17	208	342	60.8%	95.0%	-34.2	R
Oct-17	211	332	63.6%	95.0%	-31.4	R
Nov-17	266	329	80.9%	95.0%	-14.1	R
Dec-17	261	321	81.3%	95.0%	-13.7	R
Jan-18	260	327	79.5%	95.0%	-15.5	R
Feb-18	264	326	81.0%	95.0%	-14.0	R
Mar-18	260	326	79.8%	95.0%	-15.2	R
Apr-18	230	250	92.0%	95.0%	-3.0	A
May-18	221	254	87.0%	95.0%	-8.0	R
Jun-18	233	265	87.9%	95.0%	-7.1	R
Jul-18	234	265	88.3%	95.0%	-6.7	R
Aug-18	214	261	82.0%	95.0%	-13.0	R
Sep-18	213	259	82.2%	95.0%	-12.8	R
Oct-18				95.0%		
Nov-18				95.0%		
Dec-18				95.0%		
Jan-19				95.0%		
Feb-19				95.0%		
Mar-19				95.0%		

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CSC Commentary

This indicator has been reviewed with performance colleagues. The 903 returns for DFE at the end of March indicated a 96% return. This was for the year ending 17-18. The data for September indicates an improvement by 0.2% albeit the indicator remains in the red.

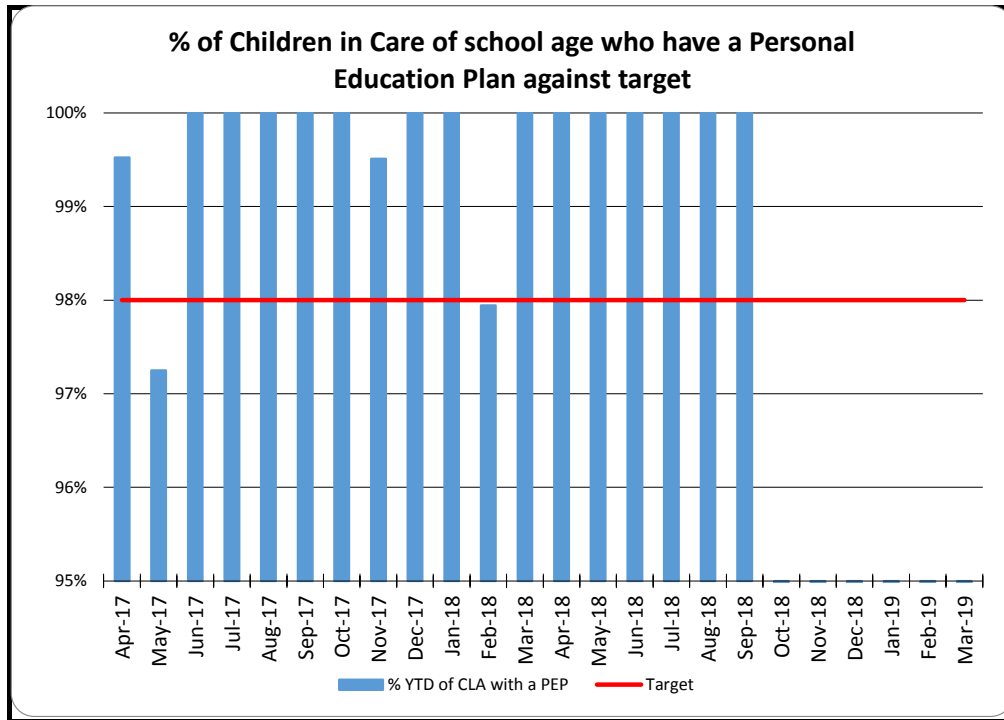
Definition

Of the children who have been looked after for 12 months or more and had a dental check within the previous 12 months.

G >= 95%	A > 90%	R < 90%
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Year	PCC Result	SN Result	ENG Result
2014-15	90%	77%	86%
2015-16	90%	81%	88%
2016-17	95%	82%	84%

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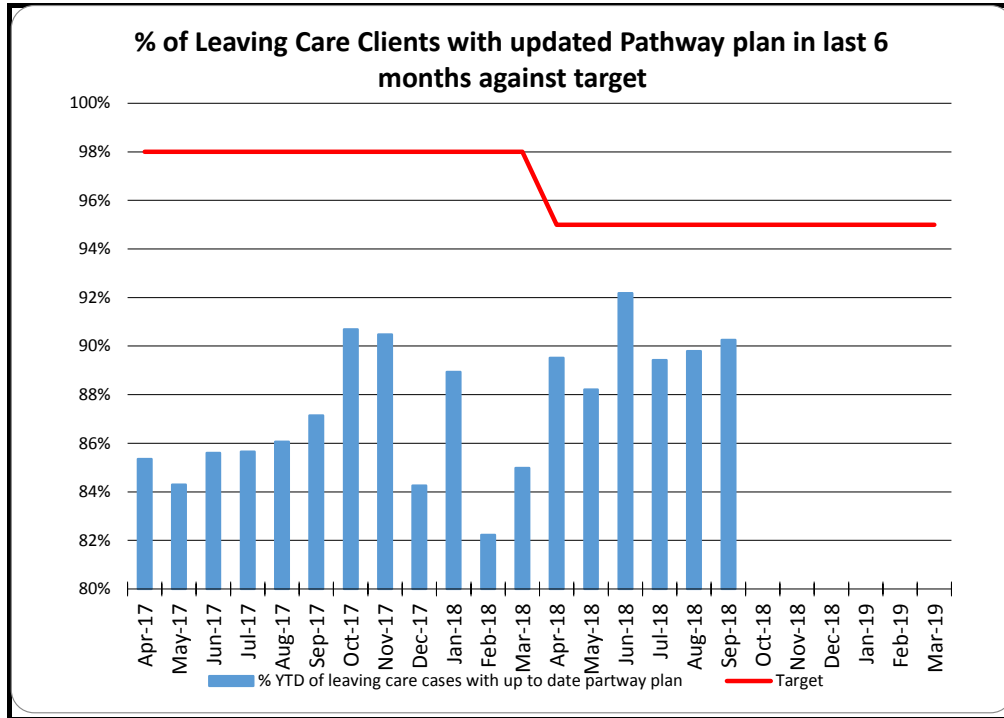


Month	Num.	Denom.	% YTD	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	209	210	99.5%	98.0%	1.5	G
May-17	212	218	97.2%	98.0%	-0.8	A
Jun-17	214	214	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Jul-17	225	225	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Aug-17	208	208	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Sep-17	208	208	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Oct-17	200	200	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Nov-17	203	204	99.5%	98.0%	1.5	G
Dec-17	232	232	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Jan-18	232	232	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Feb-18	238	243	97.9%	98.0%	-0.1	A
Mar-18	242	242	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Apr-18	244	244	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
May-18	256	256	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Jun-18	261	261	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Jul-18	263	263	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Aug-18	266	266	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Sep-18	228	228	100.0%	98.0%	2.0	G
Oct-18				98.0%		
Nov-18				98.0%		
Dec-18				98.0%		
Jan-19				98.0%		
Feb-19				98.0%		
Mar-19				98.0%		

CSC Commentary
 The continued 100% completion of PEPs reflects the ongoing partnership between PVS and social workers.

Definition
 The denominator is the number of children in care who are of school age. The numerator is of those children, the number that have a PEP added to the system. This has been addressed with managers.

G = >98% **A=95%-97%** **R < 95%**



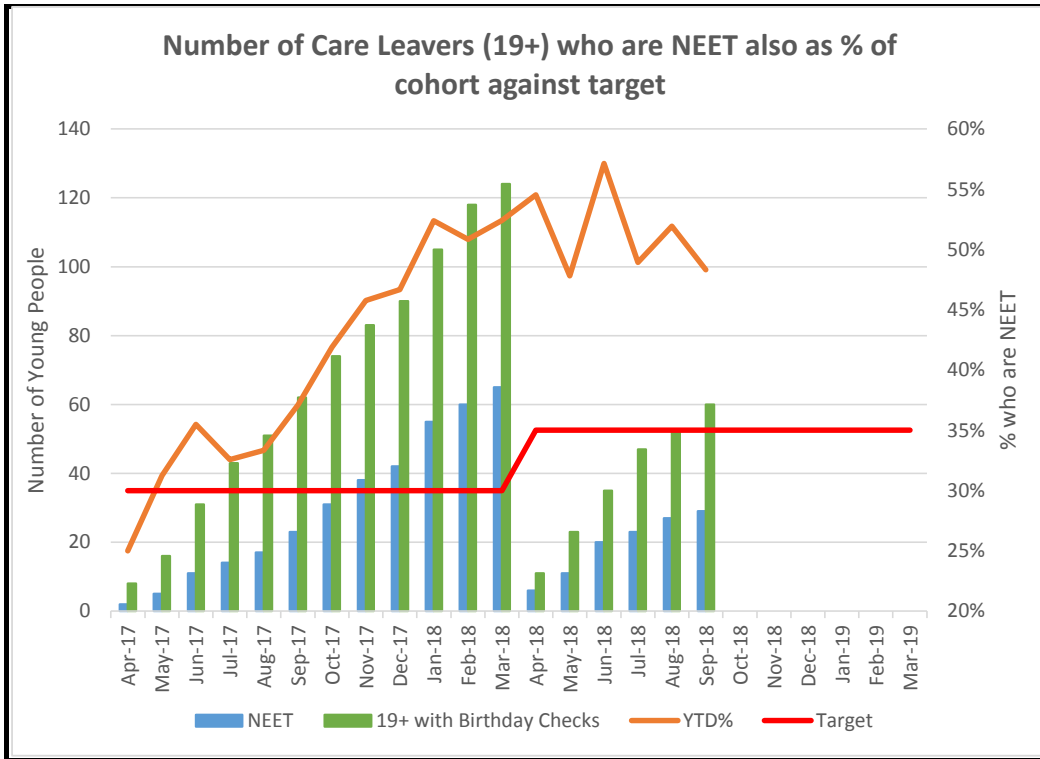
Month	Num.	Denom.	% YTD	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	204	239	85.4%	98.0%		A
May-17	204	242	84.3%	98.0%		R
Jun-17	208	243	85.6%	98.0%		A
Jul-17	209	244	85.7%	98.0%		A
Aug-17	210	244	86.1%	98.0%		A
Sep-17	217	249	87.1%	98.0%		A
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Nov-17	228	252	90.5%	98.0%		A
Dec-17	214	254	84.3%	98.0%		A
Jan-18	217	244	88.9%	98.0%		A
Feb-18	222	270	82.2%	98.0%		R
Mar-18	232	273	85.0%	98.0%		A
Apr-18	222	248	89.5%	95.0%		A
May-18	217	246	88.2%	95.0%		A
Jun-18	224	243	92.2%	95.0%		A
Jul-18	220	246	89.4%	95.0%		A
Aug-18	220	245	89.8%	95.0%		A
Sep-18	250	277	90.3%	95.0%		A
Oct-18				95.0%		
Nov-18				95.0%		
Dec-18				95.0%		
Jan-19				95.0%		
Feb-19				95.0%		
Mar-19				95.0%		

CSC Commentary
 This target remains in Amber and is linked to the increase in teenagers being accommodated who require a pathway plan.

Definition
 The percentage of leaving care cases with a pathway plan that has been updated within the last 6 months. The numerator is the number of children looked after cases assigned to the leaving care service that have a pathway plan which has been updated and recorded on Liquidlogic within the previous 6 months. The denominator is the number of children looked after assigned to the leaving care service as at the month end.

G >=95 **A =87-94** **R=<86**

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Month	NEET	19+	YTD%	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	2	8	25.0%	30.0%		G
May-17	5	16	31.3%	30.0%		A
Jun-17	11	31	35.5%	30.0%		R
Jul-17	14	43	32.6%	30.0%		A
Aug-17	17	51	33.3%	30.0%		A
Sep-17	23	62	37.1%	30.0%		R
Oct-17	31	74	41.9%	30.0%		R
Nov-17	38	83	45.8%	30.0%		R
Dec-17	42	90	46.7%	30.0%		R
Jan-18	55	105	52.4%	30.0%		R
Feb-18	60	118	50.8%	30.0%		R
Mar-18	65	124	52.4%	30.0%		R
Apr-18	6	11	54.5%	35.0%		R
May-18	11	23	47.8%	35.0%		R
Jun-18	20	35	57.1%	35.0%		R
Jul-18	23	47	48.9%	35.0%		R
Aug-18	27	52	51.9%	35.0%		R
Sep-18	29	60	48.3%	35.0%		R
Oct-18				35.0%		
Nov-18				35.0%		
Dec-18				35.0%		
Jan-19				35.0%		
Feb-19				35.0%		
Mar-19				35.0%		

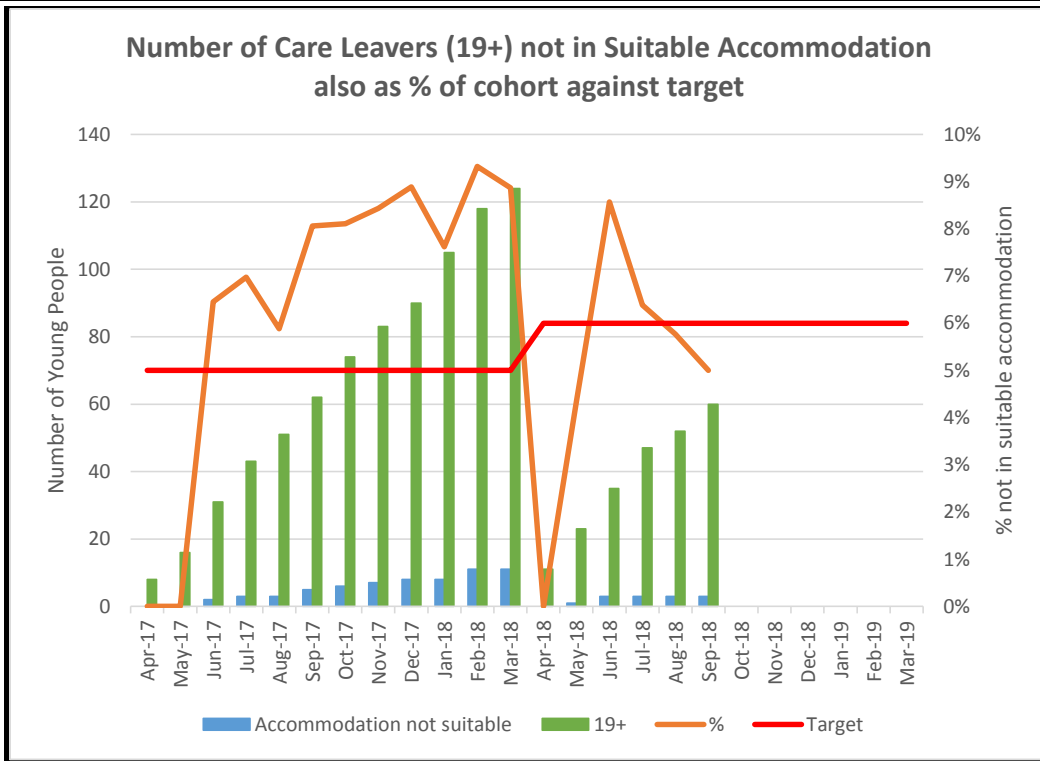
CSC Commentary

This is measured on a young person's birthday only, and needs to be seen within this context as well as the cohort being low. Small numbers at the beginning of the financial year provide an unreliable estimate of the end of year position and should not be used for comparative purposes. The data for those who are NEET includes young people who are NEET because of disability, pregnant, teenage parents, and illness

Definition Former relevant care leavers open to the service aged 19, 20 or 21 and the proportion of those who declared themselves to be Not in Education Employment or Training

G <=35 **A =36-41** **R=>42**

Year	PCC	ER Result	SN Res	ENG Result
2014-15	41%	42%	44%	39%
2015-16	43%	42%	44%	40%
2016-17	42%	42%	45%	40%



Month	Accomm	19+	%	Target	Variance	RAG
Apr-17	0	8	0.0%	5.0%		G
May-17	0	16	0.0%	5.0%		G
Jun-17	2	31	6.5%	5.0%		R
Jul-17	3	43	7.0%	5.0%		R
Aug-17	3	51	5.9%	5.0%		R
Sep-17	5	62	8.1%	5.0%		R
Oct-17	6	74	8.1%	5.0%		R
Nov-17	7	83	8.4%	5.0%		R
Dec-17	8	90	8.9%	5.0%		R
Jan-18	8	105	7.6%	5.0%		R
Feb-18	11	118	9.3%	5.0%		R
Mar-18	11	124	8.9%	5.0%		R
Apr-18	0	11	0.0%	6.0%		G
May-18	1	23	4.3%	6.0%		A
Jun-18	3	35	8.6%	6.0%		R
Jul-18	3	47	6.4%	6.0%		G
Aug-18	3	52	5.8%	6.0%		G
Sep-18	3	60	5.0%	6.0%		G
Oct-18				6.0%		
Nov-18				6.0%		
Dec-18				6.0%		
Jan-19				6.0%		
Feb-19				6.0%		
Mar-19				6.0%		

This cohort is small with the overall group this month moving 52 young people based on their birthday. This is rolling year to date data. The data indicates a significant improvement in meeting the desired average of 6.0% over the year.

Definition
Former relevant care leavers open to the service aged 19, 20 or 21 and the proportion of those who declared themselves to be Not in Suitable Accommodation

G =0-6 A =7-9 R=10>

Year	PCC	ER Result	SN Res	ENG Result
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2015-16	11%	8%	9%	7%
2016-17	6%	8%	8%	7%

Sep-17	Dec-17	Mar-18	Jun-18	Sep-18
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Children looked after	373	356	353	381	370
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Age

Under 1	16	23	18	20	19
1 to 4	21	18	23	29	34
5 to 9	68	67	68	71	65
10 to 15	159	149	146	157	156
16-17	106	99	98	104	96
18 or over	3	0	0	0	4

Gender

Male	213	204	202	215	207
Female	160	152	150	166	167
Undefined			1	0	0

Legal Status

Interim care orders	53	48	43	57	62
Full care orders	193	198	207	214	212
Voluntary agreements	93	76	73	82	66
Freed adoption / placement order	31	32	28	27	32
Others	3	2	2	1	2

Placement

Foster carers - In House	157	159	165	150	144
Foster carers - Agency	109	96	93	126	117
Foster carers - Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
Fostering by relatives or friends	16	19	18	15	16
With parents	3	3	3	7	6
Independent living	34	26	34	42	41
Residential care homes	45	40	31	29	29
Other residential schools	0	1	1	1	1
Placed for adoption	5	8	7	4	6
Secure unit	2	0	0	1	1
Other	2	4	1	6	9

Jun-17	Sep-17	Dec-17	Jun-18	Sep-18
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Children looked after	373	356	353	381	370
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Ethnicity

White British	224	223	226	239	229
White Irish	0	0	0	0	0
White Other	41	34	34	40	43
White	269	257	260	279	272
Mixed White & Black Caribbean	3	4	4	5	5
Mixed White & Black African	4	3	3	4	5
Mixed White & Asian	21	20	19	20	16
Any other mixed background	16	15	15	17	17
Mixed	45	42	41	46	43
Indian	1	1	1	0	0
Pakistani	7	7	7	12	11
Bangladeshi	0	0	0	0	1
Any other Asian background	19	17	13	17	16
Asian	24	25	21	29	28
Caribbean	2	2	2	2	2
African	15	13	13	10	12
Any other Black background	8	7	8	8	8
Black	23	22	23	20	22
Chinese	0	0	0	0	0
Any other ethnic group	6	6	3	5	5
Other	6	6	3	5	5
Not stated / not yet obtained	4	4	5	2	4

Length of time in care

0 - 6 months	83	70	51	85	85
7 - 12 months	32	36	54	48	35
1 - 2 years	100	93	89	90	101
3 - 5 years	42	42	44	44	49
6 - 10 years	98	96	97	97	83
11 -15 years	18	18	16	15	19
16+ years	0	1	2	2	2

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CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 11b
21 NOVEMBER 2018	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Corporate Director People and Communities	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Sam Smith, Cabinet Member for Children's Services.	
Contact Officer(s):	Nicola Curley, Assistant Director Children's Social Care Deborah Spencer, Designated Nurse Looked After Children	Tel. 864065

HEALTH UPDATE REPORT

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: Assistant Director Children's Social Care	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that the Corporate Parenting Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notes the content of the report; and 2. Raise any queries they have with the lead officers. 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 A health report is submitted to each formal Corporate Parenting Committee.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 The purpose of the report is to provide an update to committee members on timescales of health assessments

2.2 This report is for Corporate Parenting Committee to consider under its Terms of Reference No.

2.4.4.6 (c) Promote the development of participation and ensure that the view of children and young people are regularly heard through the Corporate Parenting Committee to improve educational, health and social outcomes to raise aspiration and attainments.

2.3 This links to Priority 4 of the Children in Care Pledge and Care Leavers Charter. Health issues of children and young people in care.

3. TIMESCALES *[If this is not a Major Policy item, answer NO and delete the second line of boxes.]*

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	
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4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

4.1 Initial Health Assessments

The Children in Care (CIC) health team continue to strive to meet the 20 day working target for initial health assessments. The reasons for not reaching the target of 95% in some months are largely due to children placed out of county and children not attending the first appointment made for them.

4.1.1

CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH FOUNDATION TRUST		July 2018	August 2018	September 2018
No. children entered care	No. placed in area	13	9	4
	No. placed out of area	9	3	1
IHAs completed within 20 days	No. in area completed in 20 days	11	8	4
	% in area completed in 20 days	85%	89%	100%
	No. out of area completed in 20 days	0	0	0
	% completed out of area in 20 days	0%	0%	0%
	% all IHAs completed within 20 days	50%	67%	80%

July 2018: 2 IHAs in area out of timescale; 1 absconded, returned to placement, 1 late referral.

4.2 August 2018: 1 IHA in area out of timescale, transferred out of area before assessment took place

September 2018: all in area IHAs completed within timescale

4.2.1

Review Health Assessments

The major challenges with review health assessments are children placed out of area and those who do not attend appointments.

Annual Review Health Assessments	No. in area RHAs required	22	22	18
	No. out of area RHAs required	7	6	4
	No. completed with 15 days	25	16	18
	% completed within 15 days	52%	78%	82%

July 2018: 8 in area did not attend; 7 out of area RHA out of timescale

August 2018: 6 in area did not attend; 6 out of area RHA out of timescales

September 2018: 18 in area RHAs completed within timescale; 4 out of area out of timescale

4.2.2 **Psychological Therapies**

The Standard Operating Procedure for funding for CAMH and psychological therapies for children placed out of county is now embedded into practice. The Designated Nurse is receiving requests for funding using the SOP. Individual case discussions have taken place to review therapies and placements with colleagues from Social Care.

The gap for children placed within county with attachment / behavioural issues has been reviewed by the Joint Commissioning Unit in September.

5. **CONSULTATION**

5.1 N/A

6. **ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT**

6.1 To improve the health and well-being for LAC by ensuring adequate assessment of health and addressing areas where there may be a lack of provision.

7. **REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION**

7.1 Corporate Parenting Committee have requested a health update at all formal committees.

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

8.1 N/A

9. **IMPLICATIONS**

Financial Implications

9.1 None

Legal Implications

9.2 No legal implications arise, as the report provides statistical information to be noted by the Committee.

Equalities Implications

9.3 N/A

Other Implications

9.4 This report provides clear information on health services provided to children in care and care leavers and ensures that Committee members are informed, but can also challenge where necessary.

10. **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

10.1 N/A

11. **APPENDICES**

11.1 None

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DRAFT CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2018/2019

Updated 29 October 2018

Date of Meeting	Priority	Topic	Contact Officer	
Part 1				
6 June 2018 Informal	Work Programming session			Karen Dunleavy
	2. Effective care planning	Update from CiCC b)To encourage those children & Young people to express their views, wishes & feelings c) To take account of the views, wishes & feelings of those children & young people	CiCC/Jenny Weeden	
	2. Effective care planning	You Asked We Did b)To encourage those children & Young people to express their views, wishes & feelings c) To take account of the views, wishes & feelings of those children & young people	Nicola Curley	
	Priorities 2 - 6	Allocation of roles and responsibilities Champion Member Feedback session d) to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners	Corporate Parenting Champions	
	Members Issues			Members
	Part 2			
Performance report – Briefing note			Nicola Curley	
18 July 2018 Formal Health	3. Placement stability and range of high quality placement provision 2. Effective care planning	Update from Foster Carers and Participation Officer for CiCC d) to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners	Foster Carers/Jenny Weeden	
	4. Health issues of children and young people in care	Children in Care and Care Leavers annual health report a)To act in the best interests, & promote the physical, mental health & wellbeing, of those children and young people	Deborah Spencer	
	Priorities 1 - 6	Report on Unaccompanied Asylum seeking Children and Young People a)To act in the best interests, & promote the physical, mental health & wellbeing, of those children and young people	Myra O'Farrell	



		Appointment of Corporate Parenting Champion positions d) to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners	
		Members Issues	
	Priorities 1 - 6	Performance Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Placements of Children in Care • Health • Scorecard 	Nicola Curley
		Draft Work Programme and Review of the Committee's work in 2017/2018.	Karen Dunleavy
12 September 2018 Informal Education			
	2. Effective care planning	Part 1 Update from Participation Officer for CICC b)To encourage those children & Young people to express their views, wishes & feelings c) To take account of the views, wishes & feelings of those children & young people	CiCC
	2. Effective care planning	You Asked We Did b)To encourage those children & Young people to express their views, wishes & feelings c) To take account of the views, wishes & feelings of those children & young people	Jenny Weeden
	Priorities 2 - 6	Champion Member Feedback session d) to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners;	Member Champions
		Members Issues	Members
		Part 2	
	5. Educational attainment and achievement	Case study – Education	Dee Glover
		Work Programme	Karen Dunleavy
21 November 2018 Formal Education	3. Placement stability and range of high quality placement provision 2. Effective care planning	Update from Foster Carers and Participation Officer for CICC d) to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners	Foster Carers/Jenny Weeden

	5. Educational attainment and achievement	Virtual Schools Attainment report to include an update on SEND; and Children who are not in full time education e) to promote high aspirations, and seek to secure the best outcomes, for those children and young people;	Dee Glover
	5. Educational attainment and achievement	SEND update in relation to CIC e) to promote high aspirations, and seek to secure the best outcomes, for those children and young people;	Education / 0 -25
	5. Educational attainment and achievement	Work & Training Opportunities for Young people moving on from care g) to prepare those children and young people for adulthood and independent living.	Education / CSC
		Report on Missing from Care and CSE update To act in the best interests, & promote the physical, mental health & wellbeing, of those children and young people	CSC/Health joint report
		Members Issues	Members
	Priorities 1 – 6	Performance Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Placements of Children in Care ● Health Report ● Scorecard 	Nicola Curley/Deborah Spencer
		Work Programme	Karen Dunleavy
16 January 2019 Informal Placement		Part 1	
	2. Effective care planning	Update from Participation Officer for CiCC b)To encourage those children & Young people to express their views, wishes & feelings c) To take account of the views, wishes & feelings of those children & young people	CiCC
	2. Effective care planning	You Asked We Did b)To encourage those children & Young people to express their views, wishes & feelings c) To take account of the views, wishes & feelings of those children & young people	Jenny Weeden
	Priorities 2 - 6	Champion Member Feedback session d) to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners;	Corporate Member Champions
		Members Issues	Members

		Part 2	
	3. Placement stability and range of high quality placement provision	Case study - Placement	
		Work Programme	Karen Dunleavy

20 March 2019 Formal Placement	3. Placement stability and range of high quality placement provision 2. Effective care planning	Update from Foster Carers and Participation Officer for CICC d) to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners	Foster Carers/Jenny Weeden
	3. Placement stability and range of high quality placement provision	Permanency report placements report to include: Adoption Annual Report Fostering report Reg 44 report d) to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners;	TACT / CSC
	3. Placement Stability and range of high quality placement provision	Annual Report of the IRO Service d) to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners;	Alison Bennett
	Priorities 1 - 6	Report on 0-25 service redesign, including transition services d) to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners;	Graham Puckering
	5. Educational attainment and achievement	Virtual Schools Annual Report to ratify attainment of CIC e) to promote high aspirations, and seek to secure the best outcomes, for those children and young people;	Dee Glover
		Complaints Annual Report b)To encourage those children & Young people to express their views, wishes & feelings c) To take account of the views, wishes & feelings of those children & young people	
	Priorities 1 - 6	Report on work of the Corporate Parenting Committee for the Children and Education Scrutiny Committee	Nicola Curley
		Members Issues	Members
		Performance Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Placements of Children in Care ● Health Report 	Nicola Curley/Deborah

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scorecard	Spencer
		Work Programme	Karen Dunleavy