

Children and Families

Aug-17 Monthly dataset

Qualitative measures:			Key to direction of travel:					
Positive	Similar	Negative	Increase 10% or more	↑	Similar	→	Decrease 10% or more	↓

Ref.	Indicator	OWNER	Reporter	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	% change from previous month	% change from same month prev. yr	DoT	12 month average	12-mnth max value	Percentage ?	Benchmarking			Target 17-18	Commentary (Aug-17):
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M1	Number of contacts received (includes contacts that become referrals)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	1377	1480	1547	1534	1260	1466	1510	1753	1278	1605	1357	1491	1259	↓ -16%	→ -9%		1455	1753	-	Local	Local	Local		There has been a decrease in contacts recorded this month, this will have been directly impacted by the six week school holiday period and it is anticipated the numbers will increase next month when schools return.
M2	Number of new referrals of Children In Need (CIN)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	300	417	320	208	198	270	288	287	244	333	307	299	246	↓ -18%	↓ -18%		286	417	-	359	341	429		There has been a slight decrease this month and remains consistent with the projections made via the transformation board following the front door changes. This increased trend is anticipated to continue as the front door changes become further embedded. There is an audit of contacts that do not progress to referral underway, involving Multi Agency partners to add further assurance to that provided by the clear processes and managers in place, following the changes. This will also have been impacted by the six week school holiday.
M3	Percentage of all contacts that become new referrals of Children In Need (CIN)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	21.8%	28.2%	20.7%	13.6%	15.7%	18.4%	19.1%	16.4%	19.1%	20.7%	22.6%	20.1%	19.5%	→ -3%	↓ -10%		19.7%	28.2%	P	Local	Local	Local		There has been a slight decrease this month and remains consistent with the projections made via the transformation board following the front door changes. This increased trend is anticipated to continue as the front door changes become further embedded. There is an audit of contacts that do not progress to referral underway, involving Multi Agency partners to add further assurance to that provided by the clear processes and managers in place, following the changes. This will also have been impacted by the six week school holiday.
M2-NI	Number of new referrals of Children in Need (CIN) rate per 10,000 (0-17 year olds)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	61	85	65	42	40	55	59	58	50	68	62	60	49	↓ -18%	↓ -20%		58	85	-	59	44	42		There has been a slight decrease this month and remains consistent with the projections made via the transformation board following the front door changes. This increased trend is anticipated to continue as the front door changes become further embedded. There is an audit of contacts that do not progress to referral underway, involving Multi Agency partners to add further assurance to that provided by the clear processes and managers in place, following the changes. This will also have been impacted by the six week school holiday. This figure demonstrates we are moving to become more aligned to SN, regional and national comparative data.
M8-QL	Percentage of referrals dealt with by MASH where time from referral received / recorded to completion by MASH was 24 hours / 1 working day or less	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	79.0%	76.0%	81.0%	91.0%	90.0%	88.0%	87.0%	84.0%	81.0%	83.0%	81.0%	75.0%	79.0%	→ 5%	→ 0%	▲	82.7%	91.0%	P	Local	Local	Local		There has been a slight increase in this measure this month, which is indicative of the reduced level of referrals in August. This has been impacted as there is an Assistant Team Manager vacancy in MASH which reduces management capacity, this has been further impacted by Team Manager leave and further reduced management capacity this month. This is also impacted by the 65 HRDA (High Risk Domestic Abuse) referrals in August, which are all dealt with by MASH, 61% of which had children in the household.
M6-QL (val)	Number of referrals which are re-referrals within one year of a closure assessment	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	62	82	74	42	29	45	57	63	54	60	57	45	33	↓ -27%	↓ -47%	▼	54	82	-	Local	Local	Local		There has been a further decrease again this month this figure has fluctuated over the past 12 months but does indicate a general reducing trend. This measure is being monitored due to the reduction in CIN & LAC numbers over recent months and indicates that the step down arrangements such as the CIN Step Down Panel is positively impacting this measure which is far lower than our SN, regional and national comparators which should be viewed as positive.
M6-QL	Percentage of referrals which are re-referrals within one year of a closure assessment	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	20.7%	19.7%	23.1%	20.2%	14.6%	16.7%	19.8%	22.0%	22.0%	18.0%	19.0%	15.0%	13.0%	↓ -13%	↓ -37%	▼	18.8%	23.1%	P	23.9%	23.5%	23.5%		There has been a further decrease again this month this figure has fluctuated over the past 12 months but does indicate a general reducing trend. This measure is being monitored due to the reduction in CIN & LAC numbers over recent months and indicates that the step down arrangements such as the CIN Step-Down Panel is positively impacting this measure, which is far lower than our SN, regional and national comparators, and which should be viewed as positive.
M4	Number of new referrals of children aged 13+ where child sexual exploitation was a factor	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	3	6	3	2	0	1	3	0	1	2	5	0	2	- n/a	↓ -33%		2	6	-	Local	Local	Local		There has been an increase this month with, this figure fluctuates month on month. This data does not capture CSE concerns for already allocated children in the service.
EH1a	Number of Universal Help Assessments (UHAs) started in the month	Jo Cassey	Jason Murphy	21	39	35	49	21	34	29	34	38	30	21	16	35	↑ 119%	↑ 67%		31	49	-	Local	Local	Local		Commentary and associated issues remain the same. "This measure is subject to review and will in future measure the number of interventions held at the equivalent of UHA/EHA level."
EH1c	Number of Universal Help Assessments (UHAs) completed in the month	Jo Cassey	Jason Murphy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	8	33	↑ 313%	- n/a		14	33	-	Local	Local	Local		See below (EH1b)

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EH1b	Number of Universal Help Plans (UHPs) opened in the month (includes UHPs completed, and those still open at end of period)	Jo Casey	Jason Murphy	121	107	99	113	92	124	121	122	122	123	167	159	149	→ -6%	↑ 23%		125	167	-	Local	Local	Local		Commentary and associated issues remain the same - these measures are of little value without a mechanism and capacity to capture activity outside of PARIS/SCC services. "As above - this is a measure based on activity within PARIS that is no longer measured with the introduction of the EHA which is not built into PARIS; in future this should be viewed as an external measure of all Early Help activity across a range of services, both within SCC and outside."
M5	Number of children receiving Universal Help services who are stepped up for Children In Need (CIN) assessment	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	37	22	27	30	25	27	31	3	7	7	8	1	2	↑ 100%	↓ -95%		17	37	-	Local	Local	Local		There has been an increase this month, however this measure only captures EH cases open to FM and not the wider EH offer and therefore is not an accurate reflection of this measure.
EH2	Number of Children In Need (CIN) at end of period (all open cases, excluding UHPs, UHAs, CPP and LAC)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	1271	1298	1271	944	1001	955	974	967	1017	1043	1040	1046	1030	→ -2%	↓ -19%		1066	1298	-	Local	Local	Local		There has been a slight decrease this month, whilst the number decreased significantly in Q3 & Q4 with numbers increasing across Q1 & Q2: this demonstrates the impact of the decreased referral rates & the continued focus on demand reduction to ensure we are working with the right children at the right level. The Caseload challenges recently experienced due to some staff turnover and agency movement has improved throughout August, however we continue to monitor caseload levels closely.
EH5-QL	Number of children open to the authority who have been missing at any point in the period (count of children)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	40	56	67	58	31	50	35	45	40	48	37	41	32	↓ -22%	↓ -20%	▼	45	67	-	Local	Local	Local		There has been a slight decrease in children going missing. A daily missing report which goes out to all managers for action and enables close tracking of those who are persistent missing young people. Our MET Operational group discuss and review plans for missing children & ensures there is a plans in place are appropriate to address the issues.
EH3	Number of Single Assessments completed	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	301	206	264	291	123	187	122	214	137	193	207	189	193	→ 2%	↓ -36%		202	301	-	295	313	401		There has been a slight increase in the number of SAs completed this month. The number fluctuates month by month and no trends are emerging currently. The number is a significantly lower than the 12 month average, which will be influenced by the demand reduction activity at the Front Door to ensure we are working with right child at the right level and the decrease in referrals.
EH3a%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 10 days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	14.9%	10.9%	8.7%	8.0%	15.5%	9.0%	6.2%	7.5%	7.3%	7.3%	11.6%	10.1%	2.6%	↓ -74%	↓ -83%	▲	9.2%	15.5%	P	Local	Local	Local		There has been a significant decrease in the number of SAs completed within this time frame. With changes at the front door it is anticipated that SAs will likely need longer than ten days to complete and is indicative of the more consistent change in complexity of cases being opened for SA and which is an impact of the front door and ensuring we are working with the right child at the right level.
EH3b%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 11-25 days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	18.9%	20.0%	31.5%	29.6%	22.5%	26.5%	25.8%	22.9%	20.4%	15.0%	21.3%	12.2%	19.7%	↑ 62%	→ 4%	▲	22.0%	31.5%	P	Local	Local	Local		There has been a slight increase in the number of SAs completed within this time frame indicating increased complexity of cases being opened for SA and which is an impact of the front door and ensuring we are working with the right child at the right level.
EH3c%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 26-35 days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	16.6%	15.5%	10.9%	16.9%	15.7%	13.3%	2.0%	9.3%	8.8%	18.1%	8.7%	7.9%	7.3%	→ -9%	↓ -56%	▲	11.6%	18.1%	P	Local	Local	Local		There has been a decrease in SAs completed within this time frame, indicating that the assessments required longer timeframe indicating increased complexity of cases being opened for SA and which is an impact of the front door and ensuring we are working with the right child at the right level.
EH3d%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 36-45 days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	17.3%	16.8%	6.3%	9.9%	24.3%	14.3%	8.2%	34.6%	35.0%	38.9%	40.6%	33.9%	45.1%	↑ 33%	↑ 160%	▲	25.0%	45.1%	P	Local	Local	Local		There has been a significant increase in SAs completed within this time frame, indicating that the assessments required a longer time frame indicating increased complexity of cases being opened for SA and which is an impact of the front door and ensuring we are working with the right child at the right level.
EH3e%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed over 45 days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	32.3%	36.8%	42.6%	35.8%	22.1%	37.0%	57.9%	25.7%	28.5%	20.7%	17.9%	36.0%	25.4%	↓ -29%	↓ -21%	▼	32.2%	57.9%	P	13.7%	16.6%	17.3%		There has been a reduction in the number of SAs completed out of time scale and this is indicated by the increased percentage completed within time scales this month.
EH4 (val)	Number of Single Assessments (SA) completed in 45 working days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	205	132	154	184	92	118	50	159	98	153	170	121	144	↑ 19%	↓ -30%	▲	137	205	-	254	261	331		There has been an increase in the number of SAs completed this month, the remedial action taken to the SA RAG report to ensure proactive management has impacted on this. There is also a continued drive on the part of managers working with social workers to reinforce the importance of adherence to completed SAs within timescales due to the underpinning principles of good practice and timely responses for children and families.
EH4-QL	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed in 45 working days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	68.1%	64.1%	58.3%	63.2%	74.8%	63.0%	41.0%	74.0%	72.0%	79.0%	82.0%	64.0%	75.0%	↑ 17%	↑ 10%	▲	67.6%	82.0%	P	86.3%	83.4%	82.7%		There has been an increase in the number of SAs completed this month, the remedial action taken to the SA RAG report to ensure proactive management has impacted on this. There is also a continued drive on the part of managers working with social workers to reinforce the importance of adherence to completed SAs within timescales due to the underpinning principles of good practice and timely responses for children and families.

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CP1	Number of Section 47 (S47) enquiries started	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	101	89	106	109	56	92	92	111	93	120	116	106	94	↓ -11%	→ -7%		99	120	-	103	94	134		There has been a slight decrease in Section 47s started this month, this will have been impacted by the six week school holiday period. This can be a fluctuating figure as the previous months figures demonstrate. The current figure is in line with the national average.
CP1-NI	Section 47 (S47) enquiries rate per 10,000 children	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	21	18	22	22	11	19	19	23	19	24	23	21	19	↓ -10%	→ -8%		20	24	-	17	12	13		There has been a slight decrease in Section 47s started this month, this will have been impacted by the six week school holiday period. This can be a fluctuating figure as the previous months figures demonstrate. The current figure is in line with the national average.
CP6B	Number of children with a Child Protection Plan at the end of the month, excluding temporary registrations	Jane White	Stuart Webb	360	349	329	344	319	328	295	282	277	255	277	266	294	↑ 11%	↓ -18%		306	360	-	323	331	425		The level of conversion from conference to plan this month and the lower number of closures has impacted upon the number of children subject to planning. The Southampton number is however, still lower than our SN. The number is the highest since February 2017 and, although it can fluctuate, if an increasing trend continues then the remedial action will include management audit of conference decision making.
CP6B-NI	Child Protection Plan (CPP) rate per 10,000	Jane White	Stuart Webb	73	71	67	70	65	67	60	57	56	52	56	53	59	↑ 11%	↓ -19%		62	73	-	54	43	42		The monthly rate is at its highest since January 2017: higher than national and regional averages but this month >5 in comparison to the SN average. The six monthly average (57) shows a more favourable position; but the management audit activity in CP6B will be implemented as necessary.
CP2	Number of children subject to Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs), excluding transfer-ins and temporary registrations	Phil Buntingham	Stuart Webb	41	19	17	48	16	45	23	34	19	37	45	33	36	→ 9%	↓ -12%		32	48	-	39	40	50		The number of children subject to ICPC is higher than the 12 monthly average; but, closer to the six monthly average of 34. The Southampton figure remains slightly lower than our statistical neighbours; but, the variation is not judged to be significant.
CP2-NI	Rate per 10,000 Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs)	Phil Buntingham	Stuart Webb	8	4	3	10	3	9	5	8	4	8	9	8	8	→ 5%	→ -4%		7	10	-	6	5	5		The rate has broadly been steady over the past four months (with an increase in June). This puts Southampton, higher than its SN in the monthly data; but six and 12 month averages are more comparable.
CP4 (val)	Number of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) resulting in a Child Protection Plan (based on count of children) (excludes transfer-ins)	Phil Buntingham	Stuart Webb	34	17	15	44	16	38	16	32	17	26	36	28	35	↑ 25%	→ 3%	▲	27.23	44.00	-	34	35	43		See CP4
CP4	Percentage of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) resulting in a Child Protection Plan (based on count of children)	Phil Buntingham	Stuart Webb	82.9%	89.5%	88.2%	91.7%	100.0%	84.4%	69.6%	94.1%	89.5%	70.3%	80.0%	84.8%	97.2%	↑ 15%	↑ 17%	▲	86.3%	100.0%	P	87.1%	86.7%	85.6%		The level of conversion from conference to plan is notably higher in this month's cohort - but this can vary, depending on the case issues and the options deemed appropriate at conference. The 12 month average more closely tracks SN, national and regional averages.
CP2b	Number of transfer-ins	Phil Buntingham	Stuart Webb	-	2	1	1	3	0	3	4	0	0	1	5	4	↓ -20%	- n/a		2	5	-	Local	Local	Local		After several months with no cases transferred in, there were five children in July (including one family of four children) and four children in August. Regarding remedial action: the QA service manager tasks a Practice Improvement Co-ordinator to review these cases to check that the transfer has been smooth. This work will be supported by the new protocol outlined in the previous months commentary.
CP2b %	Percentage of transfer-ins where child became subject to a CP Plan during period	Jane White	Sarah Ward	-	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	33.3%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	→ 0%	- n/a		44.4%	100.0%	P	Local	Local	Local		-
CP3-QL (val)	Number of children subject to Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) which were held within timescales (excludes transfer-ins)	Phil Buntingham	Stuart Webb	26	14	12	22	10	22	5	27	15	34	24	30	26	↓ -13%	→ 0%	▲	21	34	-	Local	Local	Local		Close management of this PI continues. However, the summer period will have impacted to a degree. Regarding remedial action: the CPC Team Manager has been tasked to review the 10 cases falling out of time.
CP3-QL	Percentage of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) held within timescales (based on count of children)	Phil Buntingham	Stuart Webb	63.4%	73.7%	70.6%	45.8%	62.5%	48.9%	21.7%	79.4%	78.9%	91.9%	53.3%	90.9%	72.2%	↓ -21%	↑ 14%	▲	65.6%	91.9%	P	76.0%	76.7%	72.2%		Close management of this PI continues. However, the summer period will have impacted to a degree. Regarding remedial action: the CPC Team Manager has been tasked to review the 10 cases falling out of time.
CP8-QL	Percentage of children subject to a Child Protection Plan seen in the last 15 working days.	Jane White	Sarah Ward	64.0%	64.0%	67.0%	77.0%	86.0%	87.0%	91.0%	94.0%	90.0%	89.0%	88.0%	86.0%	86.0%	→ 0%	↑ 34%	▲	82.2%	94.0%	P	Local	Local	Local		-
CP5-QL (val)	Number of new Child Protection Plans (CPP) where child had previously been subject of a CPP at any time	Phil Buntingham	Stuart Webb	1	5	7	15	2	17	4	1	6	5	15	6	11	↑ 83%	↑ 1000%	▼	7	17	-	6	6	9		See CP5-QL
CP5-QL	Percentage of new Child Protection Plans (CPP) where child had previously been subject of a CPP at any time	Phil Buntingham	Stuart Webb	2.9%	29.4%	46.7%	34.1%	12.5%	44.7%	25.0%	2.9%	33.3%	19.2%	39.5%	18.2%	28.2%	↑ 55%	↑ 859%	▼	25.9%	46.7%	P	17.5%	17.9%	20.7%		There has been a 10% increase on last month and although the 12 month average is close to SN, national and regional averages Southampton remains comparatively high for repeat CP. Regarding remedial action: previous commentary has outlined that neglect and / or domestic abuse are identified as key factors in the context of repeat child protection planning. The results of the multi-agency neglect audit will be reported to partners in October 2017. Children's Services are also working with the IDVA service to implement the new DART (Domestic Abuse, Recovering Together) programme for families affected by domestic abuse.
CP9	Number of children subject to Review Child Protection Conferences (RCPCs) in the month	Phil Buntingham	Stuart Webb	59	101	89	86	84	68	90	94	70	94	46	82	30	↓ -63%	↓ -49%		76	101	-	Local	Local	Local		See CP7

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CP7	Number of ceasing Child Protection Plans, excluding temporary registrations	Jane White	Stuart Webb	14	25	32	29	46	29	50	42	26	48	18	42	11	↓ -74%	↓ -21%	▲	32	50	-	35	34	42		The number of plans finishing in August is notably lower than the 12 month average; but comparable to the figure in August 2016. The summer period will be impacted - because it is not practical to convene review conferences when key partners are not able to attend. The remedial action in this area will be to monitor the number of plans ceasing from September onwards, tracking with the SN average and using management audit to analyse any continued performance variation.
LAC1	Number of Looked after Children at end of period	Jane White	Julian Watkins	603	606	605	602	586	584	568	542	546	536	526	515	514	→ 0%	↓ -15%	▼	564	606	-	450	463	520	515	The end of August saw a slight reduction in LAC numbers, however it is worthy to note that a series of unborn babies that we have been tracking where care proceedings are sadly highly likely are due to be born imminently. Further, there are several families who we have been trying to engage under PLO (Public Law Outline) where risks have increased due to non-engagement and where care applications are likely. We would be negligent in our statutory duties to not do so, therefore there is potential for an increase of admissions to care within the next month.
LAC1-NI	Looked after Children rate per 10,000	Jane White	Julian Watkins	123	123	123	122	119	119	116	110	111	109	105	103	103	→ 0%	↓ -16%		114	123	-	76	60	52		-This remains at a stable level in line with our safe planned reduction of our LAC population.
LAC2	Number of new Looked after Children (episodes)	Jane White	Julian Watkins	8	25	8	14	7	7	2	8	9	9	8	16	11	↓ -31%	↑ 38%	▼	10	25	-	17	18	22		-Whilst there has been a reduction in the number of admissions this month, as noted in LAC1, there is likely to be an increase over the next month or two for the reasons noted above.
LAC3	Number of ceasing Looked after Children (episodes)	Jane White	Julian Watkins	18	17	14	18	20	10	18	34	3	19	15	26	14	↓ -46%	↓ -22%	▲	17	34	-	17	17	22		-There has been a reduction in the number of care episodes ceasing this month. There as a particularly high number of adoptions last month and this would likely account for this discrepancy
LAC6 (val)	Number of adoptions (E11, E12)	Jane White	Brian Reigh	9	5	5	4	3	4	5	20	0	3	10	5	8	↑ 60%	↓ -11%		6	20	-	3	3	3	65	-Eight adoptions in a month is high again, and this is likely to come down to the level of our statistical neighbours, as the numbers of children awaiting adoption in Southampton reduce. Positively, there have been two new adopters approved this month that can be used by SCC. There was a recruitment evening, which was attended by some prospective adopters over the last week, and this should almost certainly lead to one or two deeper
LAC6 (%)	Percentage of adoptions (E11, E12)	Jane White	Brian Reigh	50.0%	29.4%	35.7%	22.2%	15.0%	40.0%	27.8%	58.8%	0.0%	15.8%	66.7%	19.2%	57.1%	↑ 197%	↑ 14%		33.7%	66.7%	P	19.7%	15.0%	14.0%	n/a	-As above (LAC6 (val))
LAC12 (val)	Number of Special Guardianship Orders (SGOs) (E43, E44)	Jane White	Brian Reigh	1	4	3	1	2	0	7	5	0	2	3	10	1	↓ -90%	→ 0%		3	10	-	2	2	2		-There has been a reduction of SGOs this month, however this falls more in line with our statistical neighbours, and is to be expected given the significant spike in SGOs last month, which was related in part to a large sibling group
LAC12 (%)	Percentage of Special Guardianship Orders (SGOs) (E43, E44)	Jane White	Brian Reigh	5.6%	23.5%	21.4%	5.6%	10.0%	0.0%	38.9%	14.7%	0.0%	10.5%	20.0%	38.5%	7.1%	↓ -81%	↑ 29%	▲	15.1%	38.9%	P	10.0%	11.0%	9.0%		-As above (LAC12 (val))
LAC7-QL	Percentage of Looked after Children visited within timescales	Jane White	Julian Watkins	66.0%	69.0%	70.0%	76.0%	76.0%	82.0%	86.0%	83.0%	79.0%	84.0%	82.0%	79.0%	85.0%	→ 8%	↑ 29%	▲	78.2%	86.0%	P	Local	Local	Local		-There has been an improvement in the number of visits to looked after children being in timescale this month and this is positive.
LAC10 (%)	Percentage of Looked after Children with an authorised CLA plan	Jane White	Julian Watkins	90.0%	89.9%	90.4%	90.5%	92.2%	94.3%	94.5%	94.1%	95.4%	94.8%	98.1%	97.5%	97.3%	→ 0%	→ 8%	▲	93.8%	98.1%	P	Local	Local	Local		-This remains at a generally positive level.
LAC10-QL	Number of Looked after Children with an authorised CLA Plan	Jane White	Julian Watkins	543	545	547	545	540	551	537	510	521	508	517	502	500	→ 0%	→ -8%	▲	528	551	-	Local	Local	Local		-See LAC10 (%)
LAC13	Number of current unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children looked after at end of period	Jane White	Julian Watkins	5	5	7	11	10	10	11	11	11	10	11	10	12	↑ 20%	↑ 140%		10	12	-	17	28	71		There was a change of legal status for two young people who had been open to the service for some time in August, which led to them rightly having Looked After status
LAC14	Number of new unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children	Jane White	Julian Watkins	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	- n/a	- n/a		0	4	-	Local	Local	Local		N.B. Inconsistency in number of current UASC and number of new, when compared to July 2017, is likely to be a recording issue.
LAC11-QL	Number of Looked after Children aged 16+ or open Care Leavers with an authorised Pathway Plan	Jane White	Mary Hardy	152	150	155	131	132	149	153	152	149	149	151	150	157	→ 5%	→ 3%	▲	148	157	-	Local	Local	Local		-
LAC11-QL (%)	Percentage of Looked after Children aged 16+ or open Care Leavers with an authorised Pathway Plan	Jane White	Mary Hardy	60.0%	60.0%	61.0%	88.0%	87.0%	92.0%	93.0%	95.0%	93.0%	91.0%	92.0%	92.0%	95.0%	→ 3%	↑ 58%	▲	84.5%	95.0%	P	Local	Local	Local		-
NI147	Percentage of Care Leavers in contact and in suitable accommodation	Jane White	Mary Hardy	New	New	New	New	New	New	New	83.6%	88.0%	84.3%	84.4%	83.1%	83.1%	→ 0%	- n/a	▲	84.4%	88.0%	P	Local	Local	Local		-
LAC9 (val)	Number of IFA placements	Jane White	Brian Reigh	156	151	157	159	158	152	148	139	145	144	144	138	138	→ 0%	↓ -12%	▼	148	159	-	Local	Local	Local		-The number of IFA placements remained stable during August, regardless of the number of YP entering and leaving care. There is a new Service Manager now in post to drive the recruitment and retention of in-house foster carers in the city.

Ref.	Indicator	Owner	Reporter	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	% change from previous month	% change from same month prev. yr	DoT	12 month average	12-mnth max value	Percentage ?	Stat. Neighbour	England	SE region	Target 17-18	Commentary (Aug-17):
LAC9	Percentage of IFA placements (of all looked after children)	Jane White	Brian Keogh	25.9%	24.9%	26.0%	26.4%	27.0%	26.0%	26.1%	25.6%	26.6%	26.9%	27.4%	26.8%	26.8%	⇒ 0%	⇒ 4%	▼	26.3%	27.4%	P	Local	Local	Local		As above (LAC9 (val))
LAC15	Number of foster carers at the end of period	Jane White	Brian Keogh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	181	175	176	174	⇒ -1%	- n/a		177	181	-	Local	Local	Local		-There is a newly appointed Service Manager to focus specifically on Fostering and Adoption. He is already in the process of redeveloping the Recruitment and Retention strategy for foster carers across the city, and looking at issues of sufficiency.