

Improving Lives Select Commission

CYPS Performance Report 2024/2025 Outturn

Our Children – Resilient Successful Safe

Introductions

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Overview

- Performance is considered against local targets, including associated 'RAG' (red, amber, green) rating tolerances. Reviewed annually and set in consideration of available national and statistical neighbour benchmarking data, and recent performance levels. It ensures focus on the effectiveness of services and achieving good outcomes for children and young people.
- Robust governance and accountability in place, including monthly Performance Board and Quarterly Assurance Board in addition to service level performance clinics, Practice Learning Days and Quality Assurance processes.
- Links to the Council Plan, Year Ahead Delivery Plan, Corporate Parenting Partnership Board, Place Board.
- Scorecard circulated quarterly to Members of ILSC, with an option to request Officers to attend with any key areas of interest.

Scorecard Overview

- Benchmarking Indicators – how do we compare?
- Activity Indicators – how much have we done?



Scorecard Overview

- Monthly, Quarterly and Annual Data
- Direction of Travel
- RAG Rating
- Targets and Tolerances
- Year on Year Performance
- Latest Benchmarking

2024/25										TARGET & TOLERANCES			YR ON YR PERFORMANCE		LATEST BENCHMARKING				
Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25 (Q4)	Q4	2024/25 OUTTURN	Good perf is	DOT (Month)	RAG (Month)	DOT (Yr on Yr)	RAG (Yr End)	Red	Amber	Green (target)	2023/24	Yr on Yr trend	Stat neigh av.	Best stat neigh	Nat av.	Top qtile threshold	RIA 2024/25
91.4%	89.1%	94.8%	92.1%	92.5%	high	↑	Green	↑	Green	<82%	82%+	90%+	88.2%		84.7%	99.8%	84.5%	90.5%	84.2%
217.9	220.0	221.2	221.2	221.2	low	↑	Green	↑	Green	227.1+	-	<227.1	194.8		229.0	111.9	187.1	-	-
315.9	316.7	310.7	310.7	310.7	low	↓	Green	↓	Green	375.5+	-	<375.5	316.8		398.8	300.2	332.9	-	329.1
79.4%	100.0%	89.2%	88.5%	80.0%	high	↓	Green	↓	Yellow	<78%	78%+	86%+	84.8%		85.0%	100.0%	79.7%	88.5%	83.2%

Family Help – What's Working Well

- 36.1% of contacts coming through the front door were identified as Family Help, compared to 33.8% in 2023/24.
- Increase in families engaged from 637 to 817 with timeliness of engagement maintained at 91.4% within 3 days.
- Improved assessment timeliness to 92.6% completed within 45 working days.
- 98% of children in deprived areas registered with Children's Centres, with 82.9% accessing activities.
- Reduction to 4.7% of young people Not in Education, Employment, or Training (NEET) or Not Known
- Reduction in youth re-offending rate to 13.2, below national and statistical neighbour averages.

Children's Social Care – What's Working Well

- Rate of Children in Need (CiN) reduced to 310.7, below statistical neighbour and national averages.
- Rate of Child Protection Plans (CPP) at 54.2, in line with statistical neighbours but above the national average.
- Rate of Children in Care (CiC) reduced to 83.0, the lowest since 2016.
- Contact Timeliness improved to 86.8% with a decision within 1 working day
- Reduction in re-referrals from 22% down to 17.3% this year

Children's Social Care – What's Working Well

- Improved assessment timeliness to 92.5% completed within 45 working days.
- Reduction in Child Protection Plans over 2 years from 4.6% to 0.6%
- Increased to 95.8% of Children in Care plans reviewed within timescales
- Significant improvements in adoption timeliness with 345 days between entering care and placement; and 107 days between Placement Order and Matching to a family

Education – What's Working Well

- 85.7% of eligible 2-year-olds taking up early education places.
- High percentage of children allocated to one of their top three school preferences (99.2% primary and 97.1% secondary).
- Slight improvements in primary school attendance to 94.6%; and secondary attendance remains stable at 90.5%.
- 95.6% of Children in Care had an up-to-date Personal Education Plan

Inclusion – What's Working Well

- We continued to improve compliance with 85.8% of Education Health Care Plans (EHCP) issued within 20 weeks, an improvement on 59.8% in the previous year.
- EHCP Primary transition reviews completed by the statutory deadline reached 99.5%, an improvement on 95.8% in 2024.
- Secondary transition reviews completed by the deadline reached 93.6%, a significant improvement on 79.1% in 2024.

Areas of Challenge and Focus

- Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPC) within 15 days of S47 was 80% (target is 86%)
- Children on a Child Protection Plan for a second or subsequent time within 2 years was 17.3% (target is 8%).
- Placement stability for children in care. Long term placements are 62.1% (target is 70%), and placement moves is 12.7% (target is 8%)
- Percentage of up-to-date health and dental assessments. Health assessments are 84.5% and dental 66.7% (both targets 95%)

Areas of Challenge and Focus

- Supporting schools to increase attainment through CPD opportunities
- Continuing Elective Home Education preventative offer to reduce increasing numbers (747 compared to 523 at the same time last year)

Questions