

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

Benchmarking 2019-20		
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M1	Number of contacts received (includes contacts that become referrals)	Julian Watkins	Jacqui 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>	1297	1886	1630	1801	2080	1894	1616	↓ -15%	↑ 20%		1677	2080	Local	Local	Local	The number of Contacts received during August 21 has reduced by 15%. This is likely to be a direct result of the schools being on Summer break.
M2	Number of new referrals of Children In Need (CiN)	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Referrals for children in need of help and support are accepted appropriately by the service.</i>	244	460	334	442	339	353	287	↓ -19%	→ 9%		355	460	368	353	502	The number of Children needing an assessment during Aug 21 decreased by 19% which correlates with the number of Contacts that were received into MASH.
M3	Percentage of all contacts that become new referrals of Children In Need (CiN)	Julian Watkins	Jacqui 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>	19%	24%	20%	24%	16%	18%	17%	→ -5%	↓ -11%		21%	25%	Local	Local	Local	The percentage of Contacts that converted into referrals of children in need has remained fairly consistent over the past 3 months. Audits are regularly undertaken to ensure that MASH consistently apply the threshold for statutory services.
M2-NI	Number of new referrals of Children in Need (CiN) rate per 10,000 (0-17 year olds)	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Referrals for children in need of help and support are comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.</i>	48	90	66	87	67	69	56	↓ -19%	→ 8%		70	90	Local	Local	Local	The number of new referrals of children in need per 10,000 0-17 yr olds has reduced which correlates with a decrease in Contacts and referrals throughout August.
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	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>The safety of children is supported by referrals being dealt with in a timely manner.</i>	98%	99%	98%	99%	99%	97%	100%	→ 3%	→ 1%	▲	98%	100%	Local	Local	Local	MASH achieved 100% for the working together 24 hour decision making on all Contacts that are received into the service.
M6-QL (val)	Number of referrals which are re-referrals within one year of a closure assessment	Julian Watkins	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>	10	28	17	38	20	31	15	↓ -52%	↓ -21%	▼	24	38	Local	Local	Local	This is a significant decrease but is likely to be due to the school holidays and therefore reduction in referrals from education professionals
M6-QL	Percentage of referrals which are re-referrals within one year of a closure assessment	Julian Watkins	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>	4%	6%	5%	9%	6%	9%	5%	↓ -44%	↓ -29%	▼	6%	9%	27%	23%	26%	As above
M4	Number of new referrals of children aged 13+ where child sexual exploitation (CSE) was a factor	Julian Watkins	Stuart Webb	<i>The needs and safety of children at risk of child sexual exploitation are responded to effectively.</i>	2	1	3	1	1	3	3	→ 0%	↓ -57%		3	15	Local	Local	Local	A more sophisticated data report will be part of the overall KPI suite. The MET manager provided a report for Scrutiny Panel in June 2021.
M5	Number of children receiving Early Help services who are stepped up for Children In Need (CiN) assessment	Julian Watkins	Sean Holthouse	<i>The needs and safety of children at risk of child sexual exploitation are responded to effectively.</i>	5	10	5	8	4	12	3	↓ -75%	↓ -25%		7	17	Local	Local	Local	The number of 'step up' cases in August was below average with 3 recorded.
EH2	Number of Children In Need (CiN) at end of period (all open cases, excluding EHPs, EHAs, CPP and LAC)	Julian Watkins	Sarah Ward	<i>Children in need of help and support receive a consistent and effective service.</i>	1109	1218	1151	1217	1140	1145	1004	↓ -12%	↓ -19%	▼	1,190	1,348	Local	Local		This figure has reduced and is likely to have been impacted by school holidays and a reduction in referrals from education. In addition Pact now have an ATM for each of the six teams and it is anticipated that the ATM's will be able to support in progressing cases to closure, step down or out of the team as appropriate. NQSW's have also been recruited to the team and will be able to support with progressing CIN cases from September.

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EH5-QL	Number of children open to the authority who have been missing at any point in the period (count of children)	Julian Watkins	Stuart Webb	<i>The needs and safety of children who have been missing are responded to robustly.</i>	69	75	64	77	86	87	77	↓ -11%	↑ 31%	▼	71	87	Local	Local	Local	Service is well sighted on the case detail behind the performance. Consultation in respect of the young people's service is scheduled to start next month.
EH3	Number of Single Assessments (SA) completed	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Children receive a comprehensive assessment of their needs; with strengths and areas of risk identified to inform evidence-based planning.</i>	304	288	293	321	327	277	278	→ 0%	↑ 12%		306	410	354	365	485	The number of single assessments completed in Aug 21 remains consistent with July 21. This is lower than statistical neighbours, SE Region and England and is therefore an area to explore further. A lower figure would suggest that our Early Help services are working well to prevent risk within families escalating or professionals are not aware of some families in need and are therefore not referring into the service.
EH3a%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 10 days	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	12%	15%	13%	13%	6%	10%	6%	↓ -41%	↑ 34%	▲	11%	16%	11%	12%	13%	The number of single assessments completed with 10 days is 6%. You would expect this figure to be low and is likely to be assessments where the risk/need for a child referred has not been substantiated during assessment.
EH3b%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 11-25 days	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	35%	26%	43%	33%	30%	34%	28%	↓ -16%	↓ -13%	▲	31%	43%	Local	Local	Local	The number of single assessments completed within 11-25 days is 28% for Aug 21 lower than July 21 and the 12 month average. Assessments within this cohort will include Section 47 assessments
EH3c%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 26-35 days	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	13%	28%	20%	19%	29%	24%	28%	↑ 16%	→ -2%	▲	21%	29%	Local	Local	Local	The number of single assessments completed within 26-35 days is 28% for Aug 21 in line with the 12 month average. this figure is not particularly significant.
EH3d%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed within 36-45 days	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	14%	14%	14%	22%	23%	27%	23%	↓ -14%	→ -5%	▲	22%	30%	Local	Local	Local	The number of single assessments is 23% for Aug 21. This figure is not particularly significant.
EH3e%	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed over 45 days	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	26%	16%	10%	14%	13%	6%	15%	↑ 175%	↑ 41%	▼	15%	26%	15%	16%	15%	The percentage of single assessments completed over 45 days has increased to 15%. Although this is in line with statistical neighbours, it is disappointing to see an increase and needs some exploration.
EH4 (val)	Number of Single Assessments (SA) completed in 45 working days	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	226	241	263	285	284	271	243	↓ -10%	↑ 10%	▲	263	366				The number of single assessments completed in 45 days is 243 for Aug 21 a decrease on both June and July. This is in line with a decrease in referrals during the summer holidays.
EH4-QL	Percentage of Single Assessments (SA) completed in 45 working days	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Assessments are completed in a timely manner, to ensure that children receive the help they need without unnecessary delay.</i>	74%	84%	90%	86%	87%	94%	85%	↓ -10%	→ -4%	▲	85%	94%				The percentage of single assessments completed within 45 days has reduced by 10% and sits at 85% for Aug 21. This is disappointing and will be further explored.
CP1	Number of Section 47 (S47) enquiries started	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Where there are concerns about a child's safety, there is a robust assessment of risk.</i>	91	174	117	158	93	141	59	↓ -58%	↓ -27%		124	174	119	110	155	The number of section 47s completed during Aug 21 has decreased by 58%. This will be partly due to less Contacts into the service, but also a piece of joint work with the police looking at reducing the number of children being subject to a section 47 which results in NFA.
CP1-NI	Rate of Section 47 (S47) enquiries started per 10,000 children aged 0-17	Julian Watkins	Jacqui Schofield	<i>Safeguarding investigations undertaken by the service are at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.</i>	18	34	23	31	18	28	12	↓ -57%	↓ -25%		24	34	19	14	15	The rate of section 47 enquiries per 10,000 children aged 0-17yrs has reduced by 57% compared with July. This will be partly due to less Contacts into the service, but also a piece of joint work with the police looking at reducing the number of children being subject to a section 47 which results in NFA.

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CP6B	Number of children with a Child Protection Plan (CPP) at the end of the month, excluding temporary registrations	Steph Murray	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>	358	313	337	355	381	383	420	↑ 10%	→ 1%		377	420	350	339	427	The increase in the number and rate of CPP is explained by the holiday period and the reduction in the number of RCPCs due to statutory partner availability. This in turn has impacted upon the number of cases stepped down or out of planning. See indicators CP7 and CP9 below.
CP6B-NI	Rate of children with Child Protection Plan (CPP) per 10,000 (0-17 year olds) at end of period	Steph Murray	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>	70	62	66	70	75	75	83	↑ 11%	→ 1%		74	83	53	43	41	The increase in the number and rate of CPP is explained by the holiday period and the reduction in the number of RCPCs due to statutory partner availability. This in turn has impacted upon the number of cases stepped down or out of planning. See indicators CP7 and CP9 below.
CP2	Number of children subject to Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs), excluding transfer-Ins and temporary registrations	Steph Murray	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>	20	38	45	49	58	54	43	↓ -20%	↑ 95%		45	58	43	42	53	Small reduction in number and rate of ICPC, which again is to be expected due to the holiday period. Southampton remains an outlier and commentary from last month regarding the SSCP still applies.
CP2-NI	Rate per 10,000 Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs)	Steph Murray	Stuart Webb	<i>The rate of Initial Child Protection Conferences is at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.</i>	4	8	9	10	11	11	10	→ -7%	↑ 117%		9	12	7	5	5	Small reduction in number and rate of ICPC, which again is to be expected due to the holiday period. Southampton remains an outlier and commentary from last month regarding the SSCP still applies.
CP4 (val)	Number of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) resulting in a Child Protection Plan (CPP) (based on count of children)	Steph Murray	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>	18	31	40	45	54	52	42	↓ -19%	↑ 147%		41	54				Conversion remains high compared to SN and continues to suggest that some families are subject to CPP planning unnecessarily.
CP4	Percentage of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) resulting in a Child Protection Plan (CPP) (based on count of children)	Steph Murray	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>	90%	82%	89%	92%	93%	96%	98%	→ 1%	↑ 26%	▲	91%	98%	90%	87%	86%	Conversion remains high compared to SN and continues to suggest that some families are subject to CPP planning unnecessarily.
CP2b	Number of transfer-ins	Steph Murray	Stuart Webb	<i>Children moving into Southampton receive a good standard of service and protection.</i>	0	1	1	1	0	0	7	- n/a	↑ 600%		2	7	Local	Local	Local	There were seven transfers in this month. This is high and is explained by xxx In all cases, the service manager checks that local processes were complied with.
CP2b %	Percentage of transfer-ins where child became subject to a CP Plan during period	Steph Murray	Stuart Webb	<i>Children moving into Southampton receive a good standard of service and protection.</i>	-	0%	100%	100%	-	-	86%	- n/a	- n/a		83%	100%	Local	Local	Local	
CP3-QL (val)	Number of children subject to Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) which were held within timescales (excludes transfer-ins)	Steph Murray	Stuart Webb	<i>Child Protection planning is timely, ensuring that the risks to children are discussed and responded to expediently.</i>	14	23	20	42	36	40	34	↓ -15%	↑ 113%	▲	27	42	34	33	40	Performance is closer to SN average for the past two months. However, there is still a risk of deteriorating performance, particularly if the assessment service experiences an increase in demand after the summer holiday period.
CP3-QL	Percentage of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPCs) held within timescales (based on count of children)	Steph Murray	Stuart Webb	<i>Child Protection planning is timely, ensuring that the risks to children are discussed and responded to expediently.</i>	70%	61%	44%	86%	62%	74%	79%	→ 7%	→ 9%	▲	62%	86%	81%	78%	76%	Performance is closer to SN average for the past two months. However, there is still a risk of deteriorating performance, particularly if the assessment service experiences an increase in demand after the summer holiday period.
CP8-QL	Percentage of children subject to a Child Protection Plan seen in the last 15 working days.	Steph Murray	Sarah Ward	<i>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.</i>	89%	88%	100%	83%	88%	83%	74%	↓ -11%	↓ -13%	▲	85%	100%	Local	Local	Local	This figure has decreased which is impacted by both staff leave and families holidays out of area. Capacity and high caseloads are still an issue in Pact and this also impacts. The number of visits undertaken is higher than recorded as workers, due to capacity issues, have not been able to ensure their recording is completed in a timely way.

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CP5-QL (val)	Number of new Child Protection Plans (CPP) where child had previously been subject of a CPP at any time (repeat)	Steph Murray	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.	0	5	7	6	14	25	12	↓ -52%	↑ 500%	▼	12	25	9	8	11	12m average continues to broadly align with SN average.
CP5-QL	Percentage of new Child Protection Plans (CPP) where child had previously been subject of a CPP at any time (repeat)	Steph Murray	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.	0%	16%	17%	13%	26%	48%	25%	↓ -48%	↑ 113%	▼	26%	48%	24%	22%	23%	12m average continues to broadly align with SN average.
CP9	Number of children subject to Review Child Protection Conferences (RCPCs) in the month	Steph Murray	Stuart Webb	Where children are subject to Child Protection planning, their cases are reviewed regularly to identify progress and any barriers.	95	173	45	65	72	125	33	↓ -74%	↓ -55%	▼	93	173	Local	Local	Local	Summer holiday period has impacted upon capacity to convene quorate RCPC and this has impacted upon the number of conferences and step downs.
CP7	Number of ceasing Child Protection Plans (CPP), excluding temporary registrations	Steph Murray	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.	61	74	19	28	27	49	16	↓ -67%	↓ -36%	▲	42	74				Summer holiday period has impacted upon capacity to convene quorate RCPC and this has impacted upon the number of conferences and step downs.
LAC1	Number of Looked after Children at end of period	Julian Watkins	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.	507	495	490	499	497	511	508	→ -1%	→ 3%	▼	500	511	496	527	550	A slight decrease of 3 children in our care, from 511 at the end of July to 508 at the end of August. The last 6 months have shown little variation for this indicator with 490 being the minimum in that period and last month at 511 being the highest.
LAC1-NI	Looked after Children rate per 10,000	Julian Watkins	Mary Hardy	The level of children in care is at a level that is comparable with other local authorities like Southampton.	100	97	96	98	98	101	100	→ -1%	→ 3%	▼	98	101	89	67	53	With so little change from July to August the rate has moved from 101 per 10,000 of population to 100 - which means it remains significantly higher than all our comparators.
LAC2	Number of new Looked after Children (episodes)	Julian Watkins	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.	13	6	8	15	15	16	18	↑ 13%	↑ 100%	▼	15	25	47	44	46	Numbers of children coming new in to our care have risen again month on month with 18 new in to care in August compared to 16 in the previous month. This is 100% higher than the number coming in to care in the same month in 2020, although all this activity should be seen in the context of the pandemic.
LAC3	Number of ceasing Looked after Children (episodes)	Julian Watkins	Mary Hardy	Children will leave care in a planned way with clear networks of support around them.	21	17	15	6	13	5	16	↑ 220%	↓ -33%	▲	14	21	16	16	19	A significant increase in the number of children leaving our care in the month of August, going from 5 in July to 16 in August - this puts our performance on a par with comparators but it warrants further analysis to understand the reasons for these young people leaving our care.
LAC6 (val)	Number of adoptions (E11, E12)	Julian Watkins	Martin Smith	Children who are being adopted will receive timely and effective support.	10	1	3	1	2	0	2	- n/a	↓ -50%	▲	3	10				
LAC6 (%)	Percentage of adoptions (E11, E12)	Julian Watkins	Martin Smith	Children who are being adopted will receive timely and effective support.	48%	6%	20%	7%	15%	0%	13%	- n/a	↓ -25%		17%	48%				
LAC12 (val)	Number of Special Guardianship Orders (SGOs) (E43, E44)	Julian Watkins	Martin Smith	Children subject to Special Guardianship Orders will receive timely and effective support.	1	4	3	0	2	1	3	↑ 200%	↓ -50%		3	5	Local	Local	Local	
LAC12 (%)	Percentage of Special Guardianship Orders (SGOs) (E43, E44)	Julian Watkins	Martin Smith	Children subject to Special Guardianship Orders will receive timely and effective support.	5%	24%	20%	0%	15%	20%	19%	→ -6%	↓ -25%		19%	36%	1%	1%	1%	

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LAC7-QL	Percentage of Looked after Children visited within timescales	Julian Watkins	Mary Hardy	<i>The service is in regular contact with Looked after Children to ensure that there is ongoing assessment of risk and opportunities to intervene effectively.</i>	90%	88%	69%	80%	80%	80%	76%	→ -5%	→ 5%	▲	80%	90%	Local	Local	Local	A 4% decrease in August in the % of visits completed within statutory timescales in August, which may well be holiday related. Assurance meetings are due to start this month and our visiting performance will be an initial priority target for scrutiny - if we have seen 76% of our children 6 weekly, what about the remaining 24%, how many of those are late 6 weekly visits and how many have other frequencies agreed.
LAC10 (%)	Percentage of Looked after Children with an authorised CLA plan	Julian Watkins	Mary Hardy	<i>Children have good quality care plans, to which they have contributed, and which meet their needs.</i>	94%	96%	96%	96%	95%	96%	94%	→ -1%	→ -2%	▲	96%	98%	Local	Local	Local	A slight decrease of 2% from July to August in the care plan indicator but this may also be holiday related as August saw high levels of staff on leave and high levels of sickness in the LAC teams. This will be a focus area for September to get this back to 96% +.
LAC10-QL	Number of Looked after Children with an authorised CLA Plan	Julian Watkins	Mary Hardy	<i>Children have good quality care plans, to which they have contributed, and which meet their needs.</i>	477	477	470	478	471	489	480	→ -2%	→ 1%	▲	479	489	Local	Local	Local	489 care plans were completed by end of July, falling to 480 in August, hence the 2% decrease in performance.
LAC13	Number of current Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC) looked after at end of period	Julian Watkins	Mary Hardy	<i>Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children are identified and supported by the local authority.</i>	21	20	20	18	18	21	26	↑ 24%	↑ 136%		18	26	25	21	35	A further increase of 5 asylum seeking minors in our care population in the past month - we would expect to see further increases in this number as the potential allocation for this LA is for up to 36 UASC in total to be part of our overall population of children in our care.
LAC14	Number of new unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC)	Julian Watkins	Mary Hardy	<i>Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children are identified and supported by the local authority.</i>	1	1	1	0	2	2	1	↓ -50%	- n/a		1	3	Local	Local	Local	See commentary above.
LAC11-QL	Number of Looked after Children aged 16+ or open Care Leavers with an authorised Pathway Plan	Julian Watkins	Mary Hardy	<i>Care Leavers have a good quality Pathway Plans, to which they have contributed, and which meets their needs.</i>	179	188	187	187	192	197	198	→ 1%	↑ 16%	▲	184	198	Local	Local	Local	August has seen a further increase of 1 in the number of authorised Pathway Plans, taking the total to 198 at the end of the month. This is a 16% increase on the numbers in August 2020.
LAC11-QL (%)	Percentage of Looked after Children aged 16+ or open Care Leavers with an authorised Pathway Plan	Julian Watkins	Mary Hardy	<i>Care Leavers have a good quality Pathway Plans, to which they have contributed, and which meets their needs.</i>	97%	96%	94%	94%	96%	96%	97%	→ 1%	→ 3%	▲	96%	98%	Local	Local	Local	As above.
NI147	Percentage of Care Leavers in contact and in suitable accommodation	Julian Watkins	Mary Hardy	<i>Care Leavers are in accommodation that is safe and secure.</i>	84%	82%	85%	85%	85%	84%	81%	→ -4%	→ -3%	▲	84%	85%	85%	94%	91%	August has seen a further decrease for this indicator so this will also need to be a priority for further exploration in the Assurance meeting discussions - it is crucial that we understand the nuances of this indicator to ascertain if it is the contact element or the "suitability" element that are the current concern so we can focus on remedial work.
LAC9 (val)	Number of Looked after Children (LAC) placed with IFAs at end of period	Julian Watkins	Martin Smith	<i>Our Looked after Children will benefit from high quality fostering provision, with our own carers wherever possible.</i>	160	156	151	154	158	162	165	→ 2%	↑ 16%	▼	154	165	Local	Local	Local	
LAC9	Percentage of IFA placements (of all looked after children)	Julian Watkins	Martin Smith	<i>Our Looked after Children will benefit from high quality fostering provision, with our own carers wherever possible.</i>	32%	32%	31%	31%	32%	32%	32%	→ 2%	↑ 13%	▼	31%	32%	Local	Local	Local	
LAC16	Number of in-house foster carers at the end of period	Julian Watkins	Martin Smith	<i>Our Looked after Children will benefit from high quality fostering provision, with our own carers wherever possible.</i>	153	155	156	155	155	0	0	- n/a	↓ -100%	▲	130	161	Local	Local	Local	

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EH1a	Number of Early Help Assessment (EHA) started in the month	Steph Murray	Sean Holehouse	Children and families benefit from an early help offer that is rooted in a good understanding of their needs.	125	190	199	138	173	182	135	→ -6%	→ 2%		146	199	-	-	-	The number of EHA's started was lower than the rolling average reflecting a reduction in new referrals.
EH1c	Number of Early Help Assessment (EHA) completed in the month INCLUDING adults aged 21+	Steph Murray	Sean Holehouse	Assessments are completed for adult family members where a need for support is identified.	352	381	416			400	308	- n/a	↑ 17%		312	416	-	-	-	The number of EHA's completed is slightly below the rolling monthly average with 308 recorded.
EH1b	Number of Early Help Plans (EHPs) opened in the month (includes EHPs completed, and those still open at end of period)	Steph Murray	Sean Holehouse	Children and families benefit from early help plans that meet their presenting needs.	376	315	433	317	319	412	245	- n/a	↓ -13%		307	433	-	-	-	The rate of EHP's is lower than rolling monthly average with 245 recorded, the lowest since January.
EH14b	Number of Early Help Assessment (EHA) completed, EXCLUDING adults aged 21+	Steph Murray	Sean Holehouse	Assessments are completed for a children where a need for early help support is identified..	231	255	267	208	220	261	221	- n/a	↑ 25%		212	267	-	-	-	See above
CIN5	Number of all Children in Need (CiN) (including Child Protection (CP) / Looked after Children (LAC) / Care Leavers	Steph Murray	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.	2101	2159	2119	2206	2158	2178	2070	- n/a	→ -8%		2196	2367	-	-	-	8% reduction in numbers. D22 consultation has been postponed. However, temporary social work team are starting, which should have an impact on CIN case management.
LSCB17a	Percentage of 16-17 year olds NEET or whose activity is not known	Derek Wiles	Debbie Blythe	Young people benefit from an effective work to engage them in education, training and employment.								- n/a	- n/a	▼	-	0	-	-	-	
YO2	Number of first time entrants to the Youth Justice System per 100,000 10-17 year olds in period	Steph Murray	Debbie Blythe	Young people are appropriately diverted from entry into the criminal justice system through the local diversion / prevention offer.								- n/a	- n/a	▼	-	0	417	327	256	
FM011	Families attached per quarter	Steph Murray	Sean Holehouse	Families benefit from a robust local Troubled Families offer. (Families Matter)								- n/a	- n/a	▲	29	36	-	-	-	Pending QTR 2 data return
FM012	Payment per result (PBR) claims attached per quarter	Steph Murray	Sean Holehouse	Family engagement in the Families Matter programme translates into PBR, for further investment into the programme.								- n/a	- n/a	▲	51	51	-	-	-	Pending QTR 2 data return