

# Looked After Children Performance Summary

As at month end: June 2023

\*DOT - Direction of travel represents the direction of 'performance' since the previous month showing if the number or percentage has gone up or down. Colours have been added to help distinguish better and worse performance with the exceptions of measures that are for information only. Key Below:-

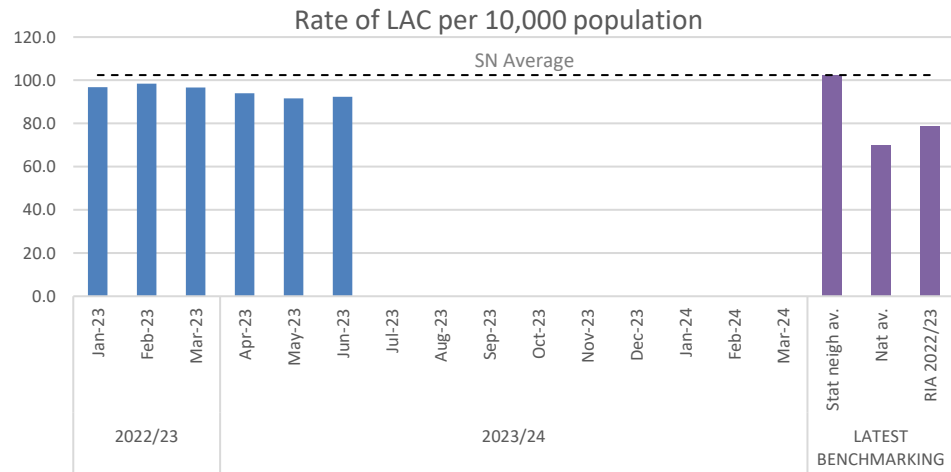
- ↑ - increase/decrease in number/percentage = improvement in performance
- ↓ - increase/decrease in number/percentage = decline in performance
- - number/percentage remained same as previous month
- ↑ - increase in number/percentage (info measures)
- - remained same as previous month (info measures)
- ↓ - decrease in number/percentage (info measures)

REF NO.	INDICATOR	TIMELINE	DATA NOTE	2023/24						TARGET & TOLERANCES			YR ON YR PERFORMANCE		LATEST BENCHMARKING					
				Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	2023/24 YTD	Good perf is	DOT* (month)	RAG (month)	Red	Amber	Green (target)	2022/23	Yr on Yr trend	Stat neigh av.	Best stat neigh	Nat av.	Top qtile threshold	RIA 2022/23
4.1	No. of looked after children	monthly	Count	530	516	520	529	info	↑					545						
4.2	Rate of looked after children per 10,000 population aged 0-17	monthly	Rate per 10,000	94.1	91.6	92.3	93.8	low	↑		95.2+	-	<95.2	96.7		102.4	56.0	70.0	-	78.9
4.3	No. of admissions of looked after children	monthly	Count	7	9	16	32	info	↑					181						
4.4	No. of looked after unaccompanied asylum seeking children (UASC)	monthly	Count	38	35	36	36	info	↑					36	New measure 2022/23					
4.5	% of eligible looked after children with an up to date plan	monthly	%	91.3%	90.3%	92.1%	92.1%	high	↑		<87%	87%+	95%+	94.7%						
4.6	% of looked after children visits up to date & completed within timescale of national minimum standard	monthly	%	93.2%	93.8%	94.4%	94.4%	high	↑		<90%	90%+	98%+	95.6%						
4.7	% of looked after children care plans reviewed within timescales	monthly	%	95.0%	89.5%	95.5%	91.8%	high	↑		<87%	87%+	95%+	91.5%						
4.8	% of looked after children having an initial health assessment within timescale	monthly	%	53.8%	16.7%	57.1%	46.2%	high	↑					61.5%						
4.9	% of looked after children with a up to date health assessments	monthly	%	88.4%	85.9%	82.7%	82.7%	high	↓		<87%	87%+	95%+	78.7%						
4.10	% of looked after children with a up to date dental assessments	monthly	%	84.6%	81.8%	80.2%	80.2%	high	↓		<87%	87%+	95%+	69.4%						
4.11	No. of looked after children who are known to the Youth Justice Service (YJS)	monthly	Count	8	7	8	8	info	↑					9	New measure 2022/23					
4.12	No. of children with an Education Health & Care plan in the looked after children cohort	monthly	Count	93	91	91	91	info	→					95	New measure 2022/23					
4.13	No. of looked after children having at least one missing episode within the period	monthly	Count	7	12	12	25	info	→					59						
4.14	No. of children who have ceased to be looked after children	monthly	Count	22	21	11	54	high	↓					195						
4.15	No. of special guardianship orders (SGO) or child arrangement orders (CAO) granted after a period of being looked after children (Legal Status)	monthly	Count	7	5	1	13	info	↓					72						
4.16	No. of looked after children who have ceased to be looked after due to a special guardianship orders(SGO) or child arrangement orders (CAO)	monthly	Count	7	1	0	8	info	↓					39						
4.17	% of looked after children who have ceased to be looked after due to permanence (SGO, CAO, Adoption)	monthly	%	40.9%	19.0%	0.0%	24.1%	high	↓		<27%	27%+	35%+	30.4%						
4.18	% of long term looked after children in placements which have been stable for at least 2 years	monthly	%	64.7%	67.8%	67.8%	67.8%	high	→		<62%	62%+	70%+	65.2%		71.1%	77.0%	71.0%	74.1%	-
4.19	% of looked after children who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 months	monthly	%	9.9%	9.1%	8.5%	8.5%	low	↓		16%+	8%+	<8%	9.7%		8.6%	5.0%	10.0%	9.9%	-
4.20	% of looked after children in a family based setting	monthly	%	75.5%	76.0%	77.1%	77.1%	high	↑		<77%	77%+	85%+	77.0%						
4.21	% of looked after children placed with parents or other with parental responsibility (P1)	monthly	%	5.5%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	low	→					5.7%						
4.22	% of looked after children in kinship care	monthly	%	6.8%	6.0%	6.5%	6.5%	high	↑		<8%	8%+	12%+	8.1%						
4.23	No. of placements that have been created for children via foster care (approvals)	monthly	Count	4	0	1	5	high	↑					21						
4.24	No. of adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	monthly	Count	1	2	1	4	high	↓					12						
4.25	Av. days between a child becoming looked after and having a adoption placement (A10)	monthly	YTD Average	214.5	130.6	242.1	242.1	low	↑		487+	-	<487	492.5		350.1	274.0	367.0	317.5	362.6
4.26	Av. days between a placement order and being matched with an adoptive family (A2)	monthly	YTD Average	122.5	280.2	264.3	264.3	low	↓		121+	-	<121	197.4		160.4	90.0	175.0	135.5	154.0
4.27	No. of care leavers	monthly	Count	337	337	331	331	info	↓					319						
4.28	% of eligible looked after children & Care Leavers with an up to date pathway plan	monthly	%	81.3%	79.5%	78.9%	78.9%	high	↓					74.5%						
4.29	% of care leavers in suitable accommodation	monthly	%	96.7%	96.7%	96.1%	96.1%	high	↓		<88%	88%+	96%+	97.2%		90.2%	96.0%	88.0%	93.1%	-
4.30	% of care leavers in employment, education or training	monthly	%	73.0%	73.6%	71.9%	71.9%	high	↓		<58%	58%+	66%+	69.6%		53.7%	75.0%	55.0%	61.1%	-
4.31	No. of care leavers who are former unaccompanied asylum seeking children (UASC)	monthly	Count	28	31	31	31	info	→					29	New measure 2022/23					

## Looked After Children (LAC)

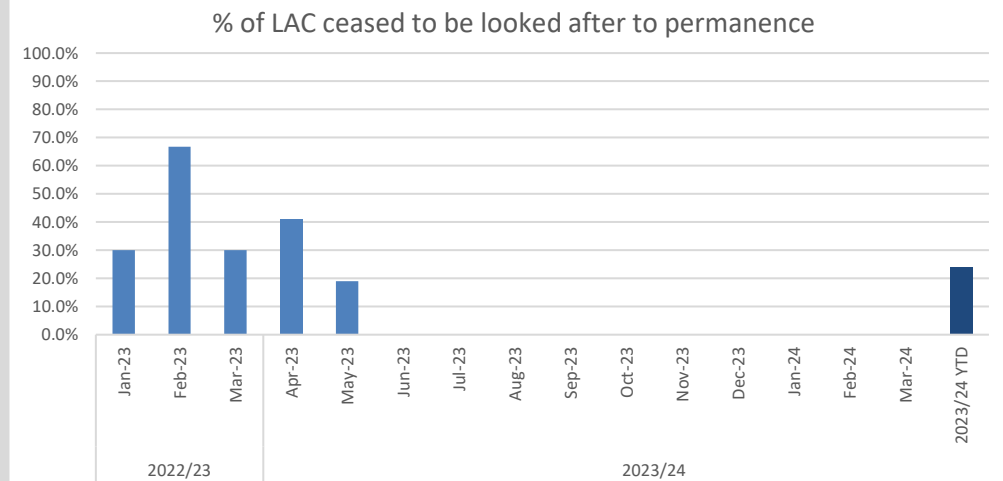
Children in care are children who have become the responsibility of the local authority either voluntarily by parents struggling to cope or through an intervention by children's services because a child is at risk of significant harm. LAC review meetings are convened to consider the plan for the welfare of LAC and how to achieve permanence for them within a timescale that meets their needs. The LA is responsible for visiting LAC wherever they are living to ensure his/her welfare continues to be safeguarded and promoted and the LA should ensure that every LAC has his/her health needs fully assessed and a health plan clearly set out.

**520 LAC as at period end**

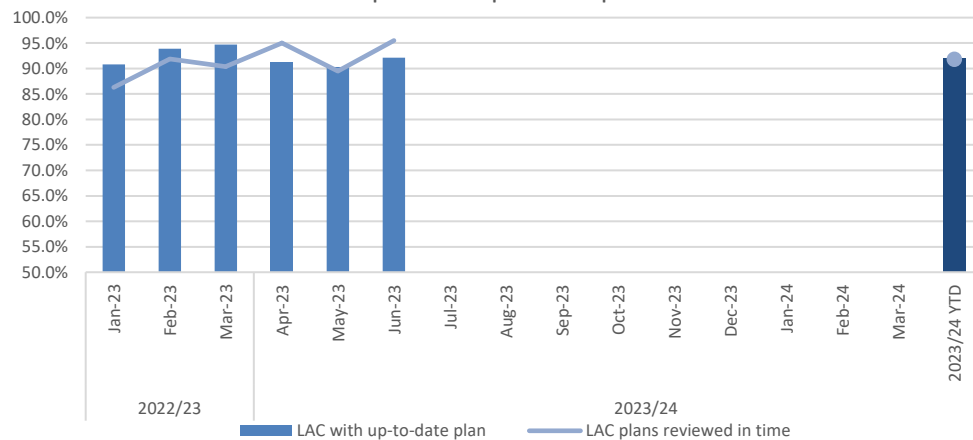


**32 Admissions (ytd)**

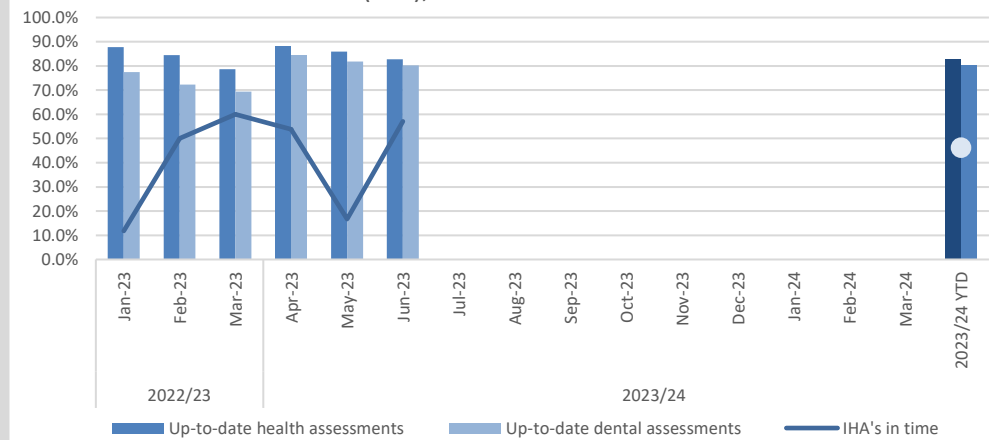
**54 Discharges (ytd)**



**% of LAC with an up-to-date plan and plan reviewed in time**



**LAC initial health (IHA), routine health & dental assessments**



**94.4%** of LAC visits are up-to-date & complete (NMS)

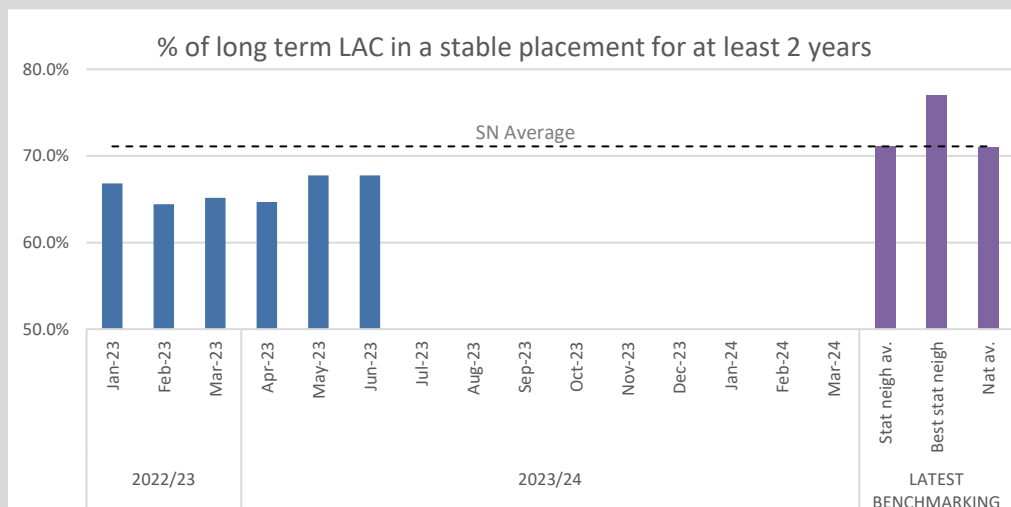
(National minimum standard is within 1wk of placement, then 6wkly till in placement for 1yr, then 12wkly after.)

**46.2%** of IHA's completed in time (ytd)

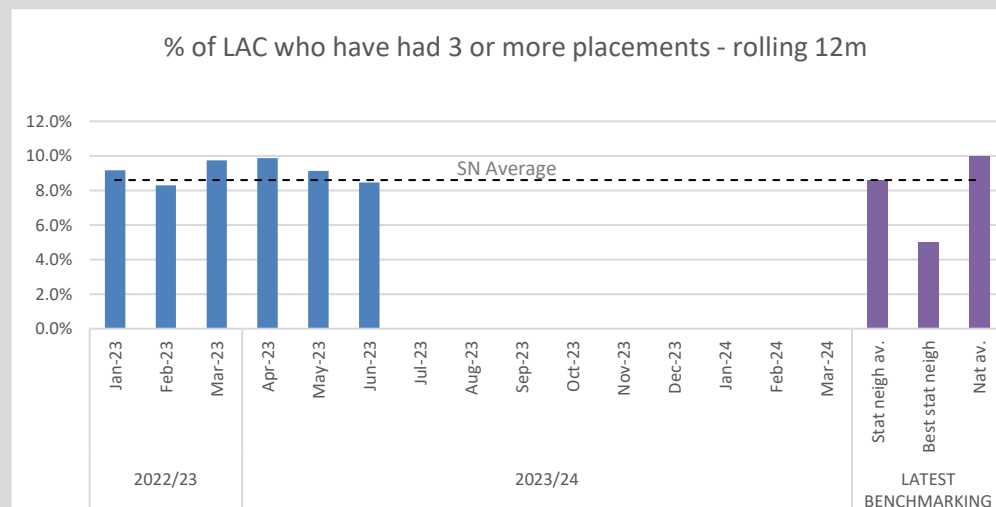
## Placements

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. 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.

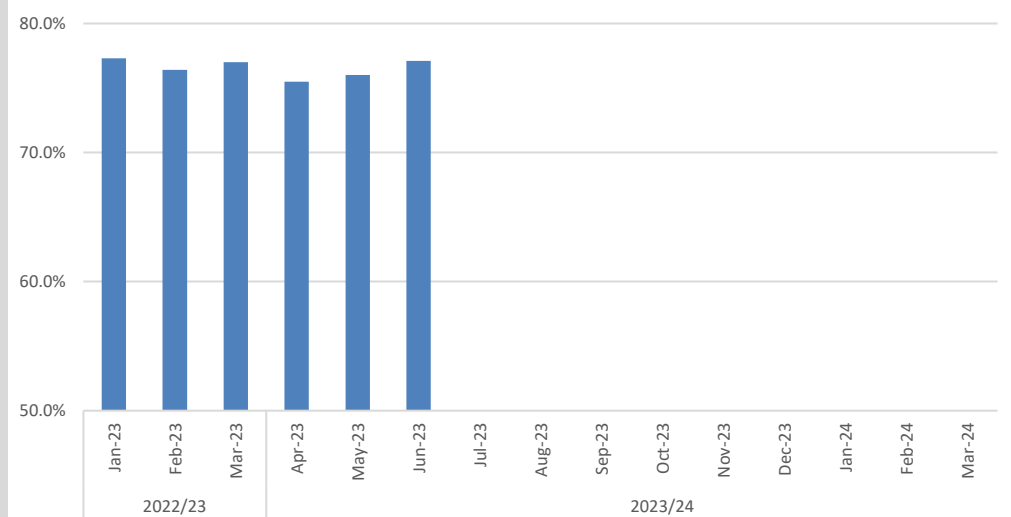
**67.8%** of long term LAC in a stable placement for 2 years+



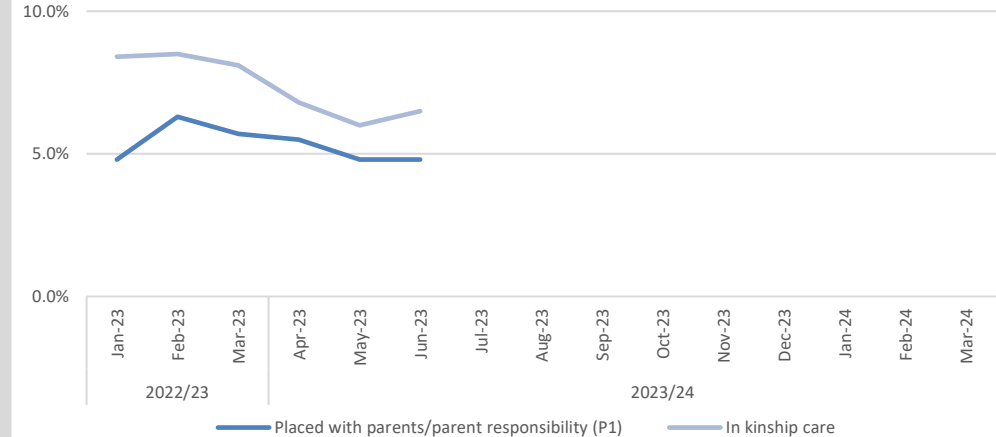
**8.5%** of LAC have had 3+ placements as at period end



% of children in a family based placement



% of children in a parental or kinship care placement



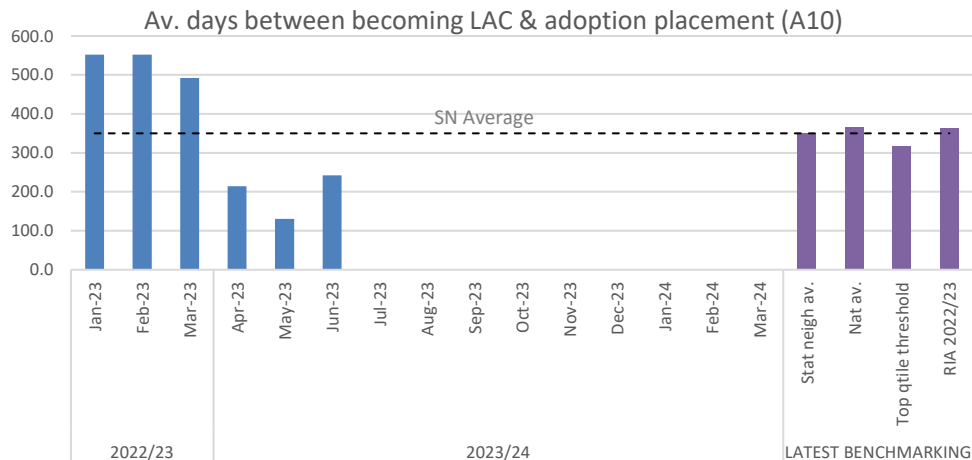
**5** placements created via foster carer approvals (ytd)

## Adoptions & Care Leavers

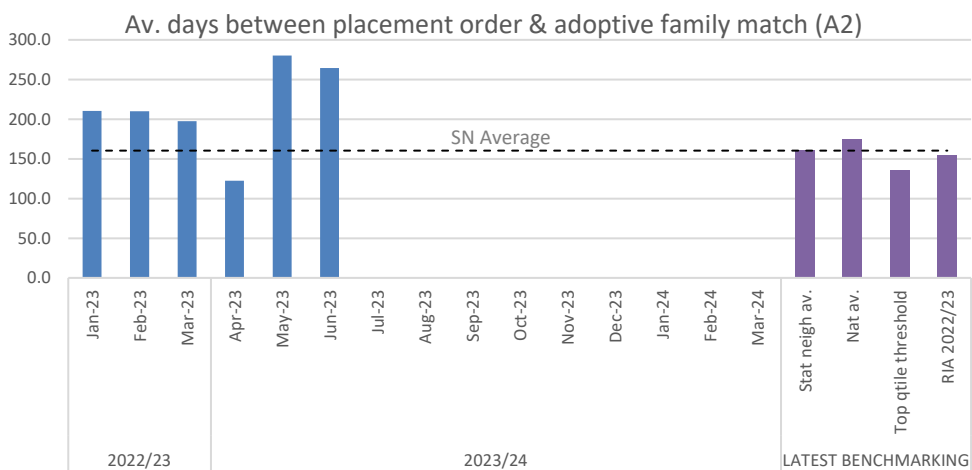
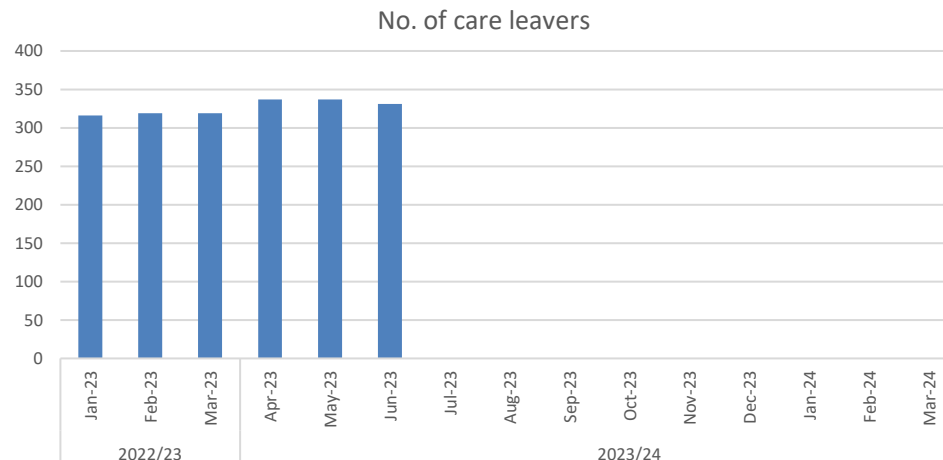
Following a child becoming looked after, it may be deemed suitable for a child to become adopted which is a legal process of becoming a non-biological parent. The date this is agreed to be in the best interests of the child is known as their 'SHOBPA'. Following this a family finding process is undertaken to find a suitable match based on the child's needs, followed by placement with their adopter(s). Placement are monitored and assessed before the final adoption order is granted.

A care leaver is, a person 25yrs or under; has been looked after by a LA for 13wks+ since 14yrs; and has been looked after by a LA at school-leaving age or after.

### Adoptions



### Care Leavers



**331** care leavers as at the period end

**78.9%** of eligible LAC & care leavers had an up to date pathway plan at the period end

**96.1%** of care leavers were in suitable accommodation at the period end

**71.9%** of care leavers were in employment, education or training at the period end

**4** adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA (ytd)