

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

Benchmarking		
(Updated Nov-17, using 16-17 data)		
Stat. Neighbour	England	SE region

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					Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18						Feb-18	Stat. Neighbour	England					SE region			
M1	Number of contacts received (includes contacts that become referrals)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	There is an effective 'front door' with which anyone with a concern about a child can engage and receive appropriate advice, support and action.	1510	1753	1278	1605	1357	1491	1259	1358	1378	1215	997	1421	1309	→	-8%	↓	-13%		1379	1753	Local	Local	Local					
M2	Number of new referrals of Children In Need (CIN)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Referrals for children in need of help and support are accepted appropriately by the service.	288	287	244	333	307	299	246	281	309	257	194	302	229	↓	-24%	↓	-20%		275	333	340	354	470					
M3	Percentage of all contacts that become new referrals of Children In Need (CIN)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	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.	19.1%	16.4%	19.1%	20.7%	22.6%	20.1%	19.5%	20.7%	22.4%	21.2%	19.5%	21.3%	17.5%	↓	-18%	→	-8%		20.0%	22.6%	Local	Local	Local					
M2-NI	Number of new referrals of Children in Need (CIN) rate per 10,000 (0-17 year olds)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Referrals for children in need of help and support are comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.	59	58	50	68	62	60	49	56	62	52	39	61	46	↓	-25%	↓	-21%		56	68	55	46	46					
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	The safety of children is supported by referrals being dealt with in a timely manner.	87.0%	84.0%	81.0%	83.0%	81.0%	75.0%	79.0%	66.0%	57.0%	77.0%	77.0%	75.0%	76.0%	→	1%	↓	13%	▲	76.8%	87.0%	Local	Local	Local					
M6-QL (val)	Number of referrals which are re-referrals within one year of a closure assessment	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	The service is effective in helping children and families address their issues, and where there is a re-referral, the issues are understood.	57	63	54	60	57	45	33	52	41	49	32	47	36	↓	23%	↓	37%	▼	48	63	Local	Local	Local					
M6-QL	Percentage of referrals which are re-referrals within one year of a closure assessment	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	The service is effective in helping children and families address their issues, and where there is a re-referral, the issues are understood.	19.8%	22.0%	22.0%	18.0%	19.0%	15.0%	13.0%	19.0%	13.0%	19.0%	16.0%	16.0%	16.0%	→	0%	↓	19%	▼	17.5%	22.0%	Local	Local	Local					
M4	Number of new referrals of children aged 13+ where child sexual exploitation was a factor	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	The needs and safety of children at risk of child sexual exploitation are responded to effectively.	3	0	1	2	5	0	2	3	4	3	1	0	2	-	n/a	↓	-33%		2	5	Local	Local	Local					
EH1a	Number of Universal Help Assessments (UHAs) started in the month	Phil Bullingham	Sean Holdhouse	Children and families benefit from an assessment of their needs at the earliest opportunity.	29	34	38	30	21	16	35	18	33	23	24	19	20	→	5%	↓	-31%		26	38	Local	Local	Local				Commentary and associated issues remain the same. LSCB led partnership review of the EHA & EHP pending in 2018. The new Integrated 0-19 Early Help & Prevention Service is developing an Outcome Framework with key U/UP/UPP outcomes based measures that are included within the S75 agreement and due to be operational from April 2018.	
EH1c	Number of Universal Help Assessments (UHAs) completed in the month	Phil Bullingham	Sean Holdhouse	Children and families will have their needs assessed against the local integrated Early Help offer.	-	-	-	-	-	2	8	33	11	33	12	19	7	1	↓	-86%	-	n/a		14	33	Local	Local	Local	288	336	TBC	Commentary and associated issues remain the same. The Outcome Star is the preferred tool for the new Integrated 0-19 Early Help & Prevention Service to assess a family's baseline needs and measure subsequent progress. This is currently used within Sure Start Children's Centres for all UP/UPP work and the development of its consistent use across the integrated services activity will be a key work stream in 2018.
EH1b	Number of Universal Help Plans (UHPs) opened in the month (includes UHPs completed, and those still open at end of period)	Phil Bullingham	Sean Holdhouse	Children and families will be supported to engage with the local Early Help offer, to address their issues without the need for statutory intervention.	121	122	122	123	167	159	149	116	119	89	70	72	66	→	-8%	↓	-45%		115	167	Local	Local	Local				Downward trend may be the result of the reduced Early Help & Prevention Family Engagement Worker capacity still impacting and FEWS within Targeted & Restorative Services yet to be in post. As previous commentaries note, this measure only captures early help planning recorded on PARIS and therefore is not representative of the other service activity (Children's Centres) or wider city early help work. For the new 0-19 Early Help & Prevention Service this will be addressed within the Outcomes Framework reporting.	
M5	Number of children receiving Universal Help services who are stepped up for Children In Need (CIN) assessment	Phil Bullingham	Sean Holdhouse	Where additional needs are identified by Universal Help Services, cases are stepped up to enable the appropriate level of intervention.	31	3	7	7	8	1	2	17	2	1	3	3	2	↓	-33%	↓	-94%		7	31	Local	Local	Local				Commentary and associated issues remain the same. The number of children 'stepped up' from U to UP or UPP and 'stepped down' over the year will be added in stage 2 development of the new Early Help & Prevention Outcome Measurement Framework.	
EH2	Number of Children In Need (CIN) at end of period (all open cases, excluding UHPs, UHAs, CPP and LAC)	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Children in need of help and support receive a consistent and effective service.	974	967	1017	1043	1040	1046	1030	1075	1106	1074	1050	1017	1061	→	4%	→	9%		1038	1106	Local	Local	Local					
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	The needs and safety of children who have been missing are responded to robustly.	35	45	40	48	37	41	32	34	42	42	33	41	46	↑	12%	↑	31%	▼	40	48	Local	Local	Local					
EH3	Number of Single Assessments (SA) completed	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Children receive a comprehensive assessment of their needs; with strengths and areas of risk identified to inform evidence-based planning.	122	214	137	193	207	189	193	178	152	204	175	123	115	→	-7%	→	-6%		169	214	306	333	433					
EH3a%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 10 days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.	6.2%	7.5%	7.3%	7.3%	11.6%	10.1%	2.6%	7.3%	8.6%	7.4%	10.9%	10.6%	6.1%	↓	42%	→	2%	▲	7.9%	11.6%	Local	Local	Local					
EH3b%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 11-25 days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.	25.8%	22.9%	20.4%	15.0%	21.3%	12.2%	19.7%	26.4%	36.2%	22.1%	24.0%	30.1%	23.5%	↓	22%	→	9%	▲	23.0%	36.2%	Local	Local	Local					

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EH3c%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 26-35 days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.	2.0%	9.3%	8.8%	18.1%	8.7%	7.9%	7.3%	6.2%	15.1%	10.3%	17.7%	14.6%	27.0%	↑ 84%	↑ 127%	▲	11.8%	27.0%	Local	Local	Local					
EH3d%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 36-45 days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.	8.2%	34.6%	35.0%	38.9%	40.6%	33.9%	45.1%	51.1%	27.0%	34.3%	26.3%	23.6%	19.1%	↓ -19%	↑ 133%	▲	32.1%	51.1%	Local	Local	Local					
EH3e%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed over 45 days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.	57.9%	25.7%	28.5%	20.7%	17.9%	36.0%	25.4%	9.0%	13.2%	26.0%	21.1%	21.1%	24.3%	↑ 15%	↓ -58%	▼	25.1%	57.9%	21.1%	17.1%	7.1%					
EH4 (val)	Number of Single Assessments (SA) completed in 45 working days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.	50	159	98	153	170	121	144	162	132	151	138	97	87	↓ -10%	↑ 74%	▲	128	170	278	267	502					
EH4-QL	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed in 45 working days	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.	41.0%	74.0%	72.0%	79.0%	82.0%	64.0%	75.0%	91.0%	87.0%	74.0%	79.0%	79.0%	76.0%	→ -4%	↑ 85%	▲	74.8%	91.0%	77.0%	80.1%	90.2%					
CP1	Number of Section 47 (S47) enquiries started	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Where there are concerns about a child's safety, there is a robust assessment of risk.	92	111	93	120	116	106	94	107	77	124	73	120	82	↓ -32%	↓ -11%		101	124	102	102	135					
CP1-NI	Rate of Section 47 (S47) enquiries started per 10,000 children aged 0-17	Jane White	Catherine Parkin	Safeguarding investigations undertaken by the service are at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.	19	23	19	24	23	21	19	21	15	25	15	24	16	↓ -33%	↓ -16%		20	25	17	13	13					
CP6b	Number of children with a Child Protection Plan (CPP) at the end of the month, excluding temporary registrations	Jane White	Stuart Webb	Child Protection Plans are in place for children where it has been assessed that multi-agency intervention is required to keep them safe.	295	282	277	255	277	266	294	290	296	305	312	329	327	→ -1%	↑ 11%		293	329	236	230	294				There has been a slight reduction in the number of children subject to planning. In the short term, weekly meetings have been set to ensure that the Service Manager and CP Advisor review every new registration and closure. In the longer term, a meeting has been arranged for 27th March 2018 (involving CSC and QA Unit Managers) when CP processes will be discussed as part of the Working with Families Project development. This will support a robust service response to this issue.	
CP6b-NI	Rate of children with Child Protection Plan (CPP) per 10,000 (0-17 year olds) at period end	Jane White	Stuart Webb	The number of children who require Child Protection Plans is at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.	60	57	56	52	56	53	59	58	59	61	63	66	66	→ 0%	↑ 10%		59	66	54	43	42					See above CP6b
CP2	Number of children subject to Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs), excluding transfer-ins and temporary registrations	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	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.	23	34	19	37	45	33	36	44	46	62	39	57	28	↓ -51%	↑ 22%		39	62	40	42	50				The number of children subject to ICPC has reduced this month - but, this is an area where numbers can fluctuate and over the past six months figures have generally been higher than SN, national and regional averages. It is therefore important to consider the issue in a systemic way - the findings of the Working with Families Project will be released in April 2018.	
CP2-NI	Rate per 10,000 Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs)	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	The rate of Initial Child Protection Conferences is at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.	5	8	4	8	9	8	8	9	10	13	8	11	6	↓ -51%	→ 6%		8	13	6	5	5				See above, CP2.	
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	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.	16	32	17	26	36	28	35	42	42	50	35	44	24	↓ -45%	↑ 50%	▲	32.85	50.00	34	35	43				The conversation rate from conference to registration has increased and is broadly in line with SN, national and regional averages. The Working with Families activity has progressed well over the past month - however, the release of the findings will now take place in April 2018, rather than March.	
CP4	Percentage of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) resulting in a Child Protection Plan (CPP) (based on count of children)	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	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.	69.6%	94.1%	89.5%	70.3%	80.0%	84.8%	97.2%	95.5%	91.3%	80.6%	89.7%	77.2%	85.7%	↑ 11%	↑ 23%	▲	85.0%	97.2%	87.1%	86.7%	85.6%				See above CP4 (val)	
CP2b	Number of transfer-ins	Phil Bullingham	Stuart Webb	Children moving into Southampton receive a good standard of service and protection.	3	4	0	0	1	5	4	2	2	4	1	0	0	- n/a	↓ -100%		2	5	Local	Local	Local				There have been no transfers in this month. As stated in previous commentary, when cases are transferred the Service Manager tasks a case review to check that processes are being followed correctly.	
CP2b %	Percentage of transfer-ins where child became subject to a CP Plan during period	Jane White	Smith Ward	Children moving into Southampton receive a good standard of service and protection.	33.3%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	50.0%	100.0%	75.0%	100.0%	-	- n/a	- n/a		68.9%	100.0%	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 Bullingham	Stuart Webb	Child Protection planning is timely, ensuring that the risks to children are discussed and responded to expediently.	5	27	15	34	24	30	26	44	38	43	34	37	13	↓ -65%	↑ 160%	▲	28	44	Local	Local	Local				There has been a significant drop in timeliness over the past two months. Unfortunately, there has been sickness absence across the safeguarding and CP conference teams. Although now resolved this has impacted upon oversight. In addition, last month it was noted that additional operational resources need to be embedded. See commentary in CP6b regarding weekly review of CPC performance.	
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.	21.7%	79.4%	78.9%	91.9%	53.3%	90.9%	72.2%	100.0%	82.6%	69.4%	87.2%	64.9%	46.4%	↓ -28%	↑ 114%	▲	72.2%	100.0%	76.0%	76.7%	72.2%				See above CP3-QL	

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CP8-QL	Percentage of children subject to a Child Protection Plan seen in the last 15 working days.	Jane White	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.	91.0%	94.0%	90.0%	89.0%	88.0%	86.0%	86.0%	78.0%	85.0%	85.0%	88.0%	91.0%	83.0%	➔ -9%	➔ -9%	▲	87.2%	94.0%	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 (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.	4	1	6	5	15	6	11	3	21	12	10	12	1	↓ -92%	↓ -75%	▼	8	21	7	7	10				The QA Unit have worked with the data team to look at how details of CP referrals are recorded and this is assessed to have had an impact in this area. However, the re-referral rate is now notably lower than SN, national and regional data and so this will be monitored carefully. Details of re-referrals continue to be passed to the Edge of Care team.	
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.	25.0%	2.9%	33.3%	19.2%	39.5%	18.2%	28.2%	7.1%	47.7%	24.0%	27.8%	25.5%	4.2%	↓ -84%	↓ -83%	▼	23.3%	47.7%	22.5%	18.7%	22.2%				See above CP5-QL (val)	
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.	90	94	70	94	46	82	30	101	85	86	69	86	60	↓ -30%	↓ -33%		76	101	Local	Local	Local				The number of review conferences has reduced is notably lower than this time last year. The CP Advisor has been tasked with exploring the reduction and the number of review conferences will be scrutinised in the weekly meetings.	
CP7	Number of ceasing Child Protection Plans (CPP), excluding temporary registrations	Jane White	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.	50	42	26	48	18	42	11	48	39	43	25	26	26	➔ 0%	↓ -48%	▲	34	50	34	36	43				Although the 12 month average mirrors our SN, there has been a lower closure trend over the past quarter. Consequently, decision making at review meetings will be reviewed on a weekly basis. We will be looking at the reasons for cases not progressing and clarifying if escalation has taken place where necessary.	
LAC1	Number of Looked after Children at end of period	Jane White	Julian Watkins	Where it is assessed that there is no safe alternative, the local authority will take children into its care for their welfare and protection.	568	542	546	536	526	515	514	523	517	528	519	517	518	➔ 0%	➔ -9%	▼	528	568	462	478	517	515	460	390	There is a consistent pattern of holding around the 520 mark at the present time. I am confident in the thresholds we are applying at this point and that children are entering care due to high level of risk, and this is supported by the Court at the present time.	
LAC1-NI	Looked after Children rate per 10,000	Jane White	Julian Watkins	The level of children in care is at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.	116	110	111	109	105	103	103	105	104	106	104	104	104	➔ 0%	↓ -10%		106	116	69	62	41				-As above	
LAC2	Number of new Looked after Children (episodes)	Jane White	Julian Watkins	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.	2	8	9	9	8	16	11	18	11	18	14	14	19	↑ 36%	↑ 850%	▼	12	19	17	18	20				-There was a spike in entry to care this month, however this is due to children who could not safely remain at home, and therefore the increase is appropriate. There are many other cases that have been presented to Legal Panel where the threshold for care and pre-proceedings has been met, however we have continued to work with families at this high level of intervention.	
LAC3	Number of ceasing Looked after Children (episodes)	Jane White	Julian Watkins	Children will leave care in a planned way with clear networks of support around them.	18	34	3	19	15	26	14	9	16	7	28	16	19	↑ 19%	➔ 6%	▲	17	34	17	17	20				-Regardless as to the increased number of entries to care, there has been a steady activity of children and young people leaving care which is positive.	
LAC6 (val)	Number of adoptions (E11, E12)	Jane White	Brenda Chapman	Children who are being adopted will receive timely and effective support.	5	20	0	3	10	5	8	3	2	1	5	6	3	↓ -50%	↓ -40%		5	20	3	2	3	50				
LAC6 (%)	Percentage of adoptions (E11, E12)	Jane White	Brenda Chapman	Children who are being adopted will receive timely and effective support.	27.8%	58.8%	0.0%	15.8%	66.7%	19.2%	57.1%	33.3%	12.5%	14.3%	17.9%	37.5%	15.8%	↓ -58%	↓ -43%		29.0%	66.7%	19.2%	14.0%	13.0%					
LAC12 (val)	Number of Special Guardianship Orders (SGOs) (E43, E44)	Jane White	Brenda Chapman	Children subject to Special Guardianship Orders will receive timely and effective support.	7	5	0	2	3	10	1	1	7	1	9	1	1	➔ 0%	↓ -86%		4	10	2	2	2					
LAC12 (%)	Percentage of Special Guardianship Orders (SGOs) (E43, E44)	Jane White	Brenda Chapman	Children subject to Special Guardianship Orders will receive timely and effective support.	38.9%	14.7%	0.0%	10.5%	20.0%	38.5%	7.1%	11.1%	43.8%	14.3%	32.1%	6.3%	5.3%	↓ -16%	↓ -86%	▲	18.7%	43.8%	10.9%	12.0%	10.0%					
LAC7-QL	Percentage of Looked after Children visited within timescales	Jane White	Julian Watkins	The service is in regular contact with Looked after Children to ensure that there is ongoing assessment of risk and opportunities to intervene effectively.	86.0%	83.0%	79.0%	84.0%	82.0%	79.0%	85.0%	76.0%	82.0%	83.0%	79.0%	78.0%	86.0%	↑ 10%	➔ 0%	▲	81.7%	86.0%	Local	Local	Local				This is an excellent increase in terms of children being visited appropriately.	
LAC10 (%)	Percentage of Looked after Children with an authorised CLA plan	Jane White	Julian Watkins	Children have good quality care plans, to which they have contributed, and which meet their needs.	94.5%	94.1%	95.4%	94.8%	98.1%	97.5%	97.3%	95.8%	98.1%	97.0%	94.6%	95.2%	94.2%	➔ -1%	➔ 0%	▲	95.9%	98.1%	Local	Local	Local				-The number of children with an up-to-date care plan remains at a good level.	
LAC10-QL	Number of Looked after Children with an authorised CLA Plan	Jane White	Julian Watkins	Children have good quality care plans, to which they have contributed, and which meet their needs.	537	510	521	508	517	502	500	501	507	512	491	492	488	➔ -1%	➔ -9%	▲	507	537	Local	Local	Local				As above	
LAC13	Number of current Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC) looked after at end of period	Jane White	Julian Watkins	Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children are identified and supported by the local authority.	11	11	11	10	11	10	12	13	12	12	14	14	14	➔ 0%	↑ 27%		12	14	76	60	52				-This remains static with no further admissions of UASCs this month	
LAC14	Number of new unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC)	Jane White	Julian Watkins	Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children are identified and supported by the local authority.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	- n/a	- n/a		0	2	Local	Local	Local				-as above	
LAC11-QL	Number of Looked after Children aged 16+ or open Care Leavers with an authorised Pathway Plan	Jane White	Mary Hardy	Care Leavers have a good quality Pathway Plans, to which they have contributed, and which meets their needs.	153	152	149	149	151	150	157	163	164	160	154	157	157	➔ 0%	➔ 3%	▲	155	164	Local	Local	Local				-continued strong pathway planning is occurring within the Pathways team	
LAC11-QL (%)	Percentage of Looked after Children aged 16+ or open Care Leavers with an authorised Pathway Plan	Jane White	Mary Hardy	Care Leavers have a good quality Pathway Plans, to which they have contributed, and which meets their needs.	93.0%	95.0%	93.0%	91.0%	92.0%	92.0%	95.0%	97.0%	97.0%	99.0%	99.0%	98.0%	96.0%	➔ -2%	➔ 3%	▲	95.2%	99.0%	Local	Local	Local				as above	

Ref.	Indicator	Owner	Reporter	Outcome (what impact will monitoring these measures have on the experiences of our children)	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	% change from previous month	% change from same month prev. yr	DoT	12 month average	12-mnth max value	Stat. Neighbour	England	SE region	Target 17-18	Target 18-19	Target 19-20	Commentary (Feb-18):
NI147	Percentage of Care Leavers in contact and in suitable accommodation	Jane White	Mary Harary	Care Leavers are in accommodation that is safe and secure.	New	83.6%	88.0%	84.3%	84.4%	83.1%	83.1%	86.0%	83.8%	87.5%	87.7%	88.1%	88.1%	→ 0%	- n/a	▲	85.6%	88.1%	Local	Local	Local	92.0%	93.0%	94.0%	-We continue to have high number of YP who are in touch and in appropriate accommodation and YP who are placed in B&B for short periods will have their needs known and more heavily monitored whilst awaiting attendance at housing panel.
LAC9 (val)	Number of Looked after Children (LAC) placed with IFAs at period end	Jane White	Rosenda Chapman	Our Looked after Children will benefit from high quality fostering provision, with our own carers wherever possible.	148	139	145	144	144	138	138	139	139	140	143	140	140	→ 0%	→ -5%	▼	141	148	Local	Local	Local	112	TBC	TBC	-
LAC9	Percentage of IFA placements (of all looked after children)	Jane White	Rosenda Chapman	Our Looked after Children will benefit from high quality fostering provision, with our own carers wherever possible.	26.1%	25.6%	26.6%	26.9%	27.4%	26.8%	26.8%	26.6%	26.9%	26.5%	27.6%	27.1%	27.0%	→ 0%	→ 4%	▼	26.8%	27.6%	Local	Local	Local				-
LAC16	Number of in-house foster carers at the end of period	Jane White	Rosenda Chapman	Our Looked after Children will benefit from high quality fostering provision, with our own carers wherever possible.	-	-	-	181	175	176	174	170	169	172	173	173	173	→ 0%	- n/a		173	181	-	-	-	190	TBC	TBC	-