

Corporate Parenting Monthly Performance Report

As at Month End: December 2020

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				Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20	YTD			Red	Amber	Target Green	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	STAT NEIGH AVE	BEST STAT NEIGH	NAT AVE	NAT TOP QTILE THRESHOLD	
LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN	6.1	Number of Looked After Children	Info	Count	607	613	615	-	↑			n/a	432	488	627	642	595					
	6.2	Rate of Looked After Children per 10,000 population aged under 18 (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Rate per 10,000	105.5	106.6	106.9	-	↓	Red			99.1	76.6	86.6	110.8	112.7	104.5	98.2	59.0	67.0	-
	6.3	Admissions of Looked After Children	Info	Count	12	16	14	140	↓				n/a	208	262	330	271	214				
	6.4	Number of children who have ceased to be Looked After Children	High	Count	19	10	12	120	↑				n/a	192	215	194	254	259				
	6.5	Percentage of LAC who have ceased to be looked after due to permanence (Special Guardianship Order, Residence Order, Adoption)	High	Percentage	36.8%	50.0%	66.7%	33.3%	↑	Green	<33%	33%>	35%+	40.1%	27.9%	27.3%	31.5%	32.4%				
	6.6	Number of SGOs started (Legal Status)	High	Count	2	6	4	23	↓					-	-	67	62	73				
	6.7	Percentage of LAC who have ceased to be looked after due to a Special Guardianship Order	High	Percentage	0.0%	10.0%	50.0%	11.7%	↑					-	9.8%	8.2%	13.1%	16.2%	12.3% (2017)	22.0% (2017)	12.0% (2017)	17.0% (2017)
	6.8	LAC cases reviewed within timescales	High	Percentage	97.1%	96.4%	96.2%	96.1%	↓	Green	<90%	90%>	95%+	83.3%	91.3%	90.6%	88.6%	90.8%				
	6.9	% of children adopted	High	Percentage	36.8%	50.0%	16.7%	21.7%	↓	Red	<20%	20%>	22.7%+	26.3%	14.4%	13.9%	12.6%	11.2%	17.3%	42.0%	12.0%	16.6%
	6.10	Health of Looked After Children - up to date Health Assessments	High	Percentage	87.9%	85.3%	80.1%	-	↓	Red	<90%	90%>	95%+	92.8%	89.5%	83.7%	91.8%	88.2%				
	6.11	Health of Looked After Children - up to date Dental Assessments	High	Percentage	34.5%	27.7%	20.7%	-	↓	Red	<90%	90%>	95%+	95.0%	57.3%	72.5%	88.4%	82.2%				
	6.12	Health of Looked After Children - Initial Health Assessments carried out within 20 working days	High	Percentage	85.7%	66.7%	84.6%	78.8%	↑					8.4%	18.2%	55.7%	51.1%	86.4%				
	6.13	% of LAC with a PEP (Termly)	High	Percentage	-	-	-	-	n/a		<90%	90%>	95%+	76.0%	97.8%	97.0%	93.6%	97.5%				
	6.14	% of LAC with up to date PEPs (Termly)	High	Percentage	-	-	-	-	n/a		<90%	90%>	95%+	-	-	98.9%	97.4%	95.0%				
	6.15	LAC Overall absence - % of sessions lost due to absence	Low	Percentage	-	-	-	-	n/a					5.0%	4.1%	5.7%	4.7%	4.6%	4.3%	2.9%	4.7%	3.9%
	6.16	% of LAC who are classed as persistent absentees	Low	Percentage	-	-	-	-	n/a					11.7%	12.2%	13.3%	11.7%	8.6%	10.0%	6.3%	10.9%	9.2%
	6.17	% of LAC with at least one fixed term exclusion	Low	Percentage	-	-	-	-	n/a					11.8%	13.1%	15.5%	12.5%	tbc	13.2%	10.6%	11.7%	10.0%
	6.18	% of LAC on reduced timetable arrangements	Low	Percentage	-	-	-	-	n/a					-	-	-	-	-				
	6.19	% of eligible LAC with an up to date plan	High	Percentage	93.2%	91.8%	91.9%	-	↑	Red	<93%	93%>	95%+	98.4%	79.1%	89.5%	98.0%	92.6%				
	6.20	% LAC visits up to date & completed within timescale of National Minimum standard	High	Percentage	97.7%	97.3%	97.1%	-	↓	Yellow	<95%	95%>	98%+	98.1%	74.0%	97.5%	96.9%	93.4%				
CARE LEAVERS	7.1	Number of care leavers	Info	Count	333	333	337	-	↑			n/a	197	223	255	298	313					
	7.2	% of eligible LAC & Care Leavers with a pathway plan	High	Percentage	95.2%	95.5%	89.0%	-	↓	Red	<93%	93%>	95%+	69.8%	99.3%	94.4%	87.4%	94.2%				
	7.3	% of eligible LAC & Care Leavers with an up to date pathway plan	High	Percentage	75.3%	76.8%	72.9%	-	↓					-	-	81.5%	82.0%	73.1%				
	7.4	% of care leavers in suitable accommodation	High	Percentage	96.1%	96.7%	97.0%	-	↑	Yellow	<95%	95%>	98%+	96.5%	97.8%	94.5%	93.6%	93.0%	86.6%	94.0%	85.0%	92.0%
	7.5	% of care leavers in employment, education or training	High	Percentage	61.6%	62.2%	65.3%	-	↑	Red	<70%	70%>	72%+	68.0%	62.9%	62.4%	62.8%	59.7%	56.0%	73.0%	51.0%	59.0%
PLACEMENTS	8.1	% of long term LAC in placements which have been stable for at least 2 years	High	Percentage	67.7%	67.2%	68.0%	-	↑	Yellow	<68%	68%>	70%+	72.7%	66.2%	61.2%	61.2%	62.1%	68.5%	77.0%	69.0%	73.0%
	8.2	% of LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 months (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Percentage	8.4%	8.6%	8.8%	-	↓	Green	13%+	13%<	10.8%<	13.0%	11.9%	13.4%	13.3%	11.1%	10.0%	6.0%	10.0%	8.0%
	8.3	% of LAC in a family based setting (Council Plan Indicator)	High	Percentage	81.2%	80.9%	80.8%	-	↓	Yellow			85%>	-	81.1%	81.0%	81.9%	81.5%				
	8.4	% of LAC placed with parents or other with parental responsibility (P1)	Low	Percentage	4.1%	4.4%	4.9%	-	↓					-	5.3%	4.3%	7.2%	5.4%				
	8.5	% of LAC in a Commissioned Placement	Low	Percentage	51.4%	51.5%	51.2%	-	↑					43.6%	43.2%	50.5%	52.3%	51.9%				
FOSTERING	9.1	Number of LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes family/friend carers)	High	Count	397	395	391	-	↓					-	353	414	427	405				
	9.2	% of LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes family/friend carers)	High	Percentage	65.4%	64.4%	63.6%	-	↓					-	56.3%	64.5%	66.5%	68.1%				
	9.3	Number of Foster Carers (Households)	High	Count	151	149	148	-	↓					156	161	154	149	147				
	9.4	Number of Foster Carers Recruited	High	Count	2	2	1	17	↓					13	32	16	11	18				
	9.5	Number of Foster Carers Deregistered	Info	Count	1	3	2	15	↓					16	22	25	21	20				

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ADOPTIONS	10.1	Number of adoptions	High	Count	7	5	2	26	↓				43	31	27	32	29					
	10.2	Number of adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	High	Count	1	0	0	4	→				23	12	16	11	9					
	10.3	% of adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	High	Percentage	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	15.4%	→	Red	<83%	83%>	85%+	53.5%	38.7%	59.3%	34.4%	31.0%				
	10.4	Average number of days between a child becoming Looked After and having a adoption placement (A10)	Low	YTD Average	396.1	416.8	427.3	-	↓	Green	511+	511<	487<	296.0	404.0	325.3	386.9	391.5	359.7	310.0	376.0	333.0
	10.5	Average number of days between a placement order and being matched with an adoptive family (A2)	Low	YTD Average	176.6	181.4	185.4	-	↓	Red	127+	127<	121<	136	232.9	124.8	212.4	146.0	160.0	91.0	178.0	138.0
WORKFORCE	11.5	Average number of cases per qualified social worker in LAC Teams 1-3	Within Limits	Average count	18.2	18.1	16.7	-	↓	Green	1+ above range limit	1 above / below range limit	14-20	-	-	12.6	19.4	17.9				

LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

DEFINITION Children in care or 'looked after children' are children who have become the responsibility of the local authority. This can happen voluntarily by parents struggling to cope or through an intervention by children's services because a child is at risk of significant harm.

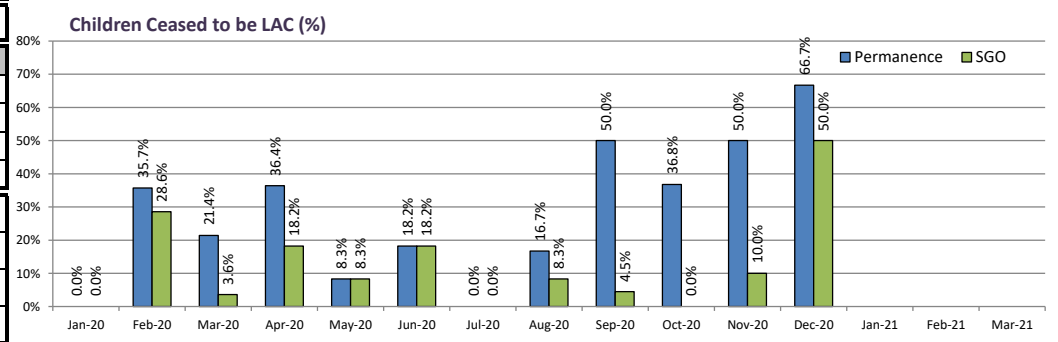
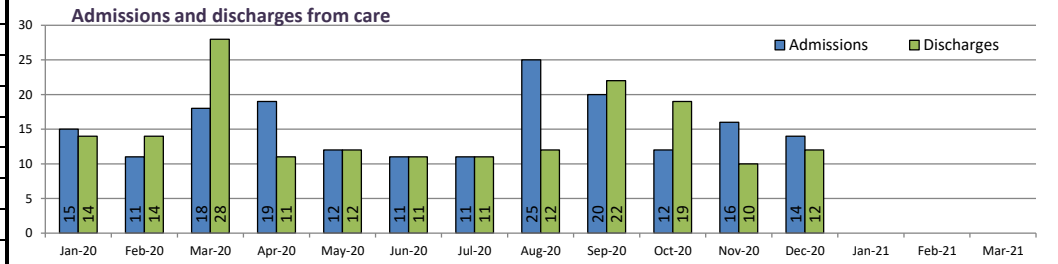
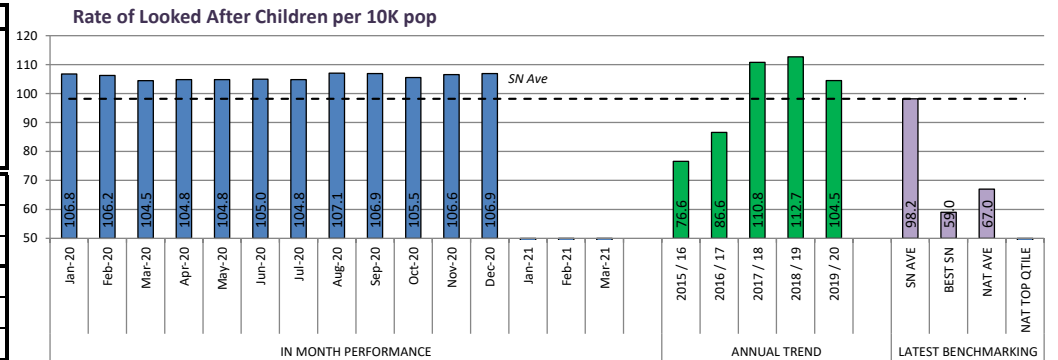
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS LAC numbers had remained relatively static at the start of the financial year but saw an increase in August & September 20 reaching 616. This has since fluctuated and at the end of December 20 there were 615 LAC. There remains a number of children in the adoption pathway as we catch up with Adoption Order appeals and hearings.

14 children became looked after and 12 children ceased to be looked after in December 20, with 66.7% of these children leaving care to permanence. 33.3% of children have ceased care to permanency year to date. This is the highest the overall percentage has been since 2015/16 (40.1% year-end).

4 SGO's were started in December 20 bring the year-to-date total to 23. 6 out of the 12 children (50.0%) who ceased to be looked after in December ceased care due to a Special Guardianship Order (SGO).

Data Note: An issue has arisen within the Liquid Logic system which is impacting on the reporting LAC children. For some children who have left care and have had previous care episodes, the same 'end date' is copying into the previous episodes within the system. This has been reported, however, until this is rectified we will be unable to accurately report on measures regarding children ceasing care.

	6.2	6.1	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.7	
	Rate of children looked after per 10K pop	Number of LAC	Admissions of children looked after (Episodes)	No. of children who have ceased to be LAC (Episodes)	% of children ceased to be LAC due to permanence (Episodes)	Number of SGO's started (Legal Status)	% of children ceased to be LAC due to an SGO	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	106.8	608	15	14	0.0%	6	0.0%
	Feb-20	106.2	605	11	14	35.7%	6	28.6%
	Mar-20	104.5	595	18	28	21.4%	5	3.6%
	Apr-20	104.8	603	19	11	36.4%	2	18.2%
	May-20	104.8	603	12	12	8.3%	1	8.3%
	Jun-20	105.0	604	11	11	18.2%	1	18.2%
	Jul-20	104.8	603	11	11	0.0%	1	0.0%
	Aug-20	107.1	616	25	12	16.7%	5	8.3%
	Sep-20	106.9	615	20	22	50.0%	1	4.5%
	Oct-20	105.5	607	12	19	36.8%	2	0.0%
	Nov-20	106.6	613	16	10	50.0%	6	10.0%
	Dec-20	106.9	615	14	12	66.7%	4	50.0%
	Jan-21							
Feb-21								
Mar-21								
YTD	2020 / 21	-	-	140	120	33.3%	23	11.7%
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	76.6	432	208	192	40.1%	-	-
	2016 / 17	86.6	488	262	215	27.9%	-	9.8%
	2017 / 18	110.8	627	330	194	27.3%	67	8.2%
	2018 / 19	112.7	642	271	254	31.5%	62	13.1%
	2019 / 20	104.5	595	214	259	32.4%	73	16.2%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE	98.2						12.3% (2017)
	BEST SN	59.0						22.0% (2017)
	NAT AVE	67.0						12.0% (2017)
	NAT TOP QTILE	-						17.0% (2017)



LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - REVIEWS, PLANS & VISITS

DEFINITION The purpose of a LAC review meeting is to consider the plan for the welfare of the looked after child and achieve Permanence for them within a timescale that meets their needs. The review is chaired by an Independent Reviewing Officer (IRO)
 The LA is also responsible for appointing a representative to visit the child wherever he or she is living to ensure that his/her welfare continues to be safeguarded and promoted. The minimum national timescales for visits is within one week of placement, then six weekly until the child has been in placement for a year and the 12 weekly thereafter. Rotherham have set a higher standard of within first week then four weekly thereafter until the child has been permanently matched to the placement.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

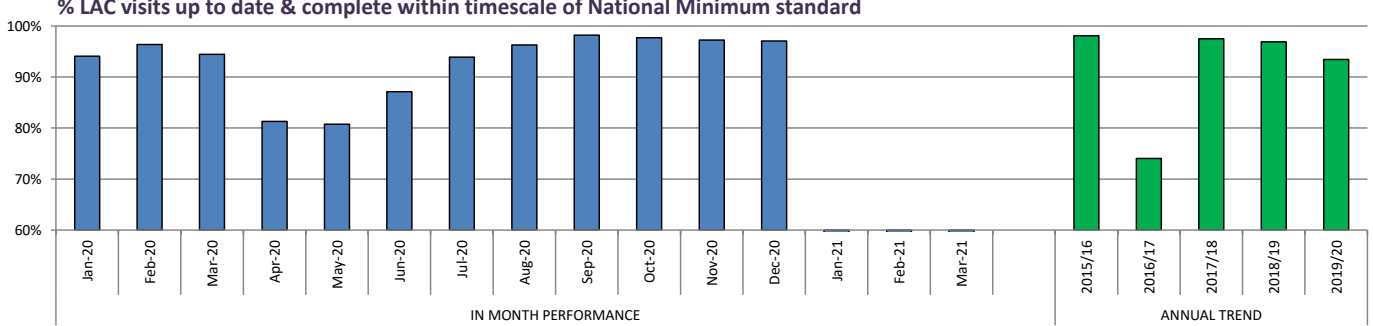
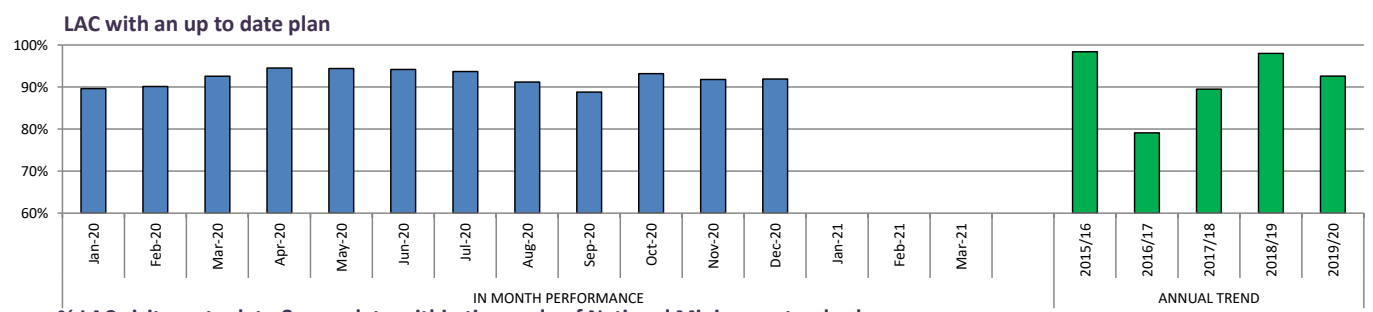
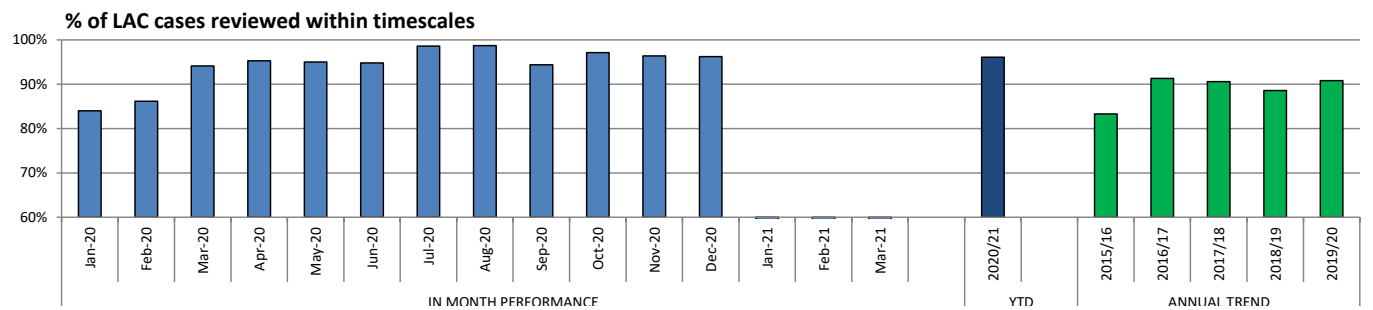
96.2% of LAC reviews were held within timescale during December 20.

LAC with an up-to-date plan has remained fairly static in December at 91.9% compared to 91.8% in November 20.

LAC visits in time (NMS) showed a small reduction in December 20 with 97.1% being in time (November 20; 97.3%). There were no virtual visits recorded during December 20.

6.8	6.19	6.20
% of LAC cases reviewed within timescales	LAC with an up to date plan	% LAC visits up to date & complete within timescale of National Minimum standard

IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	105 of 125	84.0%	89.6%	573 of 609	94.1%
	Feb-20	106 of 123	86.2%	90.1%	583 of 605	96.4%
	Mar-20	176 of 187	94.1%	92.6%	563 of 596	94.5%
	Apr-20	142 of 149	95.3%	94.5%	492 of 605	81.3%
	May-20	133 of 140	95.0%	94.4%	487 of 603	80.8%
	Jun-20	128 of 135	94.8%	94.2%	528 of 606	87.1%
	Jul-20	142 of 144	98.6%	93.7%	571 of 608	93.9%
	Aug-20	76 of 77	98.7%	91.2%	595 of 618	96.3%
	Sep-20	185 of 196	94.4%	88.8%	605 of 616	98.2%
	Oct-20	136 of 140	97.1%	93.2%	595 of 609	97.7%
	Nov-20	161 of 167	96.4%	91.8%	602 of 619	97.3%
	Dec-20	128 of 133	96.2%	91.9%	599 of 617	97.1%
	Jan-21					
Feb-21						
Mar-21						
YTD	2020/21	1231 of 1281	96.1%	-	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16		83.3%	98.4%		98.1%
	2016/17	652 of 714	91.3%	79.1%		74.0%
	2017/18	1502 of 1658	90.6%	89.5%		97.5%
	2018/19	1668 of 1883	88.6%	98.0%		96.9%
	2019/20	1612 of 1775	90.8%	92.6%		93.4%



LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - HEALTH

DEFINITION Local authorities have a duty to safeguard and to promote the welfare of the children they look after, therefore the local authority should make arrangements to ensure that every child who is looked after has his/her health needs fully assessed and a health plan clearly set out.

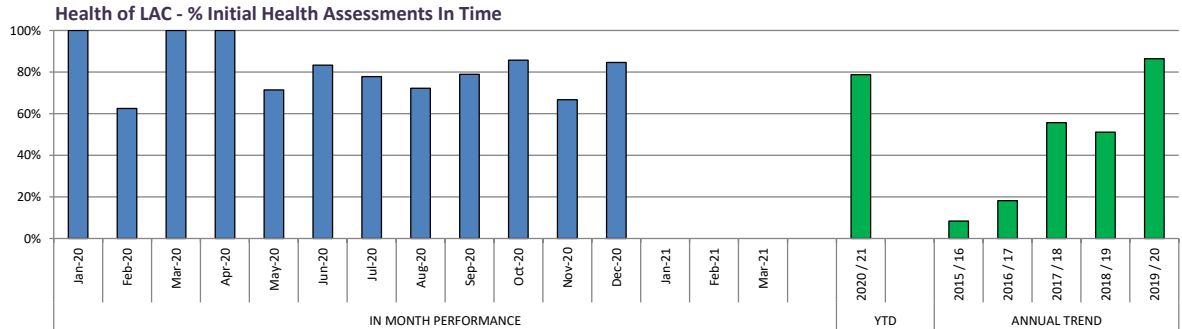
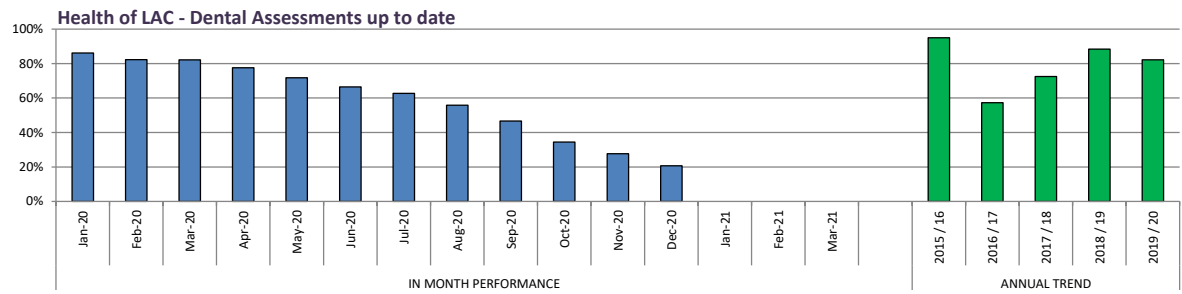
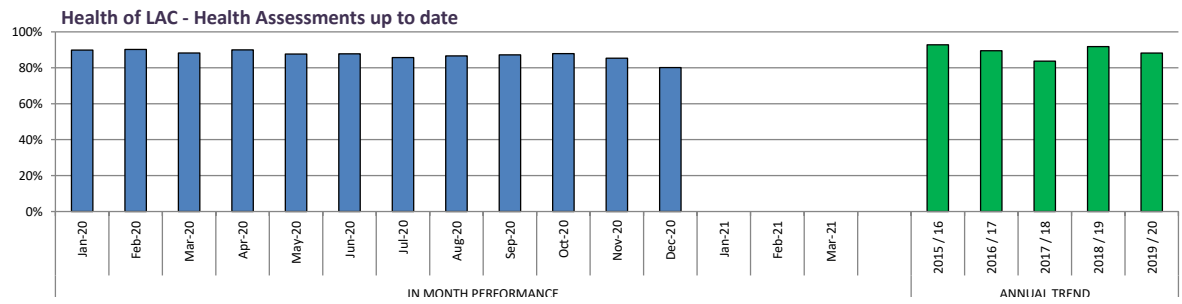
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

Health checks have seen a gradual decline since April 20 (90.0%) to 80.1% in December 20.

Dental checks are continuing a downward trend that started in October 2019 (88.1%) and since the Covid-19 pandemic this has reduced down month by month since to 20.7% in December 20. Due to the pandemic, since March 20 dental surgeries have either closed or only been providing emergency care at times which has significantly affected LAC being able to attend assessments. There is focused work in place via the Health and Wellbeing partnership and as dentists seek to reopen there is a clear plan to support a focused increase in dental checks.

13 initial health assessments were completed in December 20 and 84.6% (11 assessments) were completed within timescale. Year to date, 78.8% of assessments have been completed in time which is not currently meeting the year end performance of 2019/20 (86.4%) but is above other previous years and is considered to be positive under the current demands and pressures related to Covid-19.

		6.10	6.11	6.12	
		Health of LAC - Health Assessments up to date	Health of LAC - Dental Assessments up to date	Health of LAC - No. Initial Health Assessments In Time	Health of LAC - % Initial Health Assessments In Time
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	89.9%	86.1%	18 of 18	100.0%
	Feb-20	90.2%	82.3%	5 of 8	62.5%
	Mar-20	88.2%	82.2%	13 of 13	100.0%
	Apr-20	90.0%	77.6%	7 of 7	100.0%
	May-20	87.7%	71.8%	15 of 21	71.4%
	Jun-20	87.8%	66.5%	5 of 6	83.3%
	Jul-20	85.7%	62.7%	7 of 9	77.8%
	Aug-20	86.6%	55.8%	13 of 18	72.2%
	Sep-20	87.2%	46.6%	15 of 19	78.9%
	Oct-20	87.9%	34.5%	12 of 14	85.7%
	Nov-20	85.3%	27.7%	4 of 6	66.7%
	Dec-20	80.1%	20.7%	11 of 13	84.6%
	Jan-21				
Feb-21					
Mar-21					
YTD	2020 / 21	-	-	89 of 113	78.8%
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	92.8%	95.0%		8.4%
	2016 / 17	89.5%	57.3%		18.2%
	2017 / 18	83.7%	72.5%		55.7%
	2018 / 19	91.8%	88.4%	136 of 266	51.1%
	2019 / 20	88.2%	82.2%	172 of 199	86.4%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE				
	BEST SN				
	NAT AVE				
	NAT TOP QTILE				



LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - EDUCATION

DEFINITION

A personal education plan (PEP) is a school based meeting to plan for the education of a child in care. The government have made PEPs a statutory requirement for children in care to help track and promote their achievements. (PEPs are now in place for LAC aged two to their 18th birthday.)

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

All measures are reported termly, Autumn term 2020/21 performance will be reported in February 2021 as the new reporting system is still being worked on to ensure data is as accurate as possible.

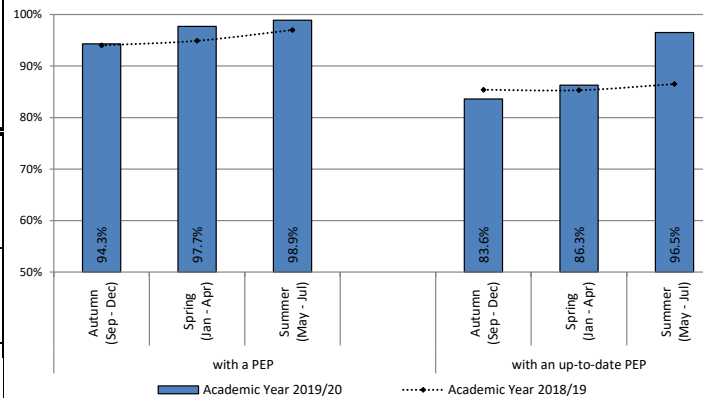
The Summer Term PEP completion rates show a slight increase in the LAC with a PEP measure (98.9%) and a significant increase in the number of PEPs in time (96.5%), when compared to the previous Spring term. These figures also show an improvement on last year's performance (2018/19 Academic Year - with a PEP - 97.5% / up to date PEP - 95.0%). This is due in part to the impact of home working supporting increased capacity for the advisers. Of the 19 young people who didn't have a PEP in the summer term 16 either became LAC or ended being LAC during the term and 3 young people did not have a PEP following the request of the CDT team manager. These young people were said to be under a different criterion of care that meant they did not require a PEP.

During Covid-19, schools closed with vulnerable pupils and key worker's children being able to attend if required. Monitoring for LAC (including whether children physically attended or were being educated by their foster carer etc) was undertaken by the Virtual School and this was reported on a weekly basis to CYPs DLT and also the strategic GOLD meeting. Virtual School attendance from September 20 (start of the new academic year) is now being monitored from within the ePEP system. This will improve the overall quality of the attendance data we hold and will now include all our eligible children from 2-18. All schools and Education providers are aware of the changes and training is being offered. This and other changes to the ePEP to improve the overall quality of the PEP and the data we hold is now live on the ePEP system.

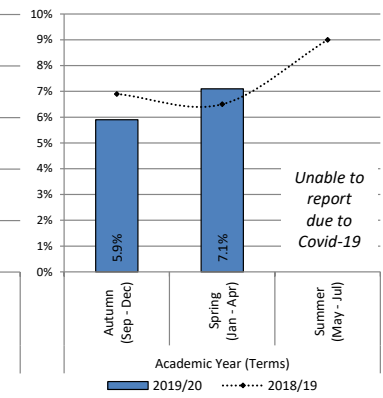
Data Note: System produced reports have now been introduced for the below measures which has caused some changes in performance. (PEP data from April 19 onwards is now produced direct from the ePEP system. From June 19 onwards all attendance data is now extracted direct from attendance systems.)

		6.13	6.14	6.15	6.16	6.17	6.18
		% LAC with a Personal Education Plan (Termly)	% LAC with up to date Personal Education Plan (Termly)	LAC Overall absence - % of sessions lost due to absence (LAC continuous for at least 12 months)	% of LAC who are classed as persistent absentees (LAC continuous for at least 12 months - missing 10%+ sessions)	% of LAC with at least one fixed term exclusion (LAC continuous for at least 12 months)	% of LAC on reduced timetable arrangements (All LAC)
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Autumn Term (2019/20)	94.3%	83.6%	5.9%	14.4%	9.3%	5.9%
	Spring Term (2019/20)	97.7%	86.3%	7.1%	19.1%	12.6%	7.2%
	Summer Term (2019/20)	98.9%	96.5%	(Summer Term 2019/20 was during Covid-19 lockdown. LAC attendance was monitored and reported via the weekly 'GOLD Meetings'.)			
	Autumn Term (2020/21)						
YTD	2019/20	-	-	-	-	-	-
ANNUAL TREND (ACADEMIC YEAR)	2014/15	76.0%	-	5.0%	11.7%	11.8%	-
	2015/16	97.8%	-	4.1%	12.2%	13.1%	-
	2016/17	97.0%	98.9%	5.7%	13.3%	15.5%	-
	2017/18	93.6%	97.4%	4.7%	11.7%	12.5%	-
	2018/19	97.5%	95.0%	4.6%	8.6%	tbc	-
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE			4.3%	10.0%	13.2%	-
	BEST SN			2.9%	6.3%	10.6%	-
	NAT AVE			4.7%	10.9%	11.7%	-
	NAT TOP QTILE			4.0%	9.2%	10.0%	-

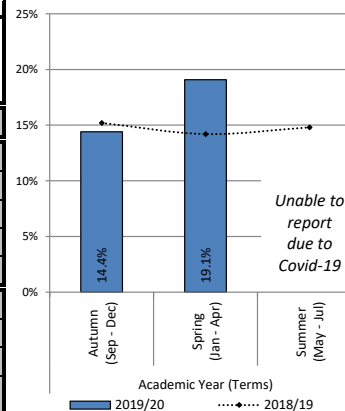
% of LAC with a PEP & % with an up-to-date PEP



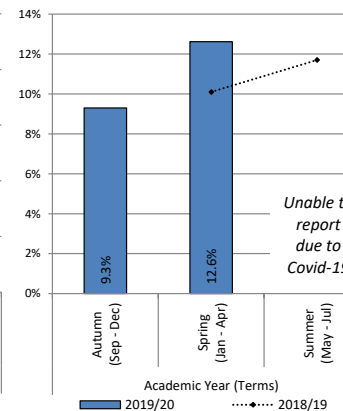
% of sessions lost due to absence



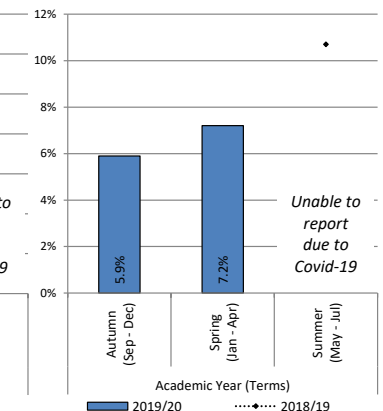
% of LAC persistent absentees



% of LAC with a fixed term exclusion



% of LAC on a reduced timetable



LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - PLACEMENTS

DEFINITION

A LAC placement is where a child has become the responsibility of the local authority (LAC) and is placed with foster carers, in residential homes or with parents or other relatives.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

The percentage of children and young people experiencing long term placement stability remains high with 68% being stable for at least 2 years. This remains a positive indicator.

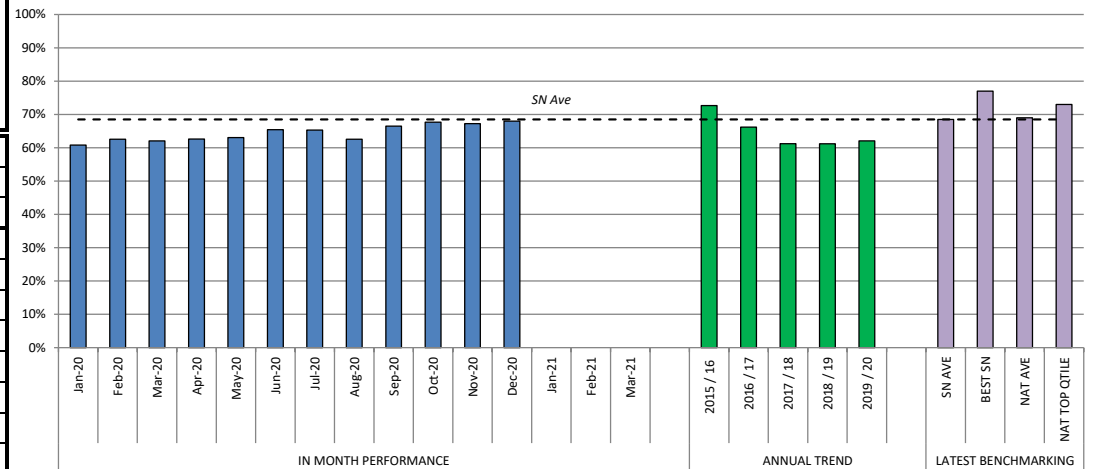
The percentage of children having 3 or more placements in the last rolling 12 months has slightly increased once again in December 20 to 8.8%, from 8.6% in November 20. The increase since October reflects some of the placement instability brought by Covid-19.

The percentage of children in a family-based placement has been fairly consistent between 81-82% until recent months where we have started to see this fall below 81% (December 80.8%). Similarly, LAC in a commissioned placement is also fairly consistent ranging between 50-52%; December 20 was 51.2% (315/615).

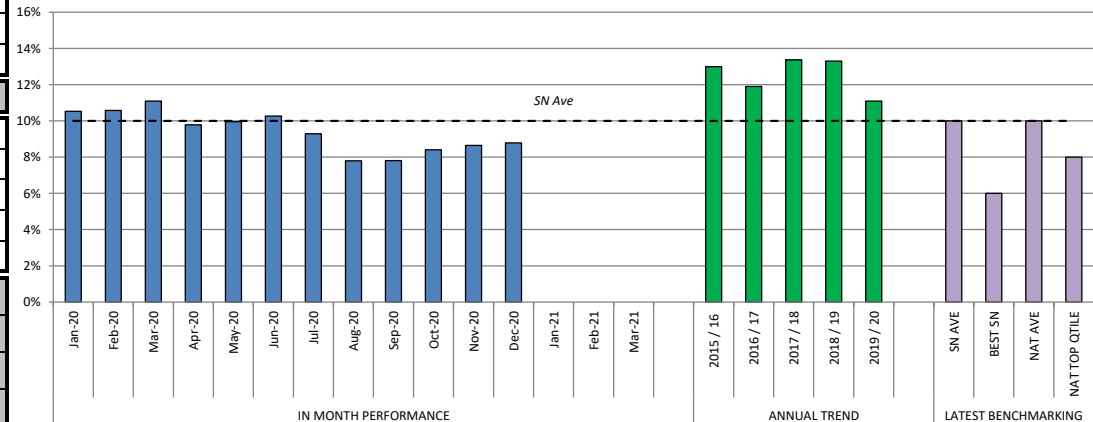
Date Note [March 20]: External Fostering numbers are now report direct from Liquid Logic.

		8.1		8.2		8.3		8.4		8.5	
		Long term LAC placements stable for at least 2 years		LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 mth		% of LAC in a family Based setting (includes living with parents)		% of LAC placed with parents or other with parental responsibility (P1)		LAC in a Commissioned Placement (External Fostering & Residential)	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	118 of 194	60.8%	64 of 608	10.5%	81.1%	5.1%	330 of 608	54.3%		
	Feb-20	122 of 195	62.6%	64 of 605	10.6%	81.5%	6.1%	326 of 605	53.9%		
	Mar-20	126 of 203	62.1%	66 of 595	11.1%	81.5%	5.4%	309 of 595	51.9%		
	Apr-20	129 of 206	62.6%	59 of 603	9.8%	81.8%	5.5%	310 of 603	51.4%		
	May-20	135 of 214	63.1%	60 of 603	10.0%	82.3%	5.5%	313 of 603	51.9%		
	Jun-20	144 of 220	65.5%	62 of 604	10.3%	82.1%	5.3%	307 of 604	50.8%		
	Jul-20	145 of 222	65.3%	56 of 603	9.3%	82.6%	4.6%	315 of 603	52.2%		
	Aug-20	142 of 227	62.6%	48 of 616	7.8%	81.8%	4.9%	315 of 616	51.1%		
	Sep-20	153 of 230	66.5%	48 of 615	7.8%	81.6%	4.4%	312 of 615	50.7%		
	Oct-20	153 of 226	67.7%	51 of 607	8.4%	81.2%	4.1%	312 of 607	51.4%		
	Nov-20	156 of 232	67.2%	53 of 613	8.6%	80.9%	4.4%	316 of 613	51.5%		
	Dec-20	155 of 228	68.0%	54 of 615	8.8%	80.8%	4.9%	315 of 615	51.2%		
		Jan-21									
	Feb-21										
	Mar-21										
YTD	2020 / 21		-		-		-		-		-
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	109 of 150	72.7%	56 of 431	13.0%	-	-	188 of 431	43.6%		
	2016 / 17	96 of 145	66.2%	58 of 488	11.9%	81.1%	5.3%	211 of 488	43.2%		
	2017 / 18	90 of 147	61.2%	83 of 621	13.4%	81.0%	4.3%	315 of 624	50.5%		
	2018 / 19	90 of 147	61.2%	85 of 638	13.3%	81.9%	7.2%	336 of 642	52.3%		
	2019 / 20	126 of 203	62.1%	66 of 595	11.1%	81.5%	5.4%	309 of 595	51.9%		
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE		68.5%		10.0%						
	BEST SN		77.0%		6.0%						
	NAT AVE		69.0%		10.0%						
	NAT TOP QTILE		73.0%		8.0%						

% long term LAC placements stable for at least 2 years



% LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 months



FOSTERING

DEFINITION A foster care family provide the best form of care for most Looked after children. Rotherham would like most of its children to be looked after by its own carers so that they remain part of their families and community .

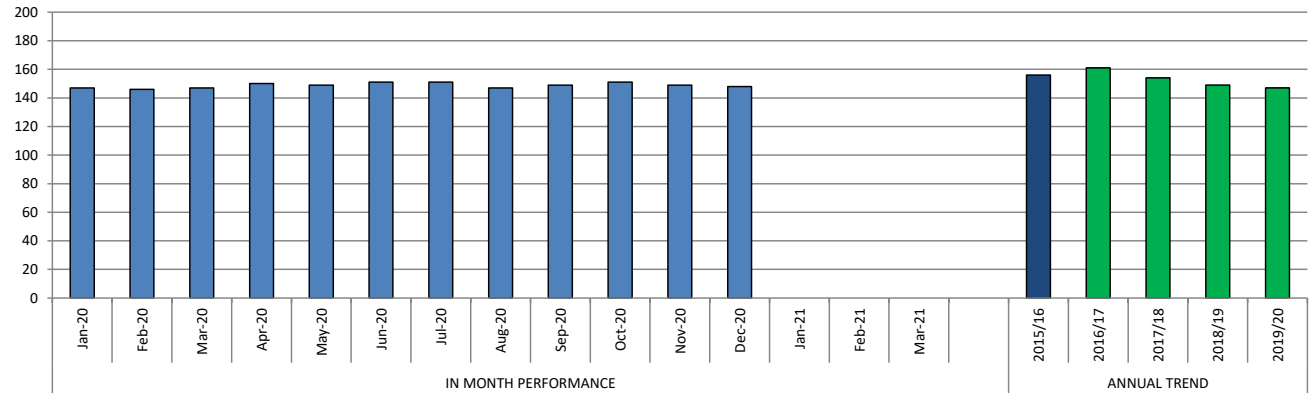
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

The number of LAC in a fostering placement has reduced in recent months to 391 in December 20 from 420 in January 20. However, the number of fostering households remains fairly stable at 148, compared to 147 in January.

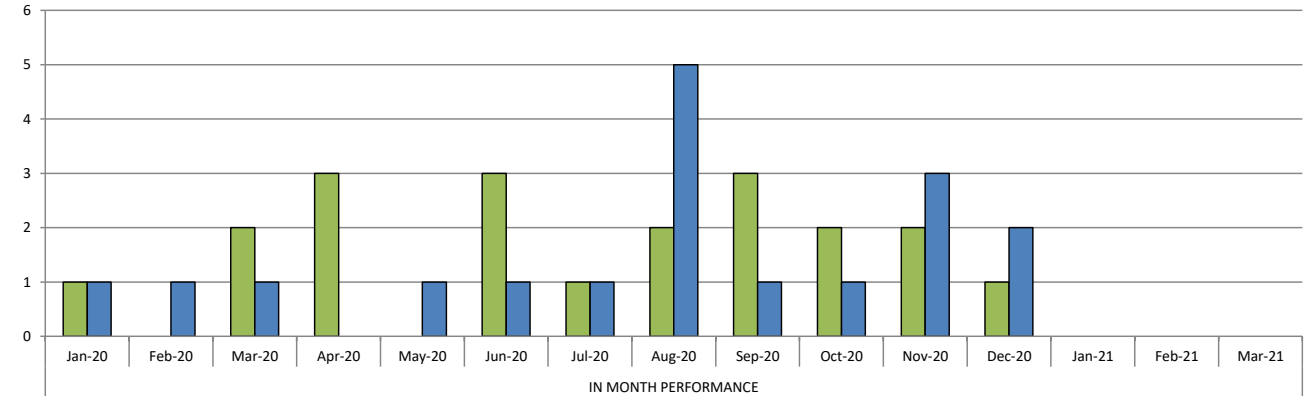
1 set of foster carers were approved during December 20 and there were 2 resignations. This brings the number of new Foster carer approvals to 17 and deregistration's to 15 in 2020-21 thus far. A key element to factor in is that carers who resign are often more established and are often approved for 2 or more young people. New carers usually start with 1 or potentially 2 children. The combination of newer carers coming in and some placements being on hold due to Covid-19 means while the number of fostering households look the same the number of young people in fostering are lower than at the start of the year. These foster carers will grow and have potential for future placements. Themes around resignations are linked to families revisiting their commitments in light of their own family commitments.

		9.1	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.5
		Number of LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes relative/friend)	% of total LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes relative/friend)	Number of Foster Carers (Households)	Number of Foster Carers Recruited (Households)	Number of Foster Carers De-registered (Households)
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	420	69.1%	147	1	1
	Feb-20	417	68.9%	146	0	1
	Mar-20	405	68.1%	147	2	1
	Apr-20	410	68.0%	150	3	0
	May-20	412	68.3%	149	0	1
	Jun-20	409	67.7%	151	3	1
	Jul-20	411	68.2%	151	1	1
	Aug-20	416	67.5%	147	2	5
	Sep-20	417	67.8%	149	3	1
	Oct-20	397	65.4%	151	2	1
	Nov-20	395	64.4%	149	2	3
	Dec-20	391	63.6%	148	1	2
	Jan-21					
Feb-21						
Mar-21						
YTD	2020/21	-	-	-	17	15
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16	-	-	156	13	16
	2016/17	353	1	161	32	22
	2017/18	414	64.5%	154	16	25
	2018/19	427	66.5%	149	11	21

Number of Foster Carers



Fostering Recruitment & De-registrations



ADOPTIONS

DEFINITION

Following a child becoming a LAC, it may be deemed suitable for a child to become adopted which is a legal process of becoming a non-biological parent. The date it is agreed that it is in the best interests of the child that they should be placed for adoption is known as their 'SHOBPA'. Following this a family finding process is undertaken to find a suitable match for the child based on the child's needs, they will then be matched with an adopter(s) followed by placement with their adopter(s). This adoption placement is monitored for a minimum of 10 weeks and assessed as stable and secure before the final adoption order is granted by court decision and the adoption order is made .
Targets for measures A1 and A2 are set centrally by government office.

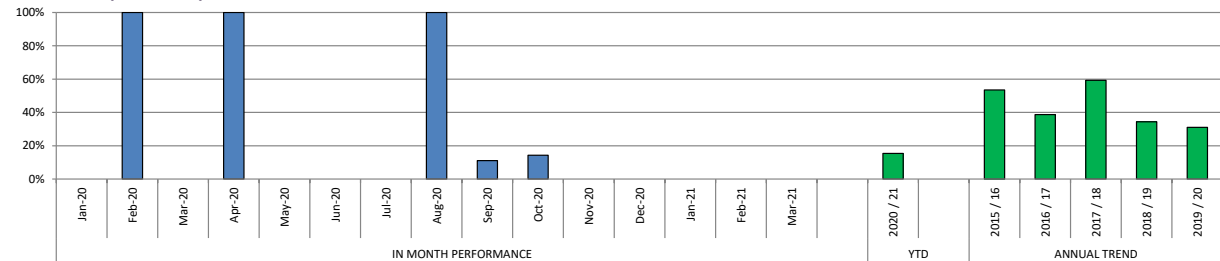
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

The current year to date total of adoptions is 26 with 23 of these taking place since September 20 due to delays as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. The increase in adoptions completed is reassuring to see and highlights that despite the Covid-19 pandemic the service has continued to ensure transitions to support adoption, adoption support and applications have continued to be progressed, ready for court coming back online.
The A1 measure for 2020/21 is reporting at 427.3 days and the A2 measure is reporting at 185.4 days in December 20.

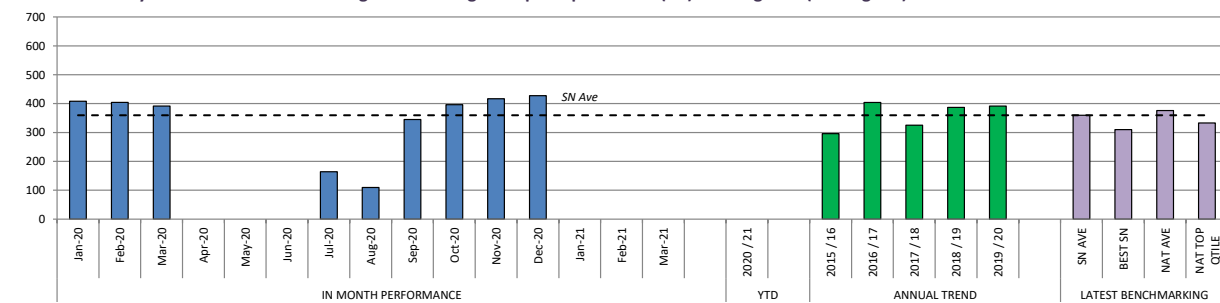
Data Note: Performance is taken from a manual tracker updated in service as not all of the data is currently recorded on I.C.S.

	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.5	
	Number of adoptions	Number of adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	% adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	Av. No. days between a child becoming LAC & having a adoption placement (A1) (ytd. ave.)	Av. No. days between placement order & being matched with adoptive family (A2) (ytd. ave.)	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	0	0	-	408.0	146.1
	Feb-20	1	1	100.0%	404.1	143.7
	Mar-20	3	0	-	391.5	146.0
	Apr-20	1	1	100.0%	0.0	n/a
	May-20	0	0	-	0.0	n/a
	Jun-20	0	0	-	0.0	n/a
	Jul-20	1	0	0.0%	164.0	84.5
	Aug-20	1	1	100.0%	109.3	79.7
	Sep-20	9	1	11.1%	344.8	145.0
	Oct-20	7	1	14.3%	396.1	176.6
	Nov-20	5	0	0.0%	416.8	181.4
	Dec-20	2	0	0.0%	427.3	185.4
	Jan-21					
Feb-21						
Mar-21						
YTD	2020 / 21	26	4	15.4%	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015 / 16	43	23	53.5%	296.0	136.0
	2016 / 17	31	12	38.7%	404.0	232.9
	2017 / 18	27	16	59.3%	325.3	124.8
	2018 / 19	32	11	34.4%	386.9	212.4
	2019 / 20	29	9	31.0%	391.5	146.0
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE				359.7	160.0
	BEST SN				310.0	91.0
	NAT AVE				376.0	178.0
	NAT TOP QTILE				333.0	138.0

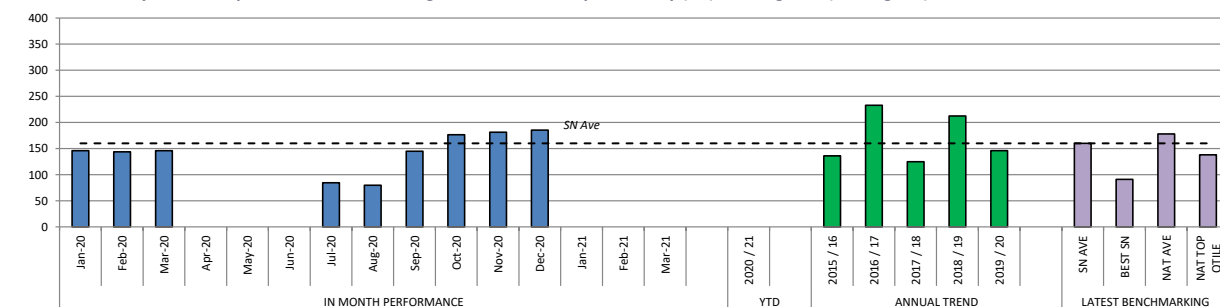
% adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA



Av. No. days between a child becoming LAC & having a adoption placement (A1) - Rolling Year (low is good)



Av. No. days between placement order & being matched with adoptive family (A2) - Rolling Year (low is good)



*Annual Trend relates to current reporting year April to Mar - not rolling year

**adoptions have a 28 day appeal period so any children adopted in the last 28 days are still subject to appeal

CARE LEAVERS

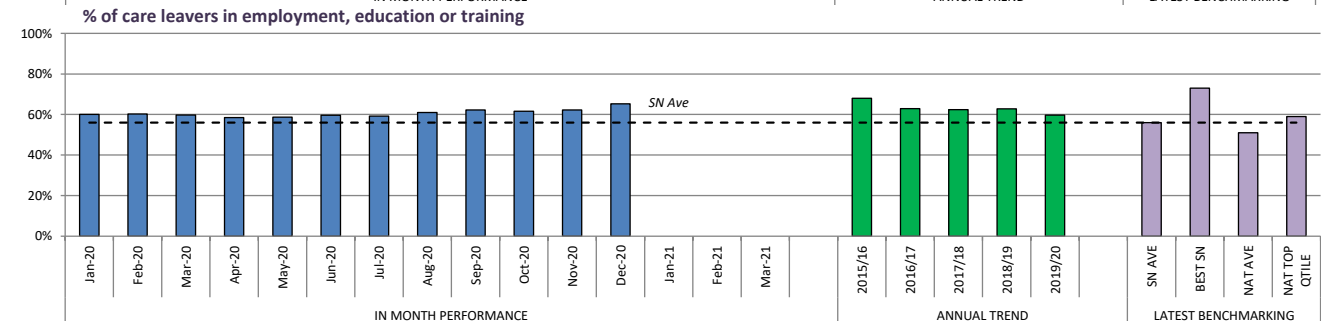
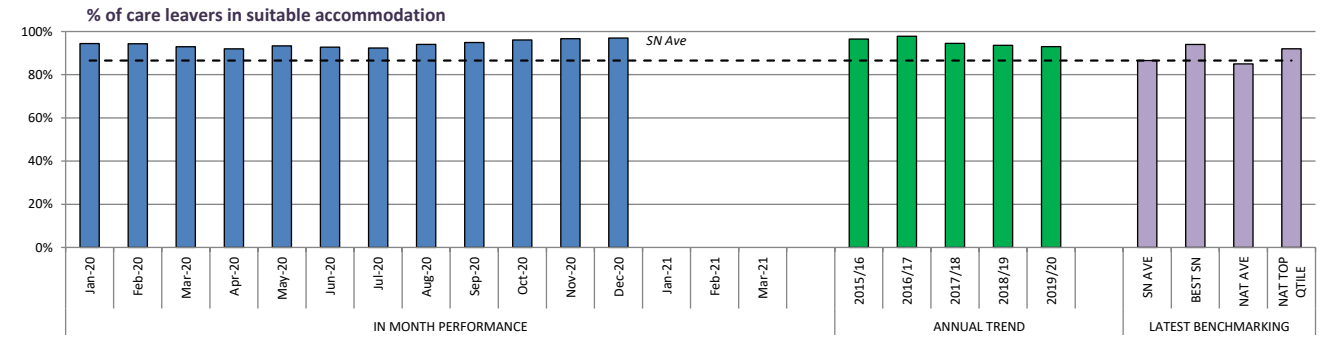
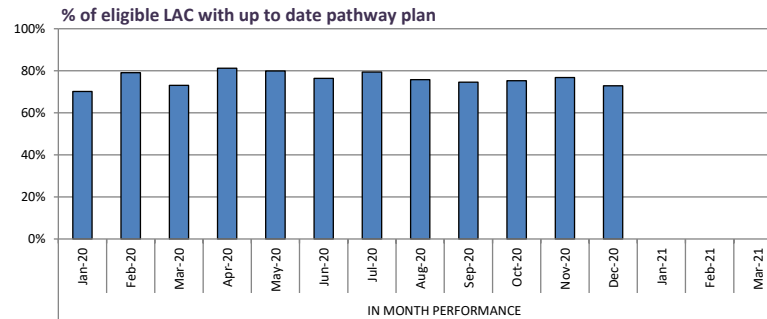
DEFINITION A care leaver is defined as a person aged 25 or under, who has been looked after away from home by a local authority for at least 13 weeks since the age of 14; and who was looked after away from home by the local authority at school-leaving age or after that date. Suitable accommodation is defined as any that is not prison or bed and breakfast.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

At the end of December 20, the care leavers cohort had increased by 4 up to 337 from November when it was 333.

All care leavers measures continue to fluctuate month on month and in December 20 both pathway plan measures saw a fall in how many care leavers have a plan and how many are up to date. However, performance for care leavers in suitable accommodation and care leavers in employment, education, or training both continued to increase during December 20 which shows the ongoing positive work of the network around the young people, despite the challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic and acknowledged impact on this age group nationally.

		7.1	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.5
		Number of care leavers	% of eligible Care Leavers with a pathway plan	% of eligible Care Leavers with up to date pathway plan	% of care leavers in suitable accommodation	% of care leavers in employment, education or training
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	320	91.8%	70.2%	94.4%	60.0%
	Feb-20	317	94.0%	79.1%	94.3%	60.3%
	Mar-20	313	94.2%	73.1%	93.0%	59.7%
	Apr-20	325	93.2%	81.2%	92.0%	58.5%
	May-20	329	93.0%	79.9%	93.3%	58.7%
	Jun-20	332	91.8%	76.4%	92.8%	59.6%
	Jul-20	331	94.2%	79.4%	92.4%	59.2%
	Aug-20	331	94.5%	75.8%	94.0%	61.0%
	Sep-20	336	93.1%	74.6%	94.9%	62.2%
	Oct-20	333	95.2%	75.3%	96.1%	61.6%
	Nov-20	333	95.5%	76.8%	96.7%	62.2%
	Dec-20	337	89.0%	72.9%	97.0%	65.3%
	Jan-21					
Feb-21						
Mar-21						
YTD	2020/21	-	-	-	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2015/16	197	69.8%	-	96.5%	68.0%
	2016/17	223	99.3%	-	97.8%	62.9%
	2017/18	255	94.4%	81.5%	94.5%	62.4%
	2018/19	298	87.4%	82.0%	93.6%	62.8%
	2019/20	313	94.2%	73.1%	93.0%	59.7%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE				86.6%	56.0%
	BEST SN				94.0%	73.0%
	NAT AVE				85.0%	51.0%
	NAT TOP QNTILE				92.0%	59.0%



CASELOADS

DEFINITION

Caseload figures relate to the number of children the social worker is currently the lead key worker. Fieldwork teams relate to frontline social care services including the four Duty Teams, none Long Term CIN Teams, two LAC teams and the CSE Team. All averages are calculated on a full time equivalency basis, based on the number of hours the worker is contracted to work.

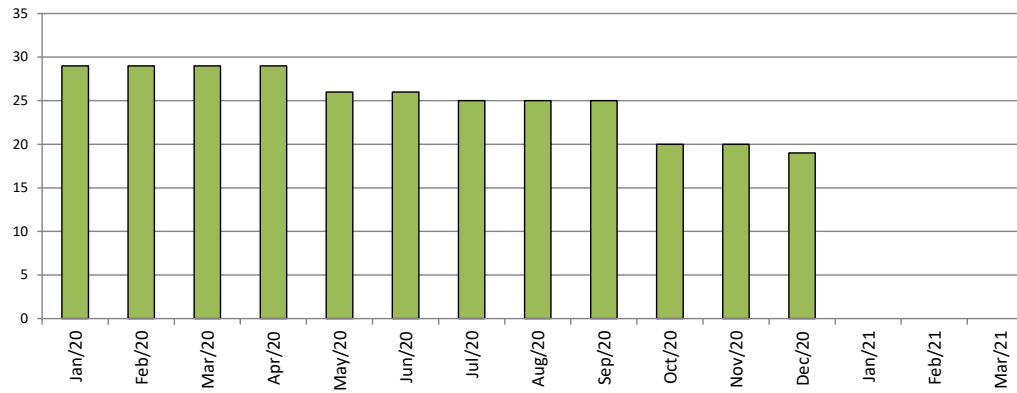
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES / CONCERNS

The highest caseload within all key safeguarding teams increased further to 31 in December 20 which is the highest it has been since February 20 (32). However, the highest caseload within LAC teams reduced by 1 to 19. Safeguarding services average caseloads increased in December 20 with the exception of the LAC service where it reduced (-1.4). The Duty service had an increase of 1.3 taking the average caseload up to 16.1; following a significant reduction in November (-3.2) (Nov: 14.8 av. / Oct: 18.0 av.).

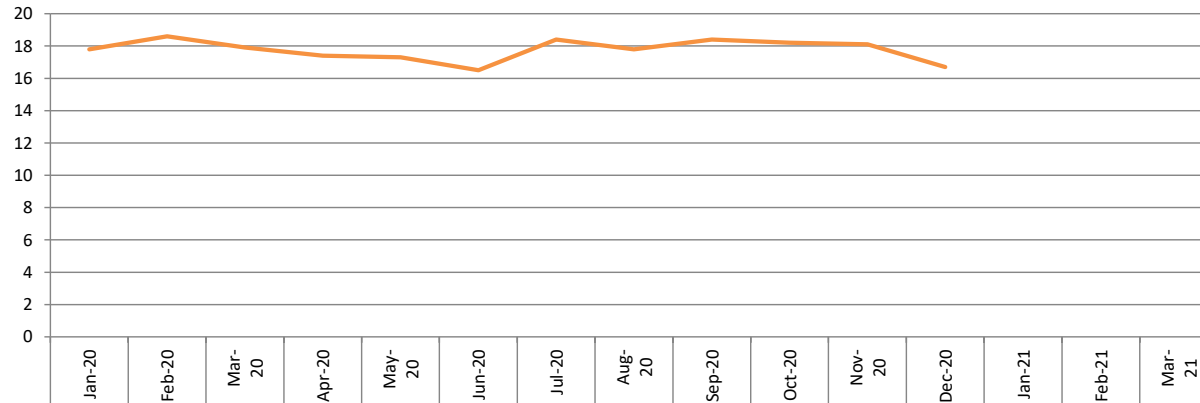
The number of agency staff had been gradually increasing during this financial year up to 21 (8.43% of social care staff) in November 20. December however has seen a reduction to 19 (7.84% of social care staff). 15 of the 19-agency staff are covering vacancies for case holding social workers (10.06% of case holding posts).

11.3	11.4
Maximum caseload of social workers in LAC Teams	Av. no. cases in LAC Teams (1-3)

Maximum caseload of social workers



Average number of cases



IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-20	29	17.8
	Feb-20	29	18.6
	Mar-20	29	17.9
	Apr-20	29	17.4
	May-20	26	17.3
	Jun-20	26	16.5
	Jul-20	25	18.4
	Aug-20	25	17.8
	Sep-20	25	18.4
	Oct-20	20	18.2
	Nov-20	20	18.1
	Dec-20	19	16.7
	Jan-21	-	-
Feb-21	-	-	
Mar-21	-	-	

YTD	2020/21	-	-
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ANNUAL TREND	2015/16	19	-
	2016/17	17	-
	2017/18	18	12.6
	2018/19	23	19.4
	2019/20	29	17.9