

Qualitative measures:			Key to direction of travel:		
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M1	Number of contacts received (includes contacts that become referrals)	tbc	Jacquie Schofield	<i>There is an effective 'front door' with which anyone with a concern about a child can engage and receive appropriate advice, support and action.</i>	1403	1493	1343	1607	1555	1787	1507	↓ -16%	↑ 20%		1397	1787	Local	Local	Local				The number of Contacts received during Dec 20 remains high but was 16% lower than Nov 20. The trend has been in line with schools returning and children being seen by professionals with a loosening of the restrictions around the current pandemic. December has dipped slightly but the holidays would account for the slight fall.
M2	Number of new referrals of Children In Need (CiN)	tbc	Jacquie Schofield	<i>Referrals for children in need of help and support are accepted appropriately by the service.</i>	342	388	263	357	368	449	351	↓ -22%	↑ 14%		342	449	399	357	460				The number of new referrals of children in need has reduced in line with the number of contacts received. The MASH decision making continues to be scrutinised through audit and no concerns have been raised.
M3	Percentage of all contacts that become new referrals of Children In Need (CiN)	tbc	Jacquie Schofield	<i>Children and families receive the help they need at the right time, and from the best possible resource - in line with the established continuum of need.</i>	24%	26%	20%	22%	24%	25%	23%	→ -7%	→ -5%		25%	29%	Local	Local	Local				The percentage of contacts that become new referrals has remained fairly consistent over the past year demonstrating the use of consistent application of threshold. The MASH decision making continues to be scrutinised through audit and no concerns have been raised.
M2-NI	Number of new referrals of Children in Need (CiN) rate per 10,000 (0-17 year olds)	tbc	Jacquie Schofield	<i>Referrals for children in need of help and support are comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.</i>	67	76	52	70	72	88	69	↓ -22%	↑ 13%		67	88	Local	Local	Local				The number of new referrals of children in need rate per 10,000 0-17 year olds has decreased by 22%. There is no information to compare this with statistical neighbours. We are currently reviewing the Continuum of Need threshold document to ensure we are working with the right children at a statutory level.
M6-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	tbc	Jacquie Schofield	<i>The safety of children is supported by referrals being dealt with in a timely manner.</i>	99%	98%	99%	94%	98%	98%	99%	→ 1%	→ 2%	▲	98%	99%	Local	Local	Local				The conversion rate for the 1 working day decision making is at 99% for December, showing MASH are compliant with Working Together 2018, despite Navigators working remotely and the complexities of this situation.
M6-QL (val)	Number of referrals which are re-referrals within one year of a closure assessment	tbc	Sarah Ward	<i>The service is effective in helping children and families address their issues, and where there is a re-referral, the issues are understood.</i>	17	15	19	23	27	37	32	↓ -14%	↑ 357%	▼	21	37	Local	Local	Local				The number of re-referrals shows an increasing trend since July 2020, with a corresponding increase in percentage. Feedback from audits has been shared with the service. There was a headline theme around the impact of the pandemic upon contact with (and therefore accurate assessment of) family's needs. Audit feedback will inform a focus on better practice, with a launch of practice priorities scheduled for March 2021.
M6-QL	Percentage of referrals which are re-referrals within one year of a closure assessment	tbc	Sarah Ward	<i>The service is effective in helping children and families address their issues, and where there is a re-referral, the issues are understood.</i>	5%	4%	7%	6%	7%	8%	9%	↑ 13%	↑ 350%	▼	6%	9%	25%	23%	25%				The number of re-referrals shows an increasing trend since July 2020, with a corresponding increase in percentage. Feedback from audits has been shared with the service. There was a headline theme around the impact of the pandemic upon contact with (and therefore accurate assessment of) family's needs. Audit feedback will inform a focus on better practice, with a launch of practice priorities scheduled for March 2021.
M4	Number of new referrals of children aged 13+ where child sexual exploitation (CSE) was a factor	tbc	Simon Demission	<i>The needs and safety of children at risk of child sexual exploitation are responded to effectively.</i>	4	7	7	15	2	2	2	→ 0%	→ 0%		4	15	Local	Local	Local				QA work on September peak showed that a large majority (80%) were inaccurately flagged CSE. Moving forward, the service recommends that consideration is given to a revised indicator, linked to CERAF (risk assessment) and monthly MET Review data which counts the number of children in the city at risk of criminal and or sexual exploitation and identifies their level of risk.

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M5	Number of children receiving Early Help services who are stepped up for Children In Need (CiN) assessment	tbc	Sean Holthouse	<i>The needs and safety of children at risk of child sexual exploitation are responded to effectively.</i>	1	13	4	7	14	17	0	↓ -100%	↓ -100%		9	22	Local	Local	Local				Early Help Locality Teams continue to work with families to prevent escalation of need, & to refer appropriately where children are at immediate risk and in need of protection. The Early Help Hub Rapid Response Team continue to work with new referred high-end early help cases preventing escalation into Social Care. EH Locality cases are RAG rated and moderated with SW EH lead. The EH cohort are also reviewed with EWS & schools to share risk information on vulnerable pupils. The number of CSC 'step up' cases in December was below average with 0 recorded.
EH2	Number of Children In Need (CiN) at end of period (all open cases, excluding EHPs, EHAs, CPP and LAC)	tbc	Sarah Ward	<i>Children in need of help and support receive a consistent and effective service.</i>	1313	1313	1232	1251	1305	1348	1226	→ -9%	↓ -16%	▼	1,303	1,379	Local	Local	Local				There has been a reducing trend of overall children in need in the past 3 months, with a 16% decrease since December 2019. Service design activity including a review of the early offer is anticipated to further reduce the level of statutory work in 2021.
EHS-QL	Number of children open to the authority who have been missing at any point in the period (count of children)	tbc	Simon Demison	<i>The needs and safety of children who have been missing are responded to robustly.</i>	57	83	59	72	69	78	53	↓ -32%	↓ -21%	▼	67	83	Local	Local	Local				After a very high Nov 19 return, numbers are back to similar rate and below the 12m average.
EH3	Number of Single Assessments (SA) completed	tbc	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Children receive a comprehensive assessment of their needs; with strengths and areas of risk identified to inform evidence-based planning.</i>	265	326	248	243	285	346	410	↑ 18%	→ 8%		309	410	318	353	447				Dec 20 has seen the highest number of single assessments completed in the past year. This number reflects the increase in referrals transferred over from MASH in Oct/Nov 20.
EH3a%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 10 days	tbc	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	6%	12%	4%	9%	12%	14%	16%	↑ 13%	↑ 64%	▲	11%	16%	19%	15%	17%				The percentage of single assessments completed within 10 days has increased in line with the increase in single assessments referred to the assessment service.
EH3b%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 11-25 days	tbc	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	44%	40%	32%	26%	32%	31%	31%	→ 0%	→ 3%	▲	36%	49%	Local	Local	Local				The percentage of single assessments completed within 11 - 25 days has remained high and consistent with Nov 20.
EH3c%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 26-35 days	tbc	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	20%	18%	28%	21%	16%	15%	19%	↑ 26%	→ 3%	▲	19%	28%	Local	Local	Local				The percentage of single assessments completed within 26-35 days has increased on Nov 20.
EH3d%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 36-45 days	tbc	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	15%	23%	24%	30%	22%	19%	24%	↑ 26%	↑ 101%	▲	18%	30%	Local	Local	Local				The percentage of single assessments completed within 36-45 days has increased which is expected in light of the increase in referrals in Oct/Nov 20.
EH3e%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed over 45 days	tbc	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	15%	7%	11%	13%	18%	21%	11%	↓ -50%	↓ -65%	▼	16%	35%	20%	17%	18%				The percentage of referrals completed over 45 days has decreased by 50% compared to Nov 20 and is significantly higher than Dec 19. This is lower than statistical neighbours, England and the south east and demonstrates the focus on improvement in this area following an increase in Nov 20.
EH4 (val)	Number of Single Assessments (SA) completed in 45 working days	tbc	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	225	303	221	211	235	272	366	↑ 35%	↑ 39%	▲	257	366	243	285	360				The number of single assessments completed within 45 days is the highest in the past year. It is significantly higher than statistical neighbours and demonstrates the focus on improvement in this area following an increase in Nov 20.
EH4-QL	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed in 45 working days	tbc	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	85%	93%	89%	87%	82%	79%	89%	↑ 13%	↑ 29%	▲	84%	93%	76%	81%	81%				The percentage of single assessments completed within 45 days has increased and compares to 69% in Dec 19. This figure is higher than statistical neighbours, England and the south east region.
CP1	Number of Section 47 (S47) enquiries started	tbc	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Where there are concerns about a child's safety, there is a robust assessment of risk.</i>	138	121	81	126	121	167	149	↓ -11%	↑ 59%		121	167	121	110	148				The number of section 47 enquiries started has decreased compared to Nov 20, but is significantly higher than Dec 19. We are awaiting data to look at a breakdown of this number across the whole of children's services.

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CP1NI	Rate of Section 47 (S47) enquiries started per 10,000 children aged 0-17	bbc	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Safeguarding investigations undertaken by the service are at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.</i>	27	24	16	25	24	33	29	↓ -12%	↑ 61%		24	33	19	14	14				The rate of section 47 enquiries per 10,000 children aged 0-17 years has decreased, although remains high compared to statistical neighbours, England and the south east region. This is an area of focus within MASH and Partners.
CP6B	Number of children with a Child Protection Plan (CPP) at the end of the month, excluding temporary registrations	bbc	Stuart Webb	<i>Child Protection Plans are in place for children where it has been assessed that multi-agency intervention is required to keep them safe.</i>	407	426	415	393	389	394	399	→ 1%	↓ -19%		414	468	388	439	527				There has been a small increase in numbers over the past month. What is more relevant is the plateauing of the rate of CPP per 10,000. The panel to review CPP and CIN cases > 12 months will begin in January and it is assessed that this will begin to have an impact. Looking forward, the Strengthening Families approach has been confirmed as one element of the Southampton restorative practice model and CP chairs will begin delivering awareness raising workshops to staff and partners. This should support the more regular implementation of safe, alternatives to CP planning. Finally, the development of our vulnerable adolescents offer (a two month development project is underway) will have an impact upon planning for the older cohort.
CP6B-NI	Rate of children with Child Protection Plan (CPP) per 10,000 (0-17 year olds) at end of period	bbc	Stuart Webb	<i>The number of children who require Child Protection Plans is at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.</i>	80	84	82	77	77	78	78	→ 0%	↓ -19%		81	92	48	44	41				There has been a small increase in numbers over the past month. What is more relevant is the plateauing of the rate of CPP per 10,000. The panel to review CPP and CIN cases > 12 months will begin in January and it is assessed that this will begin to have an impact. Looking forward, the Strengthening Families approach has been confirmed as one element of the Southampton restorative practice model and CP chairs will begin delivering awareness raising workshops to staff and partners. This should support the more regular implementation of safe, alternatives to CP planning. Finally, the development of our vulnerable adolescents offer (a two month development project is underway) will have an impact upon planning for the older cohort.
CP2	Number of children subject to Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs), excluding transfer-Ins and temporary registrations	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	<i>Where it has been assessed that multi-agency intervention is required to keep a child safe, the case is progressed to Initial Child Protection Conference.</i>	36	72	22	24	43	56	48	↓ -14%	↓ -38%		39	72	38	42	51				There has been a decrease in the number and rate of ICPC. However, Southampton remains an outlier and the data continues to suggest that decisions to take children to ICPC should be explored.
CP2-NI	Rate per 10,000 Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs)	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	<i>The rate of Initial Child Protection Conferences is at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.</i>	7	14	5	6	8	12	10	↓ -16%	↓ -35%		8	14	6	5	5				There has been a decrease in the number and rate of ICPC. However, Southampton remains an outlier and the data continues to suggest that decisions to take children to ICPC should be explored.
CP4 (val)	Number of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) resulting in a Child Protection Plan (CPP) (based on count of children)	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	<i>Decisions made at Child Protection Conferences will result in appropriate, evidence-based plans for children that respond to, and meet their level of risk and need.</i>	35	58	17	22	38	52	42	↓ -19%	↓ -36%		35	58	32	36	44				There has been a decrease in the number and % conversion from conference to CPP this month. Southampton's 12m average % conversion is 5% higher than the statistical neighbour average. This means that it is more likely for a conference to convert to a plan in Southampton. See above regarding likely impact of Strengthening Families.
CP4	Percentage of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) resulting in a Child Protection Plan (CPP) (based on count of children)	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	<i>Decisions made at Child Protection Conferences will result in appropriate, evidence-based plans for children that respond to, and meet their level of risk and need.</i>	97%	81%	77%	92%	88%	93%	88%	→ -6%	→ 2%	▲	89%	97%	86%	86%	84%				There has been a decrease in the number and % conversion from conference to CPP this month. Southampton's 12m average % conversion is 5% higher than the statistical neighbour average. This means that it is more likely for a conference to convert to a plan in Southampton. See above regarding likely impact of Strengthening Families.
CP2b	Number of transfer-ins	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	<i>Children moving into Southampton receive a good standard of service and protection.</i>	0	0	1	7	0	5	3	↓ -40%	↑ 50%		2	7	Local	Local	Local				There were three transfers in during the month. When there are, the service manager asks for an update from the CP chair(s) to clarify if transfer procedures have been followed.

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CP2b %	Percentage of transfer-ins where child became subject to a CP Plan during period	bbc	Stuart Webb	Children moving into Southampton receive a good standard of service and protection.	-	-	0%	100%	-	80%	100%	↑ 25%	↑ 100%		80%	100%	Local	Local	Local				There were three transfers in during the month. When there are, the service manager asks for an update from the CP chair(s) to clarify if transfer procedures have been followed.
CP3-QL (val)	Number of children subject to Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) which were held within timescales (excludes transfer-ins)	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	Child Protection planning is timely, ensuring that the risks to children are discussed and responded to expediently.	34	50	16	19	15	32	13	↓ -59%	↓ -75%	▲	24	50	33	33	40				The poor performance this month is in part explained by the report not taking bank holidays into account; which has been raised with the data team. However, in light of ongoing poor performance, the QA Unit manager will meet with the HoS for CSC, the relevant service managers and the CP advisor to confirm an improvement plan in January 2021. The summary of reasons for late ICPC are given below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •10 children were actually in date due to the 2 bank holidays that PARIS does not count •14 children were out of timescales in receipt of request or there was insufficient time to allow 5 days for the police to attend •5 children had an ICPC arranged in time, but the ICPC had to be postponed due to the SW report not being ready or shared 2 days prior to conference. •8 children the social worker had put the wrong date of strategy discussion on the request, and therefore occurred out of date, these could have been accommodated within timescales if the correct date had been used. •1 was due to social worker availability
CP3-QL	Percentage of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) held within timescales (based on count of children)	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	Child Protection planning is timely, ensuring that the risks to children are discussed and responded to expediently.	94%	69%	73%	79%	35%	57%	27%	↓ -53%	↓ -61%	▲	61%	94%	84%	79%	77%				The poor performance this month is in part explained by the report not taking bank holidays into account; which has been raised with the data team. However, in light of ongoing poor performance, the QA Unit manager will meet with the HoS for CSC, the relevant service managers and the CP advisor to confirm an improvement plan in January 2021. The summary of reasons for late ICPC are given below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •10 children were actually in date due to the 2 bank holidays that PARIS does not count •14 children were out of timescales in receipt of request or there was insufficient time to allow 5 days for the police to attend •5 children had an ICPC arranged in time, but the ICPC had to be postponed due to the SW report not being ready or shared 2 days prior to conference. •8 children the social worker had put the wrong date of strategy discussion on the request, and therefore occurred out of date, these could have been accommodated within timescales if the correct date had been used. •1 was due to social worker availability
CP8-QL	Percentage of children subject to a Child Protection Plan seen in the last 15 working days.	bbc	Sarah Ward	The service is in regular contact with children subject to Child Protection planning to ensure that there is ongoing assessment of risk and opportunities to intervene effectively.	75%	75%	85%	62%	85%	92%	87%	→ -5%	→ 9%	▲	74%	92%	Local	Local	Local				A reduction of 5% since November, which is explained by capacity challenges within the service. The level and quality of contact with children and families will improve as the social work teams stabilise.
CP5-QL (val)	Number of new Child Protection Plans (CPP) where child had previously been subject of a CPP at any time (repeat)	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	The service is effective in managing the risks experienced by children and within families and where there is re-referral the issues are understood.	5	5	2	13	14	17	11	↓ -35%	↓ -45%	▼	8	17	7	8	9				12 month average is 1% lower than SN average and is not judged to be statistically significant.
CP5-QL	Percentage of new Child Protection Plans (CPP) where child had previously been subject of a CPP at any time (repeat)	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	The service is effective in managing the risks experienced by children and within families and where there is re-referral the issues are understood.	14%	9%	12%	41%	37%	30%	24%	↓ -19%	↓ -18%	▼	21%	41%	22%	21%	21%				12 month average is 1% lower than SN average and is not judged to be statistically significant.

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CP9	Number of children subject to Review Child Protection Conferences (RCPCs) in the month	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	Where children are subject to Child Protection planning, their cases are reviewed regularly to identify progress and any barriers.	135	101	73	123	112	86	70	↓ -19%	↓ -47%	▼	99	135	Local	Local	Local				Christmas period is likely to have impacted upon reduced number of RCPCs and therefore plans ceasing.
CP7	Number of ceasing Child Protection Plans (CPP), excluding temporary registrations	tbc	Stuart Webb	Where it is assessed that risks to a child have reduced there is a review of risk and the case is stepped down effectively.	48	38	25	53	42	47	37	↓ -21%	→ -8%	▲	41	63	34	37	47				Christmas period is likely to have impacted upon reduced number of RCPCs and therefore plans ceasing.
LAC1	Number of Looked after Children at end of period	tbc	Mary Hardy	Where it is assessed that there is no safe alternative, the local authority will take children into its care for their welfare and protection.	488	512	493	485	492	503	499	→ -1%	→ 1%	▼	493	512	496	514	541	515	495	420	The past month has seen a slight drop of 4 in the number of children in our care, so at 499 in December this is slightly above the 12 month average of 493 but below the 12 month maximum of 512 children who were in our care in July 2020.
LAC1-NT	Looked after Children rate per 10,000	tbc	Mary Hardy	The level of children in care is at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.	96	101	97	95	97	99	98	→ -1%	→ 1%	▼	97	101	86	65	53				As above, the rate has dropped correspondingly from 99 to 98 per 10,000 of population.
LAC2	Number of new Looked after Children (episodes)	tbc	Mary Hardy	Where children meet the threshold and there are no alternatives, they will be safe and have their welfare needs addressed through accommodation by the local authority.	10	29	9	8	23	25	11	↓ -56%	↑ 38%	▼	14	29	16	17	19				After higher rates of 23 and 25 respectively in October and November, there has been a significant drop back to 11 new LAC episodes in December, with the average for the past 12 months being at 14. The numbers of new episodes of care have fluctuated somewhat throughout the year making it more difficult to comment on trends.
LAC3	Number of ceasing Looked after Children (episodes)	tbc	Mary Hardy	Children will leave care in a planned way with clear networks of support around them.	9	6	24	17	16	14	12	↓ -14%	↓ -48%	▲	12	24	15	16	18				The numbers of children ceasing to be in our care have seen a steady month on month drop from 24 in August to 12 in December, which has also been the average number for the past 12 months.
LAC6 (val)	Number of adoptions (E11, E12)	tbc	Martin Smith	Children who are being adopted will receive timely and effective support.	2	0	4	4	4	1	4	↑ 300%	↑ 300%	▲	2	4	2	2	3	50			This month we are seeing further 'catch up' activity. We continue to see the court hear the backlog of applications lodged since the commencement of the pandemic. The court is sitting one session every other month to hear adoption applications.
LAC6 (%)	Percentage of adoptions (E11, E12)	tbc	Martin Smith	Children who are being adopted will receive timely and effective support.	22%	0%	17%	24%	25%	7%	33%	↑ 367%	↑ 667%		18%	50%	15%	12%	18%				33% of children leaving care this month was as a result of adoption orders being granted. Our 12 months average is currently consistent with our statistical neighbours.
LAC12 (val)	Number of Special Guardianship Orders (SGOs) (E43, E44)	tbc	Martin Smith	Children subject to Special Guardianship Orders will receive timely and effective support.	1	0	6	4	4	4	1	↓ -75%	↓ -67%		2	6	Local	Local	Local				There has been a slight lull in SGO orders granted this month, namely due to court hearing scheduled for December. The 4 month previous had seen high number as some court hearing backlog took place.
LAC12 (%)	Percentage of Special Guardianship Orders (SGOs) (E43, E44)	tbc	Martin Smith	Children subject to Special Guardianship Orders will receive timely and effective support.	11%	0%	25%	24%	25%	29%	8%	↓ -71%	↓ -36%		15%	29%	33%	13%	12%				8% of children leaving care this month was as a result of orders being granted.
LAC7-QL	Percentage of Looked after Children visited within timescales	tbc	Mary Hardy	The service is in regular contact with Looked after Children to ensure that there is ongoing assessment of risk and opportunities to intervene effectively.	78%	75%	73%	70%	80%	75%	85%	↑ 13%	→ 8%	▲	70%	85%	Local	Local	Local				This is a good news story with the remedial work we have been undertaking seemingly having had a positive impact on this indicator in the past month which has seen our visits increase from 75% in November to 85% in December - this is the highest it has been for the 14 months of data reported in this spreadsheet with potential for further improvement as reviews take place allowing more erroneous visiting frequencies to be corrected.
LAC10 (%)	Percentage of Looked after Children with an authorised CLA plan	tbc	Mary Hardy	Children have good quality care plans, to which they have contributed, and which meet their needs.	96%	95%	96%	96%	98%	97%	97%	→ 0%	→ 3%	▲	95%	98%	Local	Local	Local				No change as December has again seen 97% completion rate for authorised care plans, just as it was in November.

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LAC10-QL	Number of Looked after Children with an authorised CLA Plan	tbc	Mary Hardy	Children have good quality care plans, to which they have contributed, and which meet their needs.	467	487	473	467	480	486	482	→ -1%	→ 4%	▲	471	487	Local	Local	Local				As above.
LAC13	Number of current Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC) looked after at end of period	tbc	Mary Hardy	Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children are identified and supported by the local authority.	12	11	11	10	11	16	18	↑ 13%	↑ 50%		13	18	31	33	51				This indicator has seen a further increase of 2 from November to December so we now have 18 unaccompanied asylum seeking minors in our care, which is the highest this number has been in the 14 months of reporting on this spreadsheet, the average for the past 12 months being 13.
LAC14	Number of new unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC)	tbc	Mary Hardy	Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children are identified and supported by the local authority.	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	↓ -33%	- n/a		1	3	Local	Local	Local				Whilst it is still too soon to be commenting on any evolving trends, we have had 2 more asylum seeking minors come in to our care in December.
LAC11-QL	Number of Looked after Children aged 16+ or open Care Leavers with an authorised Pathway Plan	tbc	Mary Hardy	Care Leavers have a good quality Pathway Plans, to which they have contributed, and which meets their needs.	171	174	171	178	173	176	179	→ 2%	↑ 10%	▲	168	179	Local	Local	Local				This last month has again seen an increase of 3 young people in this cohort with an authorised Pathway Plan bringing the total in December to 179 which is the highest it has been in the past 12 months.
LAC11-QL (%)	Percentage of Looked after Children aged 16+ or open Care Leavers with an authorised Pathway Plan	tbc	Mary Hardy	Care Leavers have a good quality Pathway Plans, to which they have contributed, and which meets their needs.	96%	96%	94%	96%	98%	98%	97%	→ -1%	→ 3%	▲	95%	98%	Local	Local	Local				A 1% drop in completion rates to 97% in December is offset by an increase of 3 young people in to this cohort so actual performance level effectively remains unchanged for December.
NI147	Percentage of Care Leavers in contact and in suitable accommodation	tbc	Mary Hardy	Care Leavers are in accommodation that is safe and secure.	86%	86%	84%	85%	85%	85%	83%	→ -2%	→ 7%	▲	84%	86%	81%	85%	84%	92.0%	93.0%	94%	There has been a 2% drop to 83% in this indicator in December which is a concern and warrants further investigation to understand what has happened. It may be that contact with our care leavers has dropped as no contact constitutes a failure for this indicator as you cannot then know what the accommodation status is, but we need to scrutinise the data to establish the cause of the change with any certainty.
LAC9 (vnl)	Number of Looked after Children (LAC) placed with IFAs at end of period	tbc	Martin Smith	Our Looked after Children will benefit from high quality fostering provision, with our own carers wherever possible.	139	140	142	140	143	150	150	→ 0%	→ 0%	▼	144	150	Local	Local	Local	112	TBC	TBC	Our use of IFA carers has remained static.
LAC9	Percentage of IFA placements (of all looked after children)	tbc	Martin Smith	Our Looked after Children will benefit from high quality fostering provision, with our own carers wherever possible.	28%	27%	29%	29%	29%	30%	30%	→ 1%	→ -1%	▼	29%	30%	Local	Local	Local				Our use of IFA carers has remained static.
LAC16	Number of in-house foster carers at the end of period	tbc	Martin Smith	Our Looked after Children will benefit from high quality fostering provision, with our own carers wherever possible.	164	165	161	161	160	159	153	→ -4%	→ -7%	▲	164	172	Local	Local	Local	190	190	200	As expected the number of in house mainstream foster carers has seen a decline as the backlog of recording panel activity and closures is being addressed. Our loss of foster carers is not keeping pace with the gains, with a net loss of 5 in Q1/2. Reasons for resignations are known and mainly relate to retirement, personal circumstances or adopting their foster children. The recruitment strategy for 2020-23 is in place and staffing resources have been requested in order to implement the strategy and recruit more foster carers.
EHA	Number of Early Help Assessment (EHA) started in the month		Sean Hollehouse	Children and families benefit from an early help offer that is rooted in a good understanding of their needs.	96	139	132	124	124	127	112	→ -6%	↓ -12%		121	205	Local	Local	Local				
EHA	Number of Early Help Assessment (EHA) completed in the month INCLUDING adults aged 21+		Sean Hollehouse	Assessments are completed for adult family members where a need for support is identified.	258	278	263	250	308	265	221	- n/a	→ -5%		241	308	Local	Local	Local	288	336	TBC	Number of assessments completed are lower than rolling monthly average.

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EHTb	Number of Early Help Plans (EHPs) opened in the month (includes EHPs completed, and those still open at end of period)		Sean Holehouse	Children and families benefit from early help plans that meet their presenting needs.	233	339	280	252	338	275	208	- n/a	➔ 6%		242	339	Local	Local	Local				The rate of opened EHP's is slightly below the rolling monthly average. Teams continue to focus on timeliness standards and case closures to support families self reliance and case throughput. EH locality case holding (Snr FSW) service capacity is 109% (15 families per SFSW pro rata & adjusted for named staff with parenting hub course delivery). Total families open to locality Snr FSW's (27 FTE) is 358 (764 children) - Central 113 / West 110 / East 135 (excluding 74 families - L2/UP Sure Start & Housing targeted work identified as meeting TF criteria & tracked within the FM cohort).
EHTb	Number of Early Help Assessment (EHA) completed, EXCLUDING adults aged 21+		Sean Holehouse	Assessments are completed for a children where a need for early help support is identified..	192	186	177	175	204	183	159	- n/a	➔ -8%		169	204	Local	Local	Local				The rate of completed EHA's is slightly below the rolling monthly average. Early Help Assessments are undertaken holistically with a child 'lived experience' focus and within the Locality EH teams are mandated to use the Outcome Star tool with individual children (age appropriate) to support engagement and strength based practice.
CINS	Number of all Children in Need (CiN) (including Child Protection (CP) / Looked after Children (LAC) / Care Leavers	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	Children and families receive support safely, at the right threshold and in a timely manner; supported by the interface between Early Help and Social Care.	2339	2363	2256	2250	2301	2367	2247	- n/a	⬇ -13%		2350	2577	Local	Local	Local				Small reduction (127) in CiN overall since previous month. 12% reduction over 12m period
LSCB17a	Percentage of 16-17 year olds NEET or whose activity is not known		Debbie Blythe	Young people benefit from an effective work to engage them in education, training and employment.	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	0	0	- n/a	- n/a	▼	0	0	-	-	-				
YO2	Number of first time entrants to the Youth Justice System per 100,000 10-17 year olds in period		Debbie Blythe	Young people are appropriately diverted from entry into the criminal justice system through the local diversion / prevention offer.	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	0	0	⬇ -22%	- n/a	▼	0	0	417	327	256				
FM011	Families attached per quarter		Sean Holehouse	Families benefit from a robust local Troubled Families offer. (Families Matter)	44	39	28	34	36	22	23	- n/a	- n/a	▲	32	44	-	-	-				The targets for 2020/21 have been revised to account for the Coronavirus Public Health Emergency. Our attachment target is 223 families to be worked with (discreet target for 2020/21). The revised attachment target has been achieved in QTR 1 through existing attachments over and above the previous target (2775 above 2230). Approximately 40 additional families need to be attached per month to realise the PbR target based upon a 40% conversion rate. Need to investigate why new % of EH referrals are not attaching to FM cohort.
FM012	Payment per result (PBR) claims attached per quarter		Sean Holehouse	Family engagement in the Families Matter programme translates into PBR, for further investment into the programme.	35			51				- n/a	- n/a	▲	43	51	-	-	-				147 successfully worked with families (PbR certified claims) for QTR 1, 2 & 3 (60 in Qtr 3). This is a reduction on last year's quarterly average of ~100 with evidence of C-19 impacted regression on families FM outcomes (DV, worklessness, school attendance). The targets for 2020/21 have been revised to account for the Coronavirus Public Health Emergency & an adaptation made on school attendance made for QTR 2 & 3. Staff continue to work with any family requiring support. The new target of 371 PBR, assuming a 40% conversion rate (as per last year), would require an attached cohort of ~ 930 families. We are current tracking ~850 families. Future national TF programme has been announced in spending review for 21/22. Local grant and targets pending. Additional attachments can be made by reintroducing wider Children's Services activity back into the cohort (coding issues to be addressed), introducing Solent public health ECHO activity (FM data sharing agreement recently approved), and improving the quality of recording of cases on PARIS to meet the required standard for attachment.