

Mar 2025 - Cared for and Care Leavers Scorecard - This contains a rolling 4 quarters for comparison

Notes: The boxes that are grayed out are where national data is not applicable or data isn't available.

Notes: The column highlighted in blue reflects the most recent quarter being reported on

Notes: Rates from Q1 24/25 are calculated using the new 2023 ONS mid year population estimate 0-17 of 81,634 (Office of National Statistics) and are calculated as a rate per 10,000 children aged 0-17. This enables the local authority to be compared on a like for like basis with different local authorities or groups of authorities.

Priority	Indicator	Indicator name	23/24 outturn	Q1 24/25	Q2 24/25	Q3 24/25	Q4 24/25	24/25 outturn	Benchmark National (most recent available)	Benchmark Stat N'bour (most recent available)	Corporate Plan Aim	Acronym
General	G1	Number of cared for children	541	536	557	551	550				Fair	
	G2	Rate per 10,000 cared for children	69	63	68	68	67		70	60	Fair	
	G3	Number of care leavers (aged 16-21)		335	332	345	343				Fair	
Priority 1 - We will care for our Children and Young People as any good parent would	1.1	% cared for children reviews in timescales	94%	76%	72%	73%	82%				Fair	
	1.2	% of children and young people involved in their reviews	98%	94%	93%	92%	96%				Fair	
Priority 2 - Improved Education, Employment and Training outcomes	2.1	Number of 16-18 year old care leavers that are NEET		13	1	7	14				Fair	NEET - Not in Education, Employment or Training
	2.2	Number of care leavers accessing higher education (University)		23	25	29	26				Fair	
	2.3	Number of Cheshire East care leavers in apprenticeships (18+)		9	9	13	11				Fair	
	2.4	% 19-21 year care leavers that are NEET (as per national reporting)	47% NEET at birthday	38%	45%	34%	37%		38% NEET at birthday	37% NEET at birthday	Fair	NEET - Not in Education, Employment or Training.
em safe	3.1	Number of cared for children in external foster care		119	115	114	119				Fair	
	3.2	Number of cared for children in internal foster care		126	116	116	120				Fair	
	3.3	Number of children in care living with relatives and friends (inc reg 24)		116	130	125	112				Fair	Reg 24 -Regulation 24
	3.4	Number of children placed with parents		31	34	37	37				Fair	
	3.5	Number of children and young people in residential care		46	40	45	47				Fair	

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Priority 3 - We will work to give all children and young people a forever home and keep them	3.6	Number of individuals with 3 or more placements (rolling 12mth figure)	66	65	75	61	63				Fair	
	3.7	% cared for children in care for at least 2.5yrs at the end of the period and living in their current placement for at least 2 years	66%	61%	63%	67%	69%		71%	72%	Fair	
	3.8	Number of cared for children placed over 20 miles from home address (Cheshire East and out of borough)		134	146	145	147				Fair	
	3.9	Number of children living out of borough		201	209	204	204				Fair	
	3.10	Number of cared for children who have been missing in the quarter		36	36	38	28				Fair	
	3.11	Number of children who have a long term matched placement		127	127	123	117				Fair	
	3.12	Number of placement moves in the quarter		72 (60 individuals)	120 (88 individuals)	107 (91 individuals)	91 (83 individuals)				Fair	
	3.13	% of currently cared for children who have had a C&F assessment in the last 12 mths		75%	72%	65%	61%				Fair	C&F - Children and Family
	3.14	% of Cared for Children in care for more than 1 mth who have had a review in the last 6 mths		90%	92%	94%	93%				Fair	
	3.15	% of children ceased to be looked after due to granting of special guardianship order (SGO) - year to date figure	12%	8%	6%	10%	13%		13%	12%	Fair	SGO - Special Guardianship Order
	3.16	% of children ceased to be looked after due to adoption - year to date figure	9%	11%	10%	11%	11%		10%	11%	Fair	
	3.17	Number of children with an adoption decision		36	38	39	46				Fair	
	3.18	Average number of days between entering care and moving in with adoptive family (A10 national indicator) - yearly figure		519	631	614	609		376		Fair	
	3.19	Average number of days between placement order and match with adoptive family (A2 national indicator) - yearly figure		167	244	236	281		185		Fair	
	4.1	Children looked after who had their annual health assessment (%)	91% (OC2 cohort)	83%	85%	89%	89%		89% (OC2 cohort)	86% (OC2 cohort)	Fair	
	4.2	Children looked after who had their teeth checked by a dentist in the last 12 months (%)	87% (OC2 cohort)	82%	74%	70%	66%		70% (OC2 cohort)	65% (OC2 cohort)	Fair	
	4.3	% of 4-16 in care for 3 months or more with a completed SDQ score in the last 12 mths	63% (OC2 cohort)	58%	68%	46%	52%		77% (OC2 cohort)	75% (OC2 cohort)	Fair	SDQ - Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire. T

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	4.4	% of young people with a SDQ score of 20 or above	26% (OC2 cohort)	30%	33%	31%	31%		37% (OC2 cohort)	40% (OC2 cohort)	Fair	SDQ - Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire.
	4.5	Number of care leavers with a health passport		34/34 100%	18/18 100%	24/24 100%	15/15 100%				Fair	
Priority 5 - We will prepare young people for Adulthood	5.1	% of care leavers aged 16-21 with an up to date pathway plan in the last 6 mths		88%	82%	75%	69%				Fair	
	5.2	% of pathway plan reviews completed in timescales in the quarter		92%	84%	68%	80%				Fair	
	5.3	% of pathway plan reviews completed in the quarter where Young persons view were not sent/ gained		7%	3%	10%	7%				Fair	
	5.4	% of former relevant care leaver aged 18-21 that we are in touch with		97%	94%	95%	97%				Fair	
	5.5	% of 16-17 years old currently cared for with a PA allocated			45%	30%	34%				Fair	PA - Personal Advisor
	5.6	% of 17-18 former relevant care leavers in suitable accommodation	95%	95%	93%	97%	96%		90% at yp birthday	88% at yp birthday	Fair	
	5.7	% of 19-21 former relevant care leavers in suitable accommodation	96%	92%	86%	97%	96%		88% at yp birthday	88% at yp birthday	Fair	
	5.8	Number of cared for children in secure/ remand placements			1	1	1				Fair	
	5.9	Number of former relevant care leavers aged 17-21 in custody			9	10	7				Fair	
	5.1	Number current UASC being cared for	38	38	34	32	28				Fair	UASC - Unaccompanied Asylum Seeker
	5.11	Number current/ former UASC care leavers (aged 18-24)		114	116	123	125				Fair	UASC - Unaccompanied Asylum Seeker
	5.12	Number of individuals in staying put arrangement		42	43	45	54				Fair	