



Southampton
Local Safeguarding Children Board

Draft

Annual Report

2013-14

Foreword – Keith Makin, Independent Chair

Welcome to the 2013-14 Annual Report of the Southampton Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB).

The report gives an overview of the work of the LSCB and its partner agencies have delivered to ensure that the Children and Young People of Southampton are safeguarded and their welfare promoted. The report provides detail of the issues faced by partners this year, as well as the progress made by the LSCB in coordinating and driving work. There is much to work from and the issues highlighted within this report form the basis for our Business Plan for the 2014-15 financial year.

Southampton Local Safeguarding Children Board published a Serious Case Review into the tragic death of Child G during 2013-14. Learning from further cases subject to Serious Case Review, to be published during 2014-15 has also been gained during the year. I send my deepest sympathy to the families and those affected by these tragic cases. The Board deeply regrets the failings across the system identified within Serious Case Reviews.

The purpose of a Serious Case Review is to analyse the actions of each agency during the time they were supporting children and their families, and determine if lessons could be learned from the ways in which they had worked both individually and together. The agencies involved in the review processes during this period have shared information about their involvement in the cases openly and this has ensured an honest and transparent enquiry into the quality of work done, including gaps and missed opportunities. Since the time that these reviews cover, many working practices have changed, and improvements have recently been implemented to ensure better safeguarding for our children. The LSCB has and will continue to seek assurance of this.

The learning from the Serious Case Reviews has helped us to understand what wasn't working and has shown us where we need to make changes and strengthen our procedures, knowledge and skills. This includes ensuring learning from such cases is gained in a timely way without delay.

The LSCB has drawn from these reviews some key themes for learning and improvement locally and nationally and has developed detailed action plans which will be monitored and evaluated to ensure this happens. This learning has and will be widely disseminated by the LSCB to over 150 professionals in the partnership and this will continue throughout the coming year. The lessons learned from these reviews form an intrinsic part of our priorities and Business Plan for 2014-15.

The Local Safeguarding Children Board function and role has been strengthened during this financial year with a new approach providing the systems for quality assurance, and learning and improvement. This will enable the assurance and coordination functions of the board to operate effectively. These had not previously been robust.

The LSCB has supported the transformation of key services this year, particularly in the Local Authority Children's Services. An achievement in this is the launch of Southampton's MASH, for which the LSCB has had oversight. The Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) is the single point of contact for all safeguarding concerns regarding children and young people in Southampton. It brings together expert professionals, called 'navigators', from services that have contact with children, young people and families, and makes the best possible use of their combined knowledge to keep children safe from harm. This is a unique MASH as it includes navigators from the voluntary sector, housing and adults services as well as children services police, probation and health – providing the opportunity for speedy response and full knowledge of the history and context for referrals and

concerns that are raised. Early results from the MASH are positive with 94% of referrals receiving a response within 24 hours. The LSCB will seek a full evaluation from the Local Authority once the MASH has been operational for its first quarter.

A further key feature of the transformation is the coordination of early help provision across services, essential in ensuring that serious and long term harm to children and young people is prevented. This vision is supported fully by the LSCB. The LSCB also supported the delivery of a well-received multi-agency conference with nationally acclaimed speakers on Early Intervention facilitating sessions with local professionals. The LSCB has endorsed the multi-agency Universal Help Assessment process and forms and has published these.

The LSCB has also received detail of Police structural changes this year and I have personally sought assurance from colleagues in Hampshire Constabulary regarding staffing levels where concerns were raised. I also met personally with the Police and Crime Commissioner to gain detail and assurance that this will not have a negative impact on local provision of safeguarding children work.

The LSCB has this year published a local threshold document and documents detailing clear pathways to services at appropriate levels of intervention. Prior to agreement the LSCB discussed and debated the document and its contents, to ensure cross agency sign up. This now provides us as a partnership with the foundation of ensuring to ensure that all understand their role and responsibility to protect children.

A robust quality assurance system is now in place ensuring that the LSCB receives regular information in both qualitative and quantitative formats. Periodic reports from the statutory safeguarding services and Section 11 audits are received from partners to an agreed schedule. I have been personally able to attend all meetings to review these to seek assurance of the quality of provision in the City. We have agreed a headline data set which has been the starting point to achieve regular quantitative information to the main LSCB, this is being developed into a more sophisticated set as work progresses. I am confident that these provide the LSCB with a robust process to quality assure local services.

The LSCB agreed at the end of this year to provide additional resources to improve the Multi-Agency Learning and Development Offer. This followed a thorough audit of current provision which identified issues which the Board is resolving by regaining ownership of an LSCB calendar of training and learning opportunities for all partners. I look forward to reporting on improvements to attendance and content of the local courses and in seeing the impact of this in outcomes for children and young people and their families.

In the period covered by this report there was a degree of instability in the management of the Board, with the departure of the previous Chair and a time when the Board was chaired on an interim basis. Despite this, a very great deal has happened. I was appointed as the new independent chair (in late October 2013) and a new Board Manager and Coordinator also came into post to help steer the work of the Board. We have undertaken a fundamental review of the membership of the Board and the working practices of both the Board and the sub-groups reporting to it. The priorities of the Board as set out in the annual Business Plan have been carefully refreshed following our Business Planning day which involved reporting of key data by partners to evidence outcomes for children and young people.

We have set a continuous agenda for development and change this year within the Board and this has been met with a positive response from all the partners. A great deal has been achieved since October 2013, with the progress made between then and the end of March being further shown in

this report. This progress continues into the 2014/15 year and I look forward to reporting on that in next year's Annual Report.

The Board has concentrated on making sure that all partners have a strong and equal role in the running of the safeguarding system in the City and on extending this partnership to include children and young people themselves in planning and service delivery. We have made progress in making sure that our messages reach the wider Southampton community so that we can hear from all those sections of the community.

I feel that the Board is now an integral part of the robust Governance arrangements across the City, well managed and effectively delivering a governance and assurance role to the partnership. This is a great position to be in as we continue our improvement journey and I will take this opportunity to extend my thanks to all the members of the Board for their commitment and hard work in this period.

Keith Makin

Independent Chair of the Southampton LSCB.

Introduction

This report is produced by Southampton Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) in accordance with legislation and national statutory guidance in Working Together 2013 which requires the LSCB to produce and publish an annual report on the effectiveness of safeguarding in the local area.

The annual report addresses progress from the period April 2013-March 2014. The report follows the guidance issued by the Association of Independent Local Safeguarding Children Board Chairs with regards to its format.

Legislative framework

Under the requirements of the Children Act 2004, the LSCB is the key statutory mechanism for agreeing how the relevant organisations in Southampton will co-operate to safeguard and promote the welfare of children in its locality. Section 13 sets out the requirement for the establishment of an LSCB and specifies the organisations and individuals to be involved.

The core objectives of the LSCB are to:

- Co-ordinate what is done by each person or body represented on the Board to safeguard and promote the welfare of children, and
- Ensure the effectiveness of what is done by each such person or body for those purposes (s14(1) Children Act 2004)

Regulation 5 of the Local Safeguarding Regulations 2006 sets out the functions of the Board in order to fulfil those responsibilities:

The Board is required to develop policies and procedures for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people in its area. These include;

- *Thresholds for intervention*
- *Training for people who work with children*
- *Recruitment and supervision of people who work with children*
- *Investigations of allegations against people who work with children*
- *Safety and welfare of children in private fostering*
- *Cooperation with neighbouring authorities*

LSCB's are also required to:

- *Raise awareness across partners and communities of the need to promote and safeguard the welfare of children and how best to do this.*
- *Monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of what is done by the authority and their Board partners individually and collectively to safeguard and promote the welfare of and advising them on ways to improve outcomes for them*

The Board also has a lead role in planning of services for children and young people.

The Board must undertake Serious Case Reviews and advise the Authority and partners of lessons to be learned.

Boards may also engage in any activity which facilitates or is conducive to fulfilling its objectives. Full details of the roles and responsibilities of LSCBs are outlined in Chapter 3 of Working Together to Safeguard Children 2013

Guiding Principles

In December 2013 Southampton LSCB agreed 7 Guiding Principles that will be adhered to in all LSCB work and functions. The principles are that the LSCB will be:

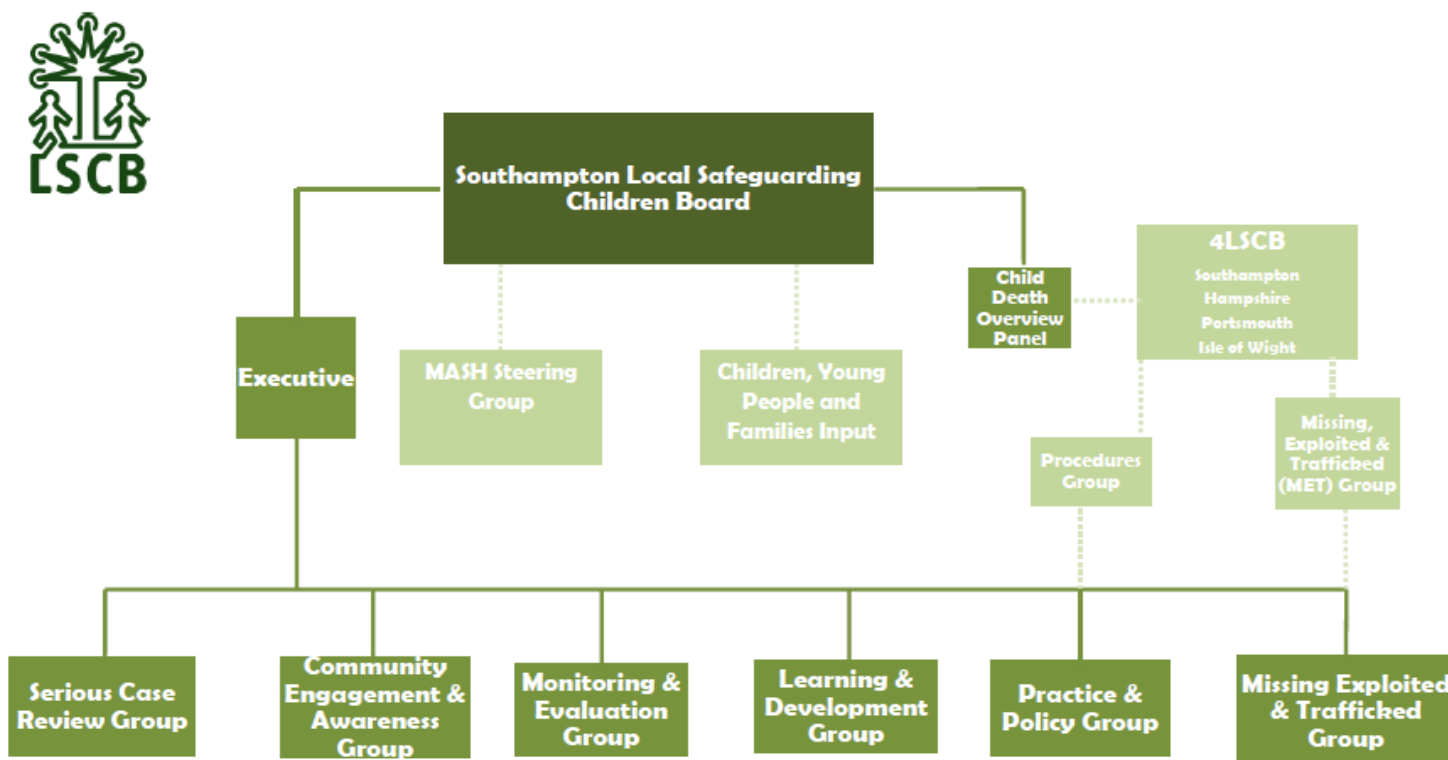
1. Strategic
 - Taking a broader and longer view
 - Thinking thematically
 - Being evidence based
2. Communicative
 - Engaging with communities
 - Listening to children and young people
 - Listening to young families
 - Informing the public and media
3. Open
 - Constructively challenging each other
 - Acting as “critical friends”
 - Developing trust
 - Being able to say things or ask questions without fear of ridicule
4. Focused
 - Acting non-bureaucratically
5. Quality assuring
 - Monitoring progress
 - Ambitious
6. Risk managing
 - Identifying potential risks
 - Monitoring risks
 - Taking corrective actions
7. Resilient
 - Being relentlessly attentive
 - Keeping with core aims, not chopping and changing.

Structure & Governance

Structure

The LSCB delivered a 'health check' of its functions and activities in the Summer 2013. This involved a review of the constitution and membership for the LSCB, and a refresh of the terms of reference and membership for the Executive Group and each of the Sub Groups to ensure the Board functions effectively. Changes to reporting mechanisms were made with the Chairs of each Sub Group reporting to the Executive Group meeting to ensure progress on the Business Plan could be regularly monitored. In addition this allows for issues and good practice to be raised from the Sub Group level – including from frontline professionals, audit and data reports and community engagement activity directly. Issues can then be resolved or escalated to the main Board meeting where required.

This work has ensured that the LSCB is focussed in its efforts to deliver its statutory functions and key priorities for improvement, identified through local and national case review learning and evidence that is presented to the Board. The Structure of Southampton LSCB is presented below:



NB the Child Death Overview Panel is operated on a 4LSCB basis, the CDOP produces a separate annual report which can be viewed when published on <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/cdop>.

Governance

The LSCB constitution was revised in 2013. This sets out the membership, objectives and functions of the board in accordance with the Children Act 2004 and Working Together 2013.

The LSCB employed Keith Makin as its Independent Chair from October 2013. From July to October an interim arrangement was in place whereby the Associate Director for Solent NHS was chairing. Prior to this Donald McPhail was employed to be Independent Chair.

The Independent Chair is responsible for:

- Chairing the Board's bi-monthly meetings
- Chairing of the Executive Group
- Receiving referrals and using the statutory criteria, deciding where to instigate Serious Case Reviews
- Attending meetings to receive Section 11 reviews and other audit activities
- Providing direction on emerging issues – from serious case reviews and other learning and improvement work
- Attending and challenging other strategic partnerships and bodies including the Health and Wellbeing Board, Children and Young People's Trust Board, Community Safety Partnership, Family Justice Board and Corporate Parenting Board
- Supporting sub committees chairs to progress the business plan
- Supporting Southampton City Council's scrutiny function in relation to safeguarding.

Business function

The LSCB Business function is delivered by a full time Board Manager and Business Co-ordinator. There was a period of staff changes during this year. The post of Board Manager was vacant from March 2013 to June 2013 and Business Coordinator from May until September 2013. Southampton City Council Democratic Services provides continued clerical support to the LSCB Main Board and Executive Group.

Membership

In March 2014 the LSCB reviewed its membership to ensure optimum effectiveness of meetings and compliance with Working Together 2013. The revised list of members and their roles as well as advisors to the Board is given in the Appendix.

Finance

A pooled budget agreement is in place for the statutory partners, a revised version of this was agreed in 2014 to cover a 5 year period. The contributions received to the pooled budget in 2013-14 include additional contributions given additional pressures this financial year.

Contributions	£
Balance brought forward from 12/13	21,284
Primary care trust	31,790
Police	12,534
Hampshire Probation	2,505
CAFCASS	550
Southampton City Council	74,612
Area based grant (CDOP)	4,392
Supplementary contributions	
Health	(16,197)
Hampshire Probation	(1,167)
Police	(6,500)
CAFCASS	(334)
Southampton City Council	(39,977)
Total Income	(211,842)

Southampton

Southampton's total population is estimated as 242,141. Children and young people under the age of 20 years make up 23.9% of the population of Southampton¹.

Diversity

The 2011 Census reports the black and minority ethnic (BME) population of Southampton as 14.2% with 22.4% of the population reported as not White British. Recent estimates suggest the figure is more likely to be 18%. The highest proportion of the BME population is Asian British.

29% of school children are from a minority ethnic group 14.1% of school children do not have English as their first language. Polish (5.2%) is the most common alternative first language.

Poverty & Crime

Southampton is ranked 81st out of all 326 LA's in England in the overall Index of Multiple Deprivation 2010 (where one is the most deprived). Southampton has the 41st highest level of child poverty in England out of 326 local authorities with 27.5% of children in the city living in poverty.

Crime in Southampton is down year on year, as is violent crime.

Outcomes for Children in Southampton

The Child Health Profile² 2014 for Southampton provides a snapshot of child health in the city. This is summarised below. This information, along with key outcomes data from Children's Services, Police and Health services was presented to the LSCB at its Business Planning day in March 2014 to inform priority setting for the LSCB.

The text and graphs below highlight key areas for the LSCB to understand from this.

The Child Health profile for Southampton indicates that overall the health and wellbeing of children in Southampton is generally worse than the England average. It also states that infant and child mortality rates are similar to the England average.

¹ See www.southampton.gov.uk research and information pages

² See <http://www.chimat.org.uk/profiles>

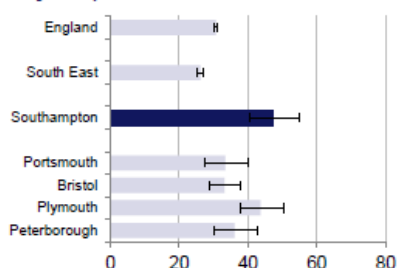
² European Union 27 average, 2009. Source: Eurostat

Information from the Child Health Profile for Southampton

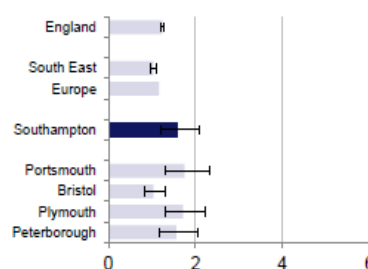
Teenage Pregnancy

Latest figures for teenage conception rates identify approximately 47 girls aged under 18 conceived for every 1,000 females aged 15-17 in Southampton. This is an improving picture for the City but represents a higher than regional and England average rate. In 2012/13, 1.6% of women giving birth in Southampton were aged under 18 years. This is higher than the regional average. Southampton has a similar percentage of births to teenage girls compared with the England average but a higher percentage compared with the European average of 1.2%³. The graphs below represent this information pictorially:

Teenage conceptions in girls aged under 18 years, 2011 (rate per 1,000 female population aged 15-17 years)



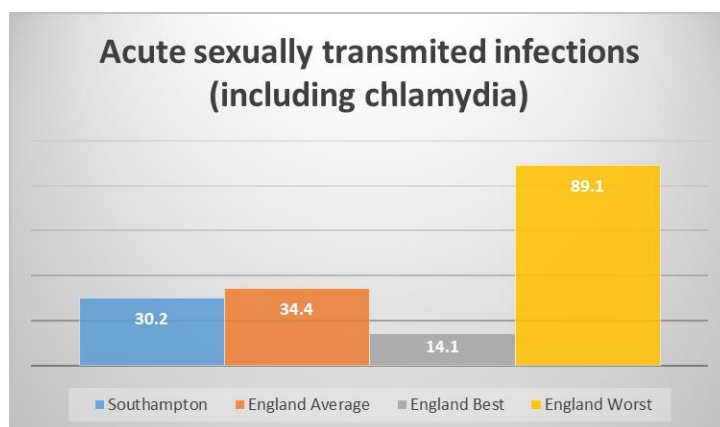
Teenage mothers aged under 18 years, 2012/13 (percentage of all deliveries)



The LSCB will request further details of the continued work being carried out to address teenage pregnancy during 2014-15.

Sexually Transmitted Infections

Southampton has lower than the England average rate for sexually transmitted infections in young people aged 15-24 years, there were 1,459 acute sexually transmitted infection diagnoses reported in the Child Health Profile, representing a rate of 30.2 diagnoses for every 1,000 people in this age range – the graph below represents this:



Road Traffic Accidents

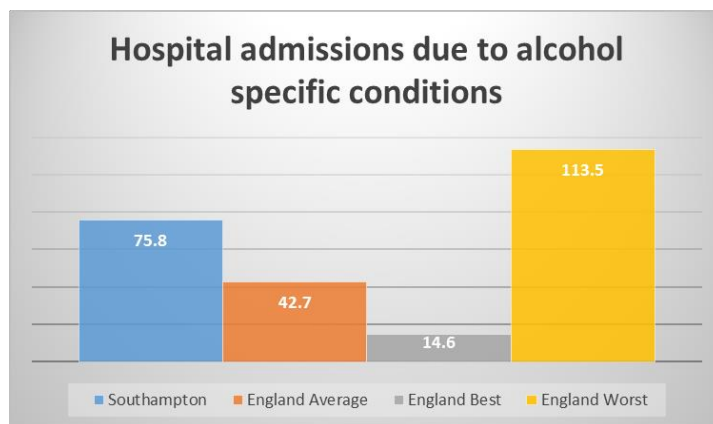
The rate of children and young people killed or seriously injured in road traffic accidents is significantly worse in Southampton than the England average, with a rate of 35.5 children per 100,000 of the population compared to 20.7 as a national average.



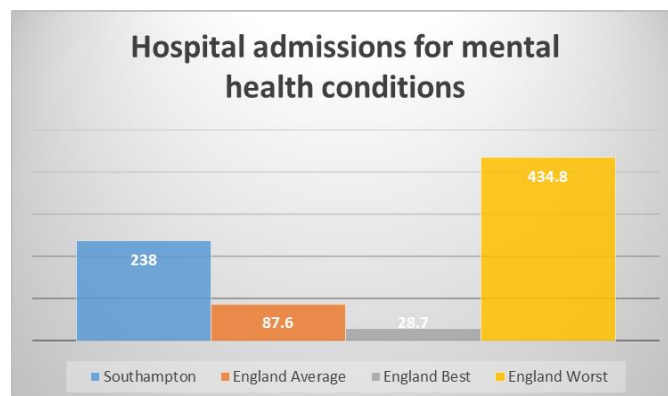
The LSCB will request further details of the local picture of road traffic accidents involving children and young people and identify areas to action through its Community Engagement and Awareness Group.

Hospital Admissions

The rate of young people under 18 who were admitted to hospital because they have a condition wholly related to alcohol such as alcohol overdose is lower in this period compared to previous periods but is higher than the England average. 35 young people were admitted which equates to 75.8 per 100,000 compared to the national average of 42.7.

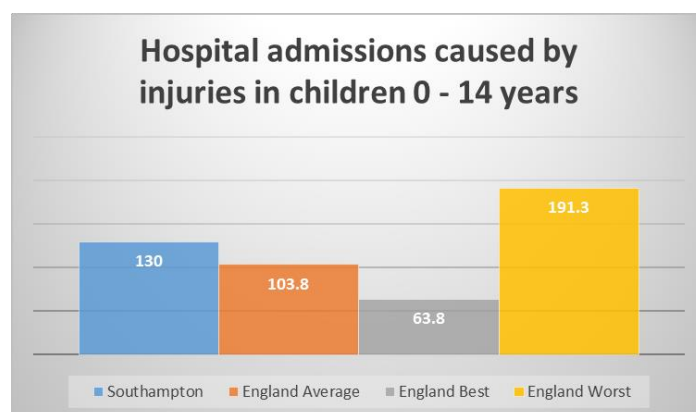


The rate of young people aged age 0-17 years admitted to hospital for mental health issues is significantly higher in Southampton than the England average. 112 people were admitted which equates to a rate of 238 per 100,000 compared to 87.6 national average.



The rate of those aged 10 to 24 years who are admitted to hospital as a result of self-harm is similar to previous periods but is higher than the England average. Nationally, levels of self-harm are higher among young women than young men.

514 Children aged 0-14 were admitted as an emergency to hospital due to injuries. This is significantly higher than the national average at 130 per 10,000 of the population compared to a national average of 103.8.



The LSCB is seeking further details of these issues in its reports from Health Services to the Monitoring and Evaluation Group and main LSCB meetings during 2014-15.

Domestic Violence and Abuse

Domestic violence accounts for 20% of all violent crimes in the City. The number of cases at MARAC is double the national average and a recent audit of children subject of a Child Protection plan defined 80% of the families as having domestic violence as a feature. 117 GP referrals were made to IRIS – a domestic abuse service linked to GP surgery’s in 2013-14.

The LSCB has agreed that DVA will be a priority area for action this coming financial year. A sub group of the LSCB has been established, also feeding into the Southampton Safe City Partnership to identify key issues, build a coordinated response and to assure the LSCB of the situation relating to DVA and safeguarding children.

Serious Sexual Offences

Serious Sexual Offences 2013/2014	Total Offences	Historic		Under 18		Domestic		Night Time Economy	
		No	% of Total	No	% of Total	No	% of Total	No	% of Total
Southampton	241	49	40%	88	59%	22	54%	36	88%
Eastleigh	53	30	24%	24	16%	10	24%	2	5%
Romsey	13	9	7%	8	5%	1	2%	1	2%
New Forest	57	35	28%	28	19%	8	20%	2	5%
TOTAL	364	123	34%	148	41%	41	11%	41	11%
% Change	-2%	15%	-	-7%	-	33%	-	-11%	-

Serious Sexual Offences in Southampton during this year total 241, with 88 victims under 18. Southampton's biggest risk area for Serious Sexual Offences is Under 18's. Southampton has seen a slight increase in Serious Sexual offences overall by 8% (17 offences) however in the under 18's category Southampton had no increase during this period.

The Under 18 category contributes heavily to historic offences. The most common relationship between the victim and offender in Under 18 category is acquaintance. An emerging trend across the districts is apparent from Police data where Under 18 females are attending house parties and are intoxicated. This could link to indicators of Child Sexual Exploitation.

The LSCB will receive and review details of these findings in early 2014-15. Action to review Southampton's figures regularly will be agreed.

Missing Children and Young People

	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Total
Total Young Mispers	91	128	121	114	102	110	116	85	0	95	93	124	1179
Total Young Misper Episodes	130	182	192	190	169	180	204	140	0	157	156	221	1921
Total Young Repeat Mispers	22	27	24	32	19	25	38	22	0	29	30	33	301
Total Young Repeat Episodes	61	81	95	108	86	95	126	77	0	91	93	130	1043

The Police data above shows the numbers of children and young people going missing during 2013-14. There were a total of 1179 young people reported missing on 1921 episodes. There were 301 young people with repeat cases of going missing during the year. Further analysis will be delivered in 2014-15 to identify the profile of these cases, to identify trends / themes and high risk groups to target interventions. This work will be led by the Missing, Exploited and Trafficked (MET) sub group of the LSCB.

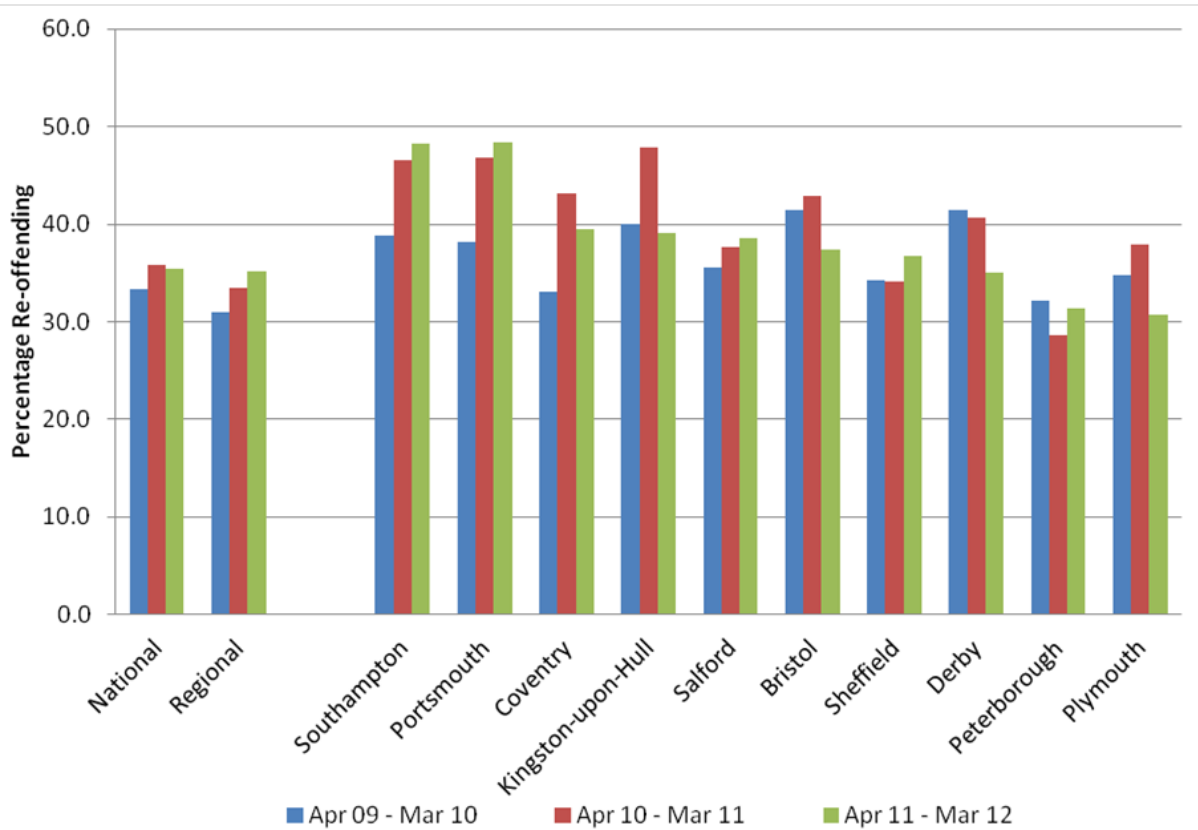
Youth Offending

Southampton young people are more likely than their peers to enter the criminal justice system and are more likely to reoffend.

Although there is still some way to go before Southampton's custody rate aligns with the national average, there has been consistent improvement over the past year, with a reduction of 30% from the previous year's figure. The YOS met its target for 2013 / 14 to reduce the custody rate to >1.00 per 1,000 10 to 17 years population.

Work to further improve the custody rate in 2014 will involve the implementation of the recommendations made after a Youth Justice Board (YJB) review of custodial sentences in 2013 and the inclusion of the lead youth magistrate on the YOS Management Board.

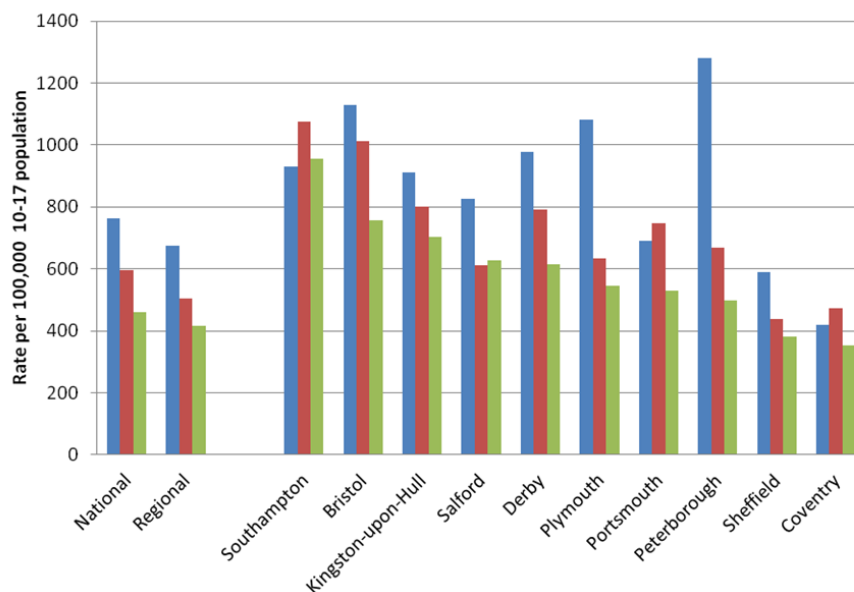
Re-offending Rates:



The re-offending rate in Southampton has remained above the national average at around 49%, based on historic Police data. Real time data is more positive. Local analysis of re-offending by the 2012 / 13 cohort in 2013 / 14 puts the re-offending rate at 46%. Whilst the downward trend is positive, significant improvement is still required.

The YOS participation in the Youth Justice Board Re-offending Pilot has been the basis for a comprehensive action plan that is subject to quarterly review by the YOS management board

First time entrants



The YOS target for reducing first time entrants in 2013 / 14 was 10%; the final reduction was 7%, based on historic PNC data. Southampton's rate is still significantly higher than both the national and regional averages – and is the highest of any of its comparator YOTs.

In 2013 / 14, through work with Hampshire Constabulary, the YOS identified that many young people receiving Youth Community Resolution (YCR) were not being referred to YOS by police officers. Assessed in conjunction with the YJB re-offending Project outcome that the re-offending rate in the Southampton out of court tier was high; this prompted the YOS to revise its out of court disposal screening arrangements. The YOS Police Officer now reviews all relevant cases; which will increase the number of YCR receiving intervention.

For those cases on the cusp of formal disposal: a Joint Decision Making Panel, with YOS and police representation, meets on a weekly basis to decide if diversion is appropriate. Young people are bailed for a period no longer than two weeks pending the decision. A YOS clinic at Southampton's central police station operates to ensure swift contact with young people after the disposals have been administered. It is strongly assessed that, as a result of these developments, the PNC data will show a notable reduction in the FTE rate towards the end of 2014 / 15.

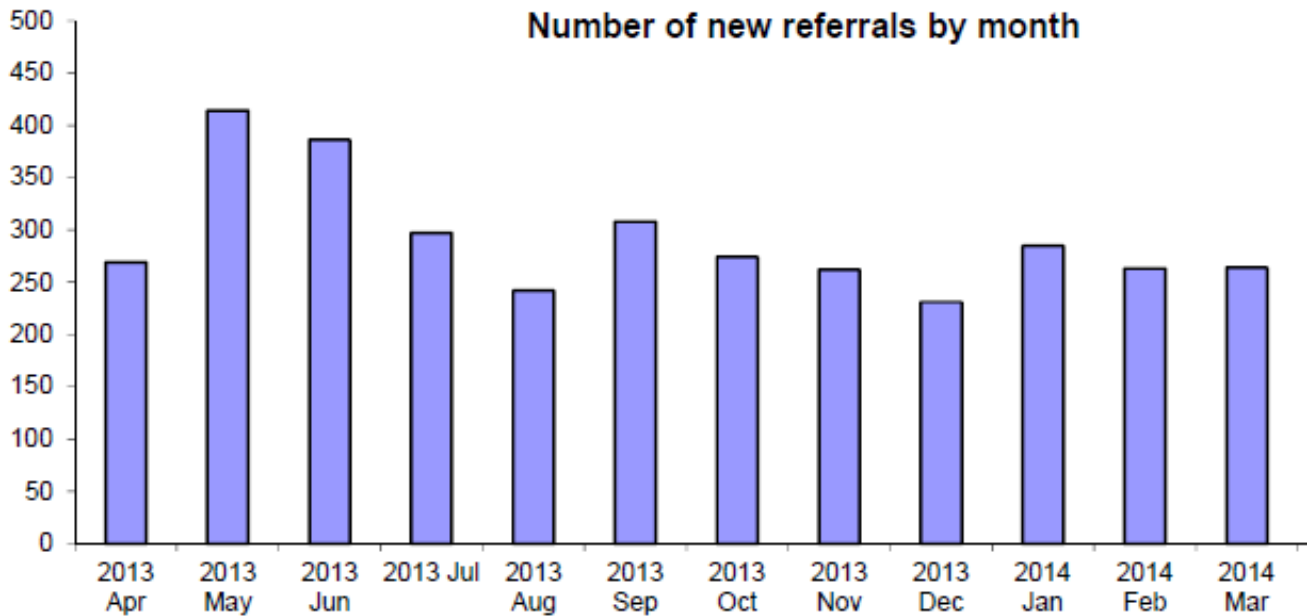
The LSCB receives regularly information from the Youth Offending Service in Southampton, this is fed into the Monitoring and Evaluation Sub Group of the LSCB.

Young People Not In Education or Employment (NEET)

20% of the population of Southampton are aged 16-24 and they experience 13% unemployment. Further NEET Data to be added.

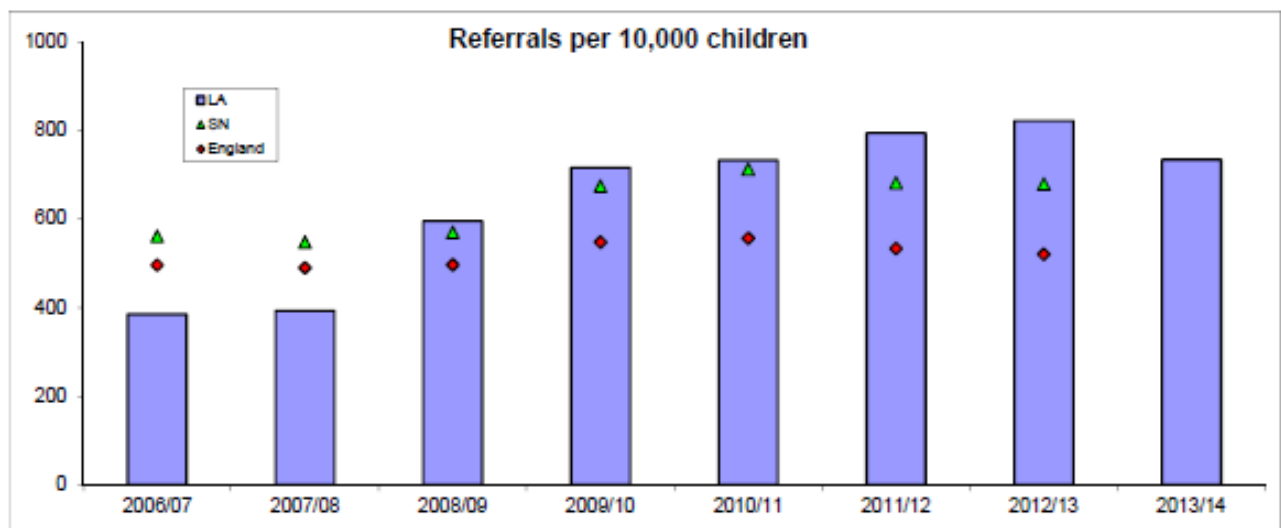
Children in Need of Help and Protection

Children's Services received a total of 3495 contacts regarding safeguarding children in 2013-14. This is a rate of 734 per 10,000 of the population, compared to 679 per 10,000 experienced by Southampton's statistical neighbours in 2012-13 (2013-14 is not yet available).



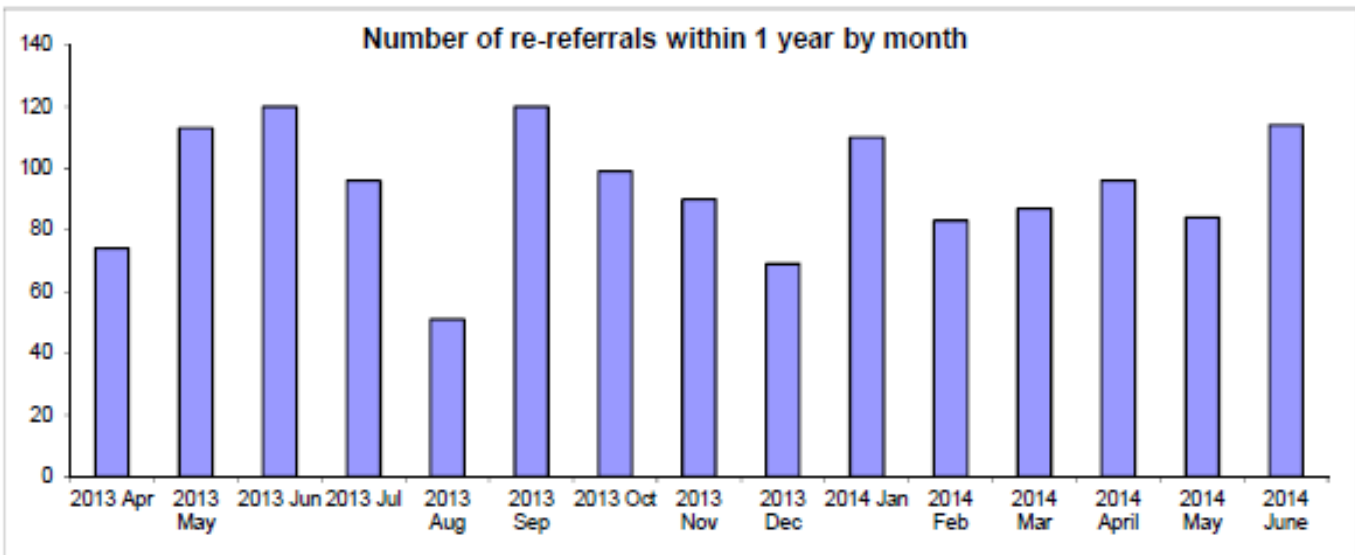
Rate of referrals

		2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Referrals per 10,000 children	LA	385	393	596	717	733	794	822	734
	SN	561	548	570	675	713	682	679	n/a
	England	496	490	497	548	557	534	521	n/a



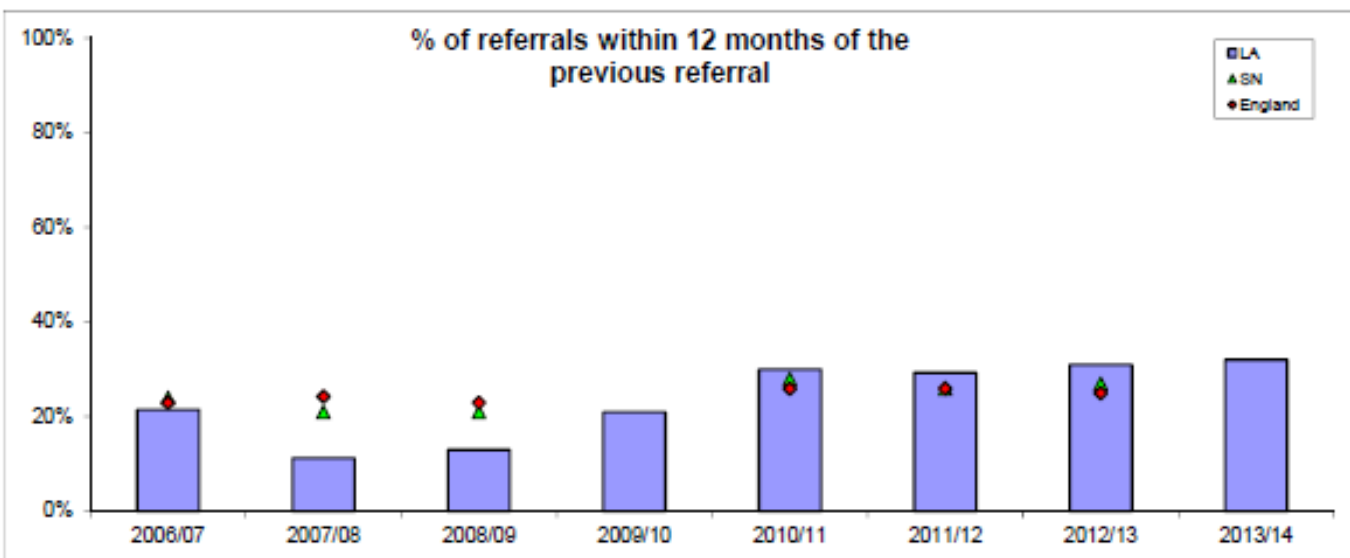
Southampton Children Services experienced a repeat referral rate of 31% being re referred within 12 months, a similar rate to last year (31%) but above the average for statistical neighbours (27% in 2012-13).

Number of referrals that are re-referrals within 1 year



% of referrals that are re-referrals within 1 year

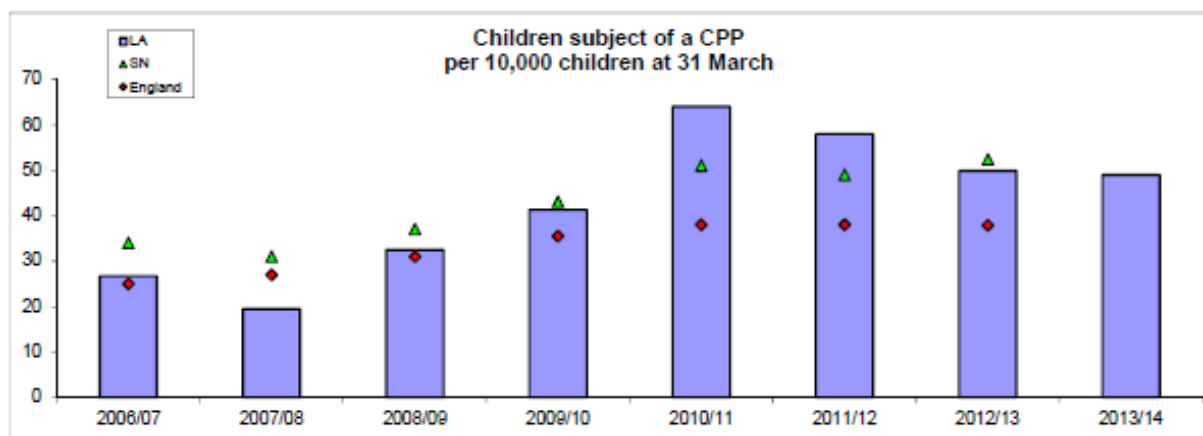
	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
% of referrals during the year within 12 months of a previous referral	22%	11%	13%	21%	30%	29%	31%	32%
LA	22%	11%	13%	21%	30%	29%	31%	32%
SN	24%	21%	21%	n/a	28%	26%	27%	n/a
England	23%	24%	23%	n/a	26%	26%	25%	n/a



At the end of March 2014, 235 children and young people were subject to child protection planning. This is a rate of 49 per 10,000 of the population, slightly below the rate experienced by statistical neighbours the previous year.

Rate (per 10,000) of Children with a Child Protection Plan

		2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Children per 10,000 at 31 March	LA	27	20	33	41	64	58	50	49
	SN	34	31	37	43	51	49	52	n/a
	England	25	27	31	36	38	38	38	n/a

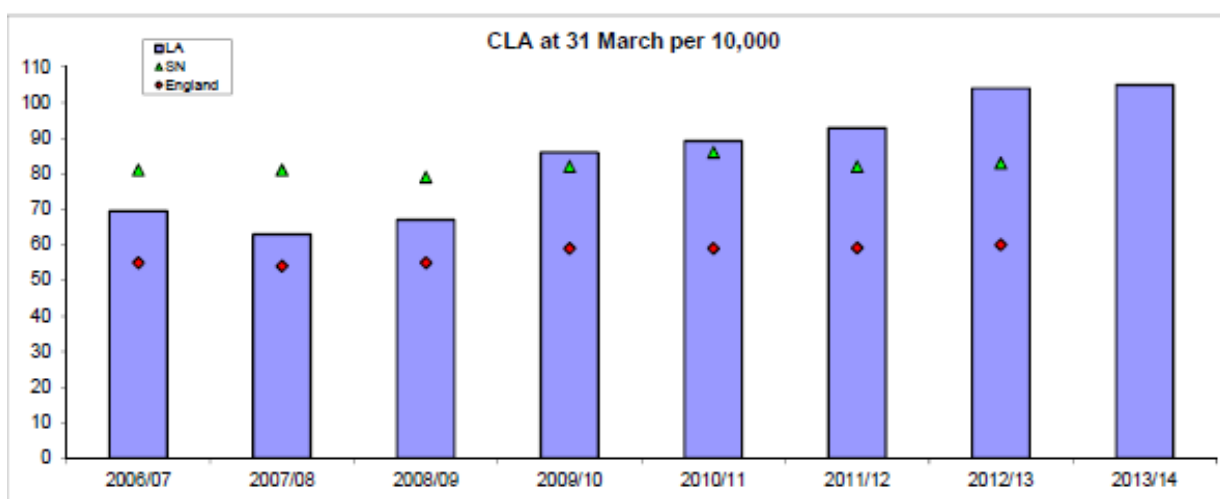


Looked After Children

The children of Southampton are more likely to be looked after than their peers. At the end of 2013-14 there were 501 children looked after, equating to 105 per 10,000 of the population, the statistical neighbour average (albeit for 2012/13, latest figures not available at the time of writing) was 83 per 10,000.

Rate (per 10,000) of Children Looked After at end of period

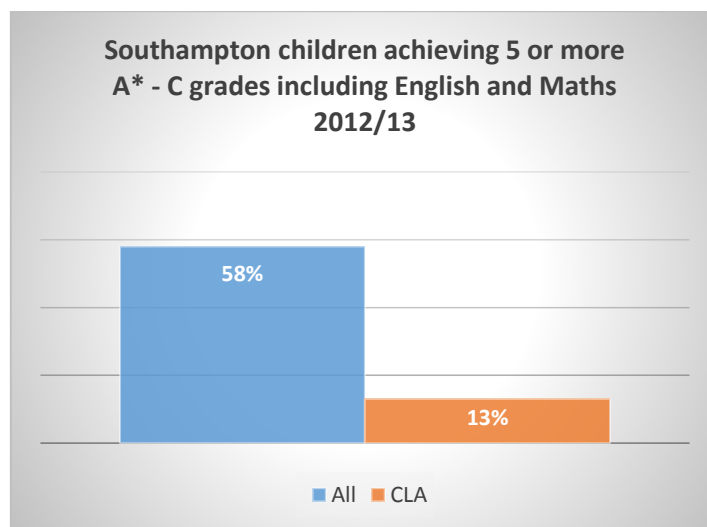
		2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
CLA at 31 March per 10,000 population 0 to 17 yrs	LA	70	63	67	86	89	93	104	105
	SN	81	81	79	82	86	82	83	n/a
	England	55	54	55	59	59	59	60	n/a



Southampton's Looked After Children are generally in more stable placements than others, the City is a low user of residential care and fewer children than other areas are placed more than 25 miles from their home. There are 454 in house foster carer placements in the City.

The outcomes for our Care Leavers are improving but have been poor historically.

Education & Attainment



In 2013 58% of Southampton pupils achieved 5+ GCSE A* - C which was similar to the Core Cities and a significant improvement in recent years. The attainment of Children Looked After was significantly lower at 13%.

The City is proud of its early years provision, schools and further education establishments, and with two universities; University of Southampton and Southampton Solent University; the City provides the opportunity for high quality education throughout life.

The majority of Southampton schools are graded good or better by Ofsted, 78% in 2014 (national 76%). 100% of special schools and PRUs good or better. All three colleges in the City are graded good.

However boys fare less well and our children's (and particularly children deemed to be in need) school attendance continues to be problematic. Overall school absence was 5.9% in 12/13 – unverified incomplete data for 13/14 suggests we have improved significantly as have the level of temporary exclusions which were unacceptably high.

The LSCB will receive information from Children and Families Services in 2014-15 to monitor and evaluate progress and influence action on key children's outcomes including Education attainment.

Learning Opportunities

Serious Case Review learning during this year has clearly highlighted key themes for improvements across the partnership. The LSCB has received learning and, once all reviews are published will give details of the findings and the LSCB response and action plan on our website (www.southampton.lscb.org.uk). Themes for learning from the current reviews are reflected in the following summary headlines. The detail within the Overview Reports and LSCB response for these issues will inform the Business Plan and work of the LSCB in 2014-15.

1. Using Child Protection Procedures Effectively
2. Neglect
3. Escalation of concerns
4. Staffing and Supervision
5. Thinking Family
6. Health Issues
7. Diversity
8. Elective Home Education
9. Rapid Response to Child Death
10. Liaison with other areas
11. Family involvement.

Priorities for the LSCB

Reflecting on the learning from recent Serious Case Reviews, the Outcomes for Children Data and progress by Services and the LSCB in Southampton, it is clear that there are themes that should inform the current and future priorities for the LSCB to drive improvements. These are based on the summary list above:

1. Ensure a coordinated approach and response key safeguarding issues, including:
 - **Neglect**
 - **Domestic & Sexual Violence and Abuse** – reflecting violence against women and girls agenda
 - **Missing, exploited and trafficked young people** – considering impact of serious sexual offences to under 18's.

This approach should include measuring effectiveness of provision, raising awareness of risks, indicators and ensuring clear thresholds and pathways to services.
2. Ensure that the Board and partners, professionals and the community are; **Thinking Family** in approach to safeguarding – considering impacts of adult issues (substance use, alcohol, learning disability and mental health) and ensuring 'child first'.
3. Ensuring effective use of **4ISCB child protection procedures**
4. **Recognising the diverse population of Southampton and its children**, reflecting this in the work of the LSCB. Targeting work where needed and ensuring appropriateness of responses.
5. Reinforcing the message that **Safeguarding is Everybody's Business**
6. **Raising aspirations and closing the gap** in outcomes for our Looked After Children
7. **Raising awareness of key child safety issues** – such as road accidents and accidents in the home.

In addition, remaining action and priorities from the previous business plan will be carried forward.

The LSCB role is to both quality assure and coordinate responses and should therefore take a leadership role in delivering both for these issues within its work. These priorities, along with those identified in national learning, research and best practice will inform the Business Plan for 2014 -15.

Southampton Services Performance

This section summarises key work for partner agencies in 2013-14 where information was submitted for the purposes of this report.

Southampton City Council – Children and Families Services (including Early Help, Education and Youth Offending)

The Children’s Services Transformation Programme (CSTP) was formally launched by the Local Authority in September 2013 with involvement from other LSCB key partners particularly health, police and voluntary sector. The CSTP has begun to transform and redesign service provision in order to deliver a vision laid out below:

“An Early Intervention City with a multi-agency, integrated service provision that works to ensure children's needs are met at the earliest stage. Where possible, and children's welfare is assured, these needs will be met within their family and community resources.”

This aims to reduce the number of children, young people and their families requiring high level support at Tiers 3 and 4 thus improving the quality of life for children and families and reducing overall cost of service delivery. The 7 key themes for the Transformation are:

- A good education for all
- The earliest help
- Integrated, co-managed, co-located, seamless services
- Evidence based practice
- Good quality care provision for Looked After Children (LAC)
- Stronger Quality Assurance (QA)
- Our workforce to be better trained and supported

Progress in 2013/14

- Working groups were established to deliver on each key theme. Phase 1 of the transformation is complete and Phase 2 was launched in May 2014.
- Re-designed senior management structure and changed the way services delivered to families. This included the creation of a new integrated Children and Families Service bringing together Children’s Safeguarding, Education and Inclusion Services.
- Launching the Southampton Multi-agency Safeguarding Hub in March 2014 providing a more efficient and effective front-door service - this is already demonstrating impact on the pace and quality of decision making on referrals.
- The Pre-birth to 4 years and 5 to 19 Years Early Help Service was established supporting the partnership to deliver the earliest possible help to families.
- The Integrated Family Assessment and Intervention Service (IFAIS) was launched. This exciting new service combines the functions of specialist family assessment and intervention, facilitated contact and the very successful Behaviour Resource Service’s therapeutic services for children and families.

- Strengthened our performance management systems leading to increased management oversight within front-line teams. This will continue to be a key area of focus for 2014/15.
- We developed the Quality Assurance Business Unit and created a Quality Assurance Framework in line with national best practice. The framework assures the quality of internal service provision and will lead to improved practice. The framework also includes Workforce Development and the creation of a Professional Development framework. All managers attended an intensive coaching programme as part of our new professional development offer.
- From November 2013, we started to use the Strengthening Families model of child protection conferencing. This innovative style of conferencing focuses on the strengths of a family and allows families, children and young people to feel included and have their views heard. Feedback from families using the new model has been very positive.
- The LAC and Care Leavers Strategy was launched and the Corporate Parenting Committee reinvigorated driving service improvements for this group of children and young people.
- The Fostering and Adoption Service have devised and begun to implement improvement plans. More children were placed for adoption over the year.
- We planned for the new Ofsted Single Inspection Framework. A working group was established and we learned from other LA's who have been through the process.

Inspire – Learning and Development:

761 people attended Inspire Safeguarding courses. Inspire also offered 15 bespoke sessions to schools and settings. This data is supplied to the LSCB quarterly, broken down per quarter. All Inspire courses are evaluated to show how delegate's knowledge has increased.

Families Matter (Troubled Families) Programme:

The Department for Communities and local Government issued a data release on in May 2014 that identified Local Authorities progress with Troubled Families identification and families turned around at the end of March 2014. The data release identified;

- Total number of families for each Local Authority to work with during the course of the 3-year programme (685 for Southampton).
- The number of families Local Authorities had identified for the Troubled Families program as at the end of March 2014.
- The number of families 'worked with' as at the end of March 2014.
- Total number of families turned around (payment by results achieved) as at the end of March 2014.

Additional analysis of this data has been carried out to illustrate the proportion and rank of families that have achieved each indicator. Southampton has identified 100% of the number of families that are required to be worked with within the three years of the program. Southampton has started to work with 100% of its three year target as at the end of March 2014. This was 17.7% above the National average of 82.3% achieving a rank of joint 1st with 21 other Local Authorities out of a total of 152.

59.0% (404 no.) of Troubled Families within Southampton have been turned around as at the end of March 2014. This is almost twice the National average of 33.4% achieving a National rank of 7th out of 152 Local Authorities. The November 2013 data release by the DCLG indicated Southampton had achieved a 41.3% turn around with a rank of 5th out of 152 Local Authorities. This indicates Southampton continues to perform strongly compared to other Local Authorities.

Early Years Services:

A Setting Stories is currently completed annually by the Early Years' Support Team and manager/owner of the setting. It identifies areas of development and good practice in line with current legislation and the Early Years' Foundation Stage Framework. The Setting Story, uses a RAG rated system, where it identifies areas where the setting is meeting statutory requirements in the Early Years Foundation Stage (amber rating), outstanding practice shown as green, and red is where practice needs to improve. This RAG rating clearly identifies areas of development and where advice and guidance is needed. The results from the Setting Stories for 2014 are reported to the LSCB Monitoring and Evaluation Group and the results show:

- 97% of managers have had higher level safeguarding training in the last 2 years which has improved managers' understanding of how to manage an allegation against a staff member.
- There has been an improvement in the number of practitioners who have attended safeguarding training although there has been a drop in additional safeguarding short courses.
- Although there has not been a change in the percentage of practitioners who do not have an up to date understanding of safeguarding and promoting children's welfare, the majority of practitioners, 96% do.
- This year has seen an increase by 21%, in the number of settings who have effective systems in place regarding visitors.
- Overall there seems to have been a slip in the processes and procedures around employing, inducting and supervision of staff members. However, there has been an improvement in managers taking up DBSs before staff members starting work, managers have undergone safer recruitment practice training and supervisions have improved.
- A monthly safeguarding poster is sent to Early Years' providers to display in their setting in areas used by staff, this has included one around whistle blowing policy and procedures.
- Early years' providers attended workshops around Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) and the Early Help service. These have also been agenda items at Lead practitioner meetings.
- Moving to working on a more targeted way, and amendments to Nursery Funding Agreement, will lead to Setting stories only being completed with provision judged by Ofsted to be less than good, and with other settings which request this input.

Southampton Health Services

During 2013-14 Southampton Health Services⁴ carried out the following activities to support safeguarding work and their role on the LSCB:

- Ensure identification risks and vulnerabilities in families are identified and documented appropriately in GP practices (READ coded) by delivering training, development of policy and guidance aligned with RCGP/NSPCC toolkit and statutory guidance.
- Delivered a GP Safeguarding Audit and reported this to the LSCB Monitoring and Evaluation Group

⁴ This includes the Southampton City Clinical Commissioning Group, University Hospitals Foundation Trust – including Emergency Department and Maternity Services, NHS England (Wessex Area), Solent NHS Trust including Health Visiting and School Nursing and Southern Health Foundation Trust – including Adult Mental Health services.

- Delivered bespoke training for individual GP practices (Level 3) and multi-agency days to include HBV, FGM, FM and CSE.
- Attended multi-agency groups including for missing, exploited and trafficking issues, domestic violence and abuse
- Supported development of the MASH and ensured a Health Navigator Role
- Reviewed domestic abuse services and proposed a new model for the City to work towards
- Developed safeguarding standards for inclusion in voluntary independent and private providers (approved by LSCB) and developed mechanisms for quality assurance of safeguarding standards
- Provided expertise to all SCR panels and disseminated learning across organisations
- Confirmed arrangements for the Designated Doctor for Child Deaths to improve support to rapid response and CDOP processes.
- Named GP from Wessex area team to support GPs and dentists in improving safeguarding awareness and standards
- Continued funding of the IRIS (Identification and Referral to Improve Safety) a Domestic Violence and Abuse project to improve early identification and referral.
- Improved the referral process for GPs to midwives to ensure safeguarding risks in families are identified and communicated at the earliest possible stage in a child's life.
- Reviewed in house training programmes, ensuring they covered all key areas for all different groups of staff and to improve on overall safeguarding compliance.
- Reviewed the Health Visitor liaison role in ED and further streamline referral processes to ensure all vulnerable children in need are followed up.
- Refreshed UHS Safeguarding Proforma to ensure better capture of the voice of the child.

Probation Services

- Management of MAPPA cases at all levels
- Involvement in the roll out and training for MASH
- Involvement in Serious Case reviews as report authors
- Improvements made in monitoring of home visits and purpose
- Joint home visits made by Children's Services and Probation staff
- Senior Probation Officer involvement in Sexual exploitation group
- Continued attendance at joint training events
- Ensuring DV and safeguarding issues are married up.

Voluntary & Community Organisations –

No Limits:

- Providing open access to young people which is safe and welcoming, offering them a chance to talk and be heard by trained staff, be given correct and up-to-date information on issues, giving advice and making appropriate referrals following disclosures / identified safeguarding issues / concerns to external agencies, including safeguarding referrals to multi-agency response teams including MASH, MARAC, IDVA, Police etc.
- Offering free access to sexual health services including use of Risk Assessment Tool (RAT), condom distribution, access to chlamydia screening, working with CASH / Solent, signposting to emergency contraception pharmacies. Making referrals for identified at-risk young people
- Assessing young people at risk of CSE, DV, abuse and neglect and referring to Right 2B Safe (R2BS) – working in partnership with Barnardo's
- DASH service for YP 11-19 – specialist substance misuse service offering treatment and counselling to YP

- Linking in with CAMHs supporting young people experiencing mental health issues as part of city-wide response
- Training and updating staff and partner agencies on issues including local protocols e.g. neglect, bruising
- Working in partnership with other statutory agencies, including police to safeguard YP and prevent crime
- Working to safeguard homeless YP – partnership with city housing / homeless teams and No Second Night Out partnership (emergency accommodation)
- Bright Beginnings – supporting young parents / parents-to-be in forming bonds / attachment with babies ensuring positive start to child-parent relationships – working with midwifery teams and Family Nurse Partnership
- Take part in multi-agency training – both attending and delivering, e.g. BLAST training for city social workers and EWOs on sexual exploitation of boys and young men
- Part of strategic group for MASH supporting voluntary sector navigator with access to No Limits YP database
- Working in partnership with Hants Police sharing intelligence on hotspots, perpetrators, known vulnerable YP, working with MISPER coordinator
- Contributing to LSCB subgroups on missing, exploited and trafficked young people and various other LSCB initiatives
- Providing YP with safe space on drop-ins including food, showers, access to laundry, clean clothes, in winter coats, hats, gloves, scarves
- Supporting young parents to access services including benefits, Sure Start, parenting courses, Families Matter, health visitors.

Barnardo's:

- Direct 1:1 work with young people and their families – offering return interviews to children and young people that go missing.
- Multi-agency working and training providing 26 training sessions across Southampton, we have co-facilitated Southampton CSE conference, provided Chelsea's Choice to 4 Southampton schools
- Raise awareness of key safeguarding issues amongst the public
- Deliver of group sessions with Youth Offending Service
- Internal and external staff supervision as well as group supervisions
- A key strategic and operational partner for the LSCB in the area Child Sexual Exploitation. Regular meetings with police, social care and other key agencies.

CAFCASS:

- Tools for effective engagement with children are available on the Cafcass intranet for all members of staff.
- A core training course on direct work with children is also available to practice staff.
- At a strategic level Cafcass provides administrative, developmental and financial support to the Family Justice Young People's Board, which helps Cafcass and the wider judicial system to shape and design policies and initiatives and make sure they remain focused on children and young people. The young people on the board have had experience of the Family Courts as they are recruited from our service users.
- Practice observations take place at least once per year

- Children's feedback and complaints are monitored and learning is collated nationally and shared to improve practice
- In 13/14 a total of 9,680 care applications (public law) were received, which is a decrease of 12% compared with the number received in 12/13. Similarly there has also been a decrease in private law cases where a total of 42,888 applications were received in 2013/14 - a 7% decrease compared to 12/13. Shorter case durations (within s31 cases), together with proportionate working and more efficient working practices have led to the stock of open cases reducing in both private and public law.
- The National Ofsted inspection took place in February and March 2014. Both private law and public law practice were judged to be good as was the management of local services. National leadership was judged to be outstanding.
- All of the Key Performance indicators, relating to the allocation of work and filing of reports, have been met.

The LSCB activity in 2013-14

The LSCB delivered its business in the following areas as indicated in the Business Plan. Key achievements for the LSCB in 2013-14 are:

1. Full review of membership, structure and constitution of the LSCB – to ensure Working Together 2013 compliant and best practice
2. New Chair recruited, formally managed by the Chief Executive of Southampton City Council
3. Links to key strategic partnerships established to enable constructive peer challenge
4. Survey with target group of Children and Young People underway, findings to influence the 2014-15 LSCB Business plan and other Strategic Plans in Southampton
5. A Quality Assurance framework adopted in Southampton to give robust system and structure to the core role of the LSCB. Full schedule of audit and reports to the LSCB established
6. Headline data set agreed and reported to LSCB – further developments taking place early 2014-15 to ensure this represents full range of outcomes data available
7. Multi-agency audit of Core Group planned and delivered with findings to be reported to the LSCB early in 2014-15
8. Full review of current Learning and Development Opportunities was delivered highlighting gap and need and the LSCB took action to ensure ownership of the multi-agency safeguarding training calendar for Southampton.
9. The LSCB developed a Learning and Improvement Framework this year, giving solid foundations for the process of agreeing and managing case reviews and audits and ensuring robust dissemination of learning from these to implement findings.
10. The LSCB published one serious case review and delivered further reviews in this period into tragic circumstances. Learning from these disseminated and implemented prior to publication as appropriate.
11. A multi-agency threshold document was drafted and following discussion and challenge by partners at LSCB was agreed and published.
12. The LSCB had oversight of the MASH development. Multi-Agency workshops to improve knowledge on MASH, Early Help and the Threshold Document were held by the LSCB to over 1,000 professionals.
13. LSCB guidance updated and online to reflect WT13 and the LSCB has reviewed policies from a number of local organisations to ensure they are robust
14. Commissioning standards have been agreed by the LSCB, and audit and quality assurance work is planned for 2014-15 to ensure these are implemented.
15. Coordinated action to address Child Sexual Exploitation commenced with the establishment of a Missing Exploited and Trafficked Sub Group of the LSCB, a multi-agency operational group also established to coordinate work and link with key services sharing case level information safely.
16. Held a workshop for 100 professionals using national best practice from CEOP and 'Chelsea's Choice' to raise awareness of CSE and what to do.

Detailed below are the priorities for the LSCB in 2013-14 and progress (RAG rated) against these. Outstanding actions will be carried forward to 2014-15 Plan.

Priority 1: Develop effective governance arrangements for the LSCB to ensure an improvement in the effective working of the LSCB		
OUTCOME	ACTION REQUIRED	RAG Status & Commentary
Governance arrangements enable assessment of statutory responsibilities of partners / board members to help, protect & care for children and young people in Southampton.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and update constitution to reflect Working Together 2013 • Recruit Independent Chair • Ensure chair has formal contact with Chief Executive and Leader of SCC, PCC and Chair of HWBB • Take steps to recruit second lay member • Review and update subcommittee and Executive Group terms of reference to ensure issues are identified and escalated to board. • Agree synergy & links with Southampton Safeguarding Adults Board (SSAB) • Establish robust links to Children & Young People's Trust and the Health and Wellbeing Board • Identify links with the Youth Justice Board • Review CDOP & rapid response procedures 	<p><i>Green - Action completed</i></p> <p><i>Green – action completed</i></p> <p><i>Green – ongoing contact agreed action completed</i></p> <p><i>Amber – recruitment in process</i></p> <p><i>Green – action completed</i></p> <p><i>Amber – Phase 2 of Transformation Work ensures this cross working is in place. Green – action completed, ongoing contact established.</i></p> <p><i>Amber – meeting planned.</i></p> <p><i>Amber – scoping of review at meeting of chairs is happening early 2014-15.</i></p>

Priority 2: Enable the voices of children and young people to be at the centre of the work of the LSCB

OUTCOME	ACTION REQUIRED	RAG status and commentary
Children and young people are involved in assessing the performance of services and influence improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop systems for consulting and involving CYP in the functions & work of the LSCB • Ensure this reflects the makeup of our local community, including diverse established and new communities and disabled children and young people. 	<p><i>Amber – a CYP survey planned in March 2014 will be delivered early in Q1 of 2014-15. This will be facilitated by No Limits, Barnardos and Youth Options with their respective ‘groups’ of young people – all of these services are members of the LSCB’s Community Engagement Group, and are engaged in work with children and young people who may have already experienced or are vulnerable to safeguarding issues.</i></p> <p><i>Further work needed to identify routes of engagement with wider group of CYP and particularly to gain the input of those from diverse communities.</i></p>

Priority 3: Deliver regular assessment and monitoring of the effectiveness of local statutory partners

OUTCOME	ACTION REQUIRED	RAG status and commentary
Regular and effective quality assurance & evaluation of improvement plans, frontline practice and management leads to improved quality of service for children and young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt & implement South East LSCB Quality Assurance Framework including revised schedule of annual reports to the Board, a schedule of quarterly / six monthly reports to ME from core services, revised dataset for LSCB • Monitor implementation of local services improvement and transformation plans • Monitor effectiveness of Core Group • Deliver two multi-agency audits of relevant processes and systems. 	<p><i>Amber – the QA framework has been adopted. Systems for receiving regular reports to ME group and LSCB are in place and operational. Section 11 reporting is in place and 4 audits were reviewed by the LSCB in 2013-14. A revised dataset was produced and reported to LSCB (see Appendix). This is continually being revised with a more sophisticated version being produced for agreement at LSCB.</i></p> <p><i>Amber – core group audit delivered in part end of 2013-14 with completion due Q1 of 2014-15.</i></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Produce and agree Annual Report and Business Plan 	<p><i>Green – action completed</i></p>

Priority 4: Ensure sufficient, high quality multi-agency training is available and is effective at improving practice

OUTCOME	ACTION REQUIRED	RAG Status and commentary
<p>High quality safeguarding training impacts on improvements in practice and the experiences of children and young people, families and carers.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality assure existing multi-agency safeguarding children and young people training opportunities • Provide standards for single agency safeguarding training to influence provision • Link with 4LSCB's to ensure consistency • Identify mechanisms to quality assure single agency safeguarding training • Identify gaps in multi-agency provision and take action to rectify. 	<p><i>Green - a review of current opportunities was carried out as part of a wider Learning and Development Audit. This informed a new Strategy and Delivery Plan for Learning and Development.</i></p> <p><i>Green – standards developed and online. Promoted in the LSCB newsletter in Q4.</i></p> <p><i>Green – LSCB manager and Chair of Learning and Development attend 4LSCB meetings and linked with providers of training across the 4LSCB area.</i></p> <p><i>Green – the Learning and Development Group has quality assured training opportunities this year using a revised checklist of standards.</i></p> <p><i>Green – an audit of provision showed gap and needs and the LSCB has taken action to rectify this. A new LSCB training calendar is on line.</i></p>

Priority 5: Deliver SCR's, ensure clear process for review and learning from reviews		
OUTCOME	ACTION REQUIRED	RAG status and commentary
A culture of continuous learning is present across organisations that work together to safeguard and promote the welfare of children which leads to improvements in service delivery and increased safety for children and young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver current SCR's • Publish outstanding case reviews • Develop local learning and improvement framework • Assess progress on actions from recent reviews • Consider cases referred and make recommendations to the LSCB Chair regarding whether they meet criteria for a SCR or other form of review. • Manage reviews that do not meet the criteria for a full SCR. 	<p><i>Amber - 1 SCR published this year, further reviews to be published early 2014-15. Learning from these disseminated as a continuing priority.</i></p> <p><i>Green – Local L&I framework agreed, published and implemented. SCR group now has formal process for receiving referrals of cases, scoping agency involvement and the circumstances of the case and making recommendations to the Chair.</i></p> <p><i>Amber – the LSCB has reviewed outstanding actions and will continue to seek assurance where these continue.</i></p> <p><i>Green – using the L&I framework and system for referral and decision this has been delivered throughout the year.</i></p> <p><i>Amber – 3 partnership reviews commenced and underway at the end of 2013-14 to be completed.</i></p>

Priority 6: Publish threshold document to include early help and children social care statutory services		
OUTCOME	ACTION REQUIRED	RAG status and commentary
Public and professionals have clarity on the pathway, entry routes and thresholds for interventions at different levels for children in Southampton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop alongside MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) and Children's Services Transformation programme. 	<p><i>Green – a multi-agency threshold document was drafted and following discussion and challenge by partners at LSCB was agreed and published.</i></p> <p><i>The LSCB had oversight of the MASH development. Multi-Agency workshops to improve knowledge on MASH, Early Help and the Threshold Document were held by the LSCB to over 1,000 professionals.</i></p> <p><i>MASH was launched in March 2013. The steering group was a sub group of the LSCB and continues to be.</i></p> <p><i>The LSCB will receive an evaluation of the first 12 weeks of MASH in 2014-15.</i></p>

Priority 7: Ensure public and professional awareness of locally identified issues

OUTCOME	ACTION REQUIRED	RAG status and commentary
Higher awareness of safeguarding issues and where to seek help improves safety outcomes for children in local communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify key priority areas for awareness raising using local data, and learning from case reviews • Link with national campaigns and Public Health to deliver messages locally. 	<i>Amber – local awareness raising has taken place regarding CSE, for the MASH development and learning from SCR’s. Further work to ensure this is integrated into local</i>

Priority 8: Develop and implement relevant policies and procedures to improve practice

OUTCOME	ACTION REQUIRED	RAG status and commentary
Higher awareness of key safeguarding issues is present in practice, safety of children and young people improves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review existing multi-agency procedures and implementation and take action to ensure these are up to date with Working Together 2013 changes and professionals have the most appropriate guidance. • Quality assure single agency procedures / policies according to agreed framework • Ensure practice issues are raised and influence policy and procedure development • Ensure commissioning of services include safeguarding standards. 	<p><i>Green – 4LSCB guidance updated and online to reflect WT13.</i></p> <p><i>Green - Reviewed single agency child protection / safeguarding policies including from Southampton Football Club, Southampton University and given guidance to Friends of Sure Start. Worked with local organisations to support development of their polices e.g. Medaille Trust. Checklist revised for organisations to use when reviewing their own policies.</i></p> <p><i>Amber – standards have been agreed by the LSCB, audit and quality assurance work needed to ensure these are implemented.</i></p>

Priority 9: Coordinate the local response to Missing, Exploited and Trafficked Children & Young People

OUTCOME	ACTION REQUIRED	RAG status and Commentary
<p>Improved public and professional knowledge of risk indicators for CSE and pathway to support increases earlier intervention and prevention of harm.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southampton MET group established • Concerns about cases raised and shared confidentially among agencies • Agree local pathway, risk assessment framework • Deliver training and awareness for key staff • Link with local and national expertise & resources to promote awareness. 	<p><i>Green – complete</i></p> <p><i>Green – MET Operational Group facilitates this</i></p> <p><i>Amber – 4LSCB process agreed, SERAF agreed as the risk tool. Local implementation and refinement to take place in 2014-15. Self-assessment of LSCB against statutory guidance for responding to Missing CYP delivered and action identified.</i></p> <p><i>Green – a workshop for 100 professionals took place to be repeated in 2014-15.</i></p> <p><i>Amber – CEOP and nationally recognised ‘Chelsea’s Choice’ utilised in Southampton – LSCB and in schools this year. To be further developed in 2014-15.</i></p>

Appendices

Membership of Southampton LSCB:

Agency	Position	Statutory Member[1] details	Advisory role[2]
Independent Chair	Independent Chair	Yes	
Southampton City Council	Director of People Head of Children and Families Head of Housing Head of Adult Services	Local Authority including Youth Offending Service	
Hampshire Constabulary	Detective Supt Public Protection	Chief officer of Police	
Hampshire Probation	Director of Portsmouth/Southampton LDU	Local Probation Trust	
Community Rehabilitation Company	Director of Portsmouth/Southampton	Local Probation Trust	
Southampton City Clinical Commissioning Group	Director of Quality and Integration/Executive Nurse	NHS Commissioning Board / Clinical Commissioning Group	
NHS England (Wessex)	Director of Nursing	As above	
University Hospitals Southampton NHS Foundation Trust	Director of Nursing and Organisational Development	NHS Trusts and NHS Foundation Trusts all or most of whose hospitals, establishments and facilities are situated in the local authority area	
Solent NHS Trust	Operations Director (Children's Services)	As above	
Southern Health Foundation Trust	Director of Children and Families Division and Safeguarding Lead	As above	
South Central Ambulance Service	Assistant Director of Quality	As above	
CAFCASS	Senior Service Manager	CAFCASS	

Primary School Rep	Primary Heads Conference Representative	The governing body of a maintained school;	
Secondary School Rep	Secondary Schools Conference Representative	As above	
Special Schools Rep	Special Schools Conference Representative	The proprietor of a non-maintained special school;	
Further Education Rep	Further Education Representative	The proprietor of a city technology college, a city college for the technology of the arts or an Academy. The governing body of a further education institution the main site of which is situated in the authority's area.	
Voluntary & Community Sector	SVS	No	Yes
Legal advisor	SCC Legal	No	Yes
Designated Health Professional	Designated Nurse Designated Doctor	No	Yes
Principal Social Worker for Children and Families	Interim Principle SW	No	Yes
Director of Public Health	Consultant in Public Health	No	Yes
Lead Member for Children's Services	Lead Member	Participating Observer	No
LSCB Business Unit	Board Manager Business Coordinator	No	Yes
Democratic Services	Senior Democratic Support Officer	No	Clerk to the Board

Q4 LSCB data set		Source of data	Quarter 3 2013/14	Quarter 4 2013/14	Quarter 4 2012/13	Annual Statistical Neighbour and National Average
1.	Number of Common Assessment Frameworks (CAF's) assessments completed	Children's Services Scorecard	56	29	2012 quarterly average: 59	Not applicable
2.	Rate (per 10,000) of children in need at end of period	Children's Services Scorecard	Total at end of Q3: 413	Total at end of Q4: 410	Total at end of 2013: 413	2013: 384.7 (SN) 2013: 332 (England)
3.	Rate (per 10,000) of children with a child protection plan	Children's Services Scorecard	End of Q3: 47	End of Q4: 49	Total at end of 2013: 47	2013: 52 (SN) 2013: 38 (England)
4.	Rate (per 10,000) of children looked after at end of period Total number of LAC at end of period	Children's Services Scorecard	End of Q3: 106 For information, total number: 503	End of Q4: 104 For information, total number: 494	Total at end of 2013: 106 Total at end of 2012: 482	2013: 83 (statistical neighbour average) 2013: 60 (National average)

Q4 LSCB data set		Source of data	Quarter 3 2013/14	Quarter 4 2013/14	Quarter 4 2012/13	Annual Statistical Neighbour and National Average
5.	Number of new referrals to CSC	Children's Services Scorecard	231	264	Total at end of 2013: 231	Not available
6.	Number and % of Referrals that are re-referrals (within 1 year)	Children's Services Scorecard	69 30%	87 33%	Total at end of 2013: 69 30%	2013 total % for statistical neighbours: 27% 2013 total % nationally: 25%
7.	Number and % of single assessments completed in 45 days	Children's Services Scorecard	142 87%	169 77%	Total at end of 2013: 142 87%	Not applicable
8.	No of Section 11 audits completed	LSCB data	0	3 (Hampshire Constabulary, Housing, Children's Services)	Q4: 0	Not available

Q4 LSCB data set		Source of data	Quarter 3 2013/14	Quarter 4 2013/14	Quarter 4 2012/13	Annual Statistical Neighbour and National Average
9.	No of multi-agency audits delivered	LSCB data	0	0	Q4: 0 1 underway	Not available
10.	No of multi-agency safeguarding training places available % of places taken	LSCB data	127 84%	176 65%	206 65%	Not available
11.	No of SCRs underway	LSCB data	Underway: 4 SCRs Published: 1 SCR Agreed: 1 SCR and 1 partnership review	Underway: 5 SCRs and 1 partnership review Published: 0 Agreed: 2 partnership reviews	Underway: 0 Published: 0 Agreed: 0	Not available

Q4 LSCB data set		Source of data	Quarter 3 2013/14		Quarter 4 2013/14		Quarter 4 2012/13	Annual Statistical Neighbour and National Average
12.	% of actions completed from published SCR's & SCR Name:	LSCB data	65% Child G	73% Child F	73% Child F	77% Child G	Not available	Not available