

Information relating to placements for Children in Care

On the 31 August 2016 there were 362 Children in Care in Peterborough.

- 158 children were placed with foster carers who work for Peterborough City Council (in house).
- 112 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.
- 29 post 16 years olds were living on their own (independent living) but still classed as CLA 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.
- 5 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 way. They are paid the same level of allowances as other in house foster carers.
- 4 children were living with their parents but are 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 revoked.
- 34 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 persons needs. Residential care is nearly always accessed by adolescents and only rarely used for younger children in very special circumstances.
- 3 children (with disabilities) were placed in specialist residential care. These disabled children 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 were no young person either in young offender institute or prison.
- There was 1 young person placed in a secure unit

Children in Care Profile

	Sep-15	Dec-15	Mar-16	Jun-16	Aug-16
Children looked after	340	349	359	371	362

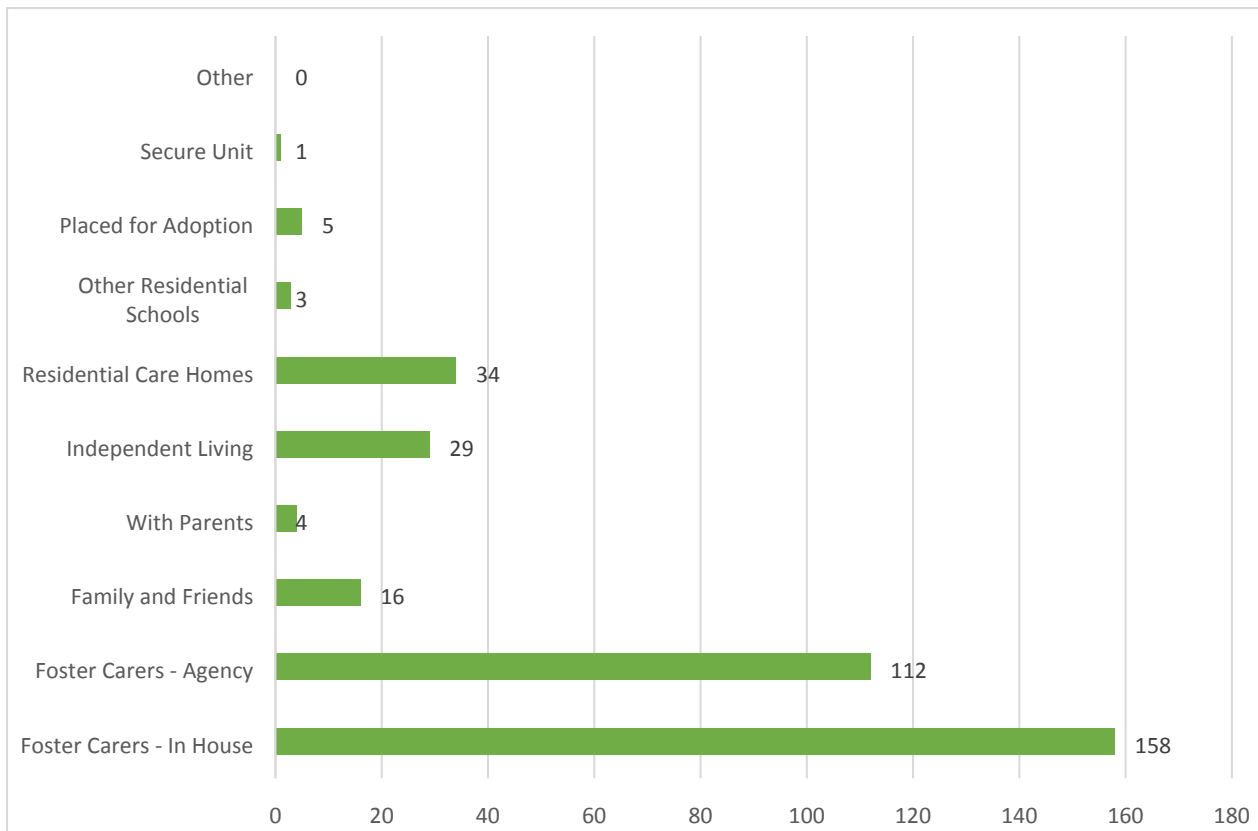
Age

Under 1	17	20	22	22	19
1 to 4	37	39	36	36	34
5 to 9	68	70	74	81	74
10 to 15	145	144	149	149	144
16-17	72	76	78	82	89
18 or over	1	0	0	1	2

Gender

Male	197	199	203	211	205
Female	152	156	156	160	157

Breakdown of Children in Care Placements



Ethnicity of Children in Care

	Sep-15	Dec-15	Mar-16	Jun-16	Aug-16
Children looked after	340	349	359	371	362
Ethnicity					
White British	227	235	237	235	234
White Irish	0	0	0	0	0
White Other	37	38	44	47	43
White	264	273	281	282	277
Mixed White & Black Caribbean	6	7	3	4	5
Mixed White & Black African	2	2	5	6	6
Mixed White & Asian	12	11	13	14	15
Any other mixed background	12	11	10	11	10
Mixed	32	31	31	35	36
Indian	0	0	0	0	0
Pakistani	5	5	6	5	4
Bangladeshi	0	0	0	0	0
Any other Asian background	9	10	11	18	17
Asian	14	15	17	23	21
Caribbean	2	2	2	2	2
African	12	12	10	12	10
Any other Black background	6	6	6	7	7
Black	20	20	18	21	19
Chinese	0	0	0	0	0
Any other ethnic group	10	10	11	10	9
Other	10	10	11	10	9
Not stated / not yet obtained	0	0	1	0	0

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