

Children's Services Scorecard - Quarter 4, 2017-18

Appendix 1

PI Ref	Measure	Lead for comments	Polarity	Stat Neigh Av	National Av	Target	Yr. end 16-17	Qu 1 17-18	Qu 2 17-18	Qu 3 17-18	Qu 4 17-18	Yr. end 17-18	RAG	Quarterly dir of travel	Comments	C&YP Plan Priority	Corporate Priority	
Safeguarding																		
1.1	Number of contacts	Naomi Banks					10,681	2809	2127	2140	2458	9,536		↑	Whilst there has been an increase in Q4 of 15% in terms of the number of contacts received compared to Q3, this still remains 5% lower than the same period last year. Overall there has been a drop of around 10% in terms of contacts to the front door compared to last year. It is possible that an early Easter contributed to the increase in quarter 4.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.2	Number of referrals	Naomi Banks					3432	952	631	664	729	2976		↑	Likewise whilst there has been an increase in referrals in line with contacts, albeit a lower increase of 10%, it is also slightly less than the same period last year. The conversion rate from contact to referral for Q4 is slightly higher than the same period last year. Overall there has been a 13% drop compared to 2016/17 and this is a reflection of a strengthening quality assurance function at the front door and the refreshed LSCB levels of need framework.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.3	% contacts to referrals	Naomi Banks					32%	34%	30%	31%	30%	31%		→	There is no regional or national comparator data available for this indicator due to the differing approaches to 'Front Door/ MASH' arrangements. The conversion rate continues to be consistent and evidences that thresholds are being appropriately applied in line with the revised threshold of need document. This continues to be quality assured through regular interface meetings between early help and social work teams as well as regular auditing.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.4	Number of repeat referrals	Naomi Banks					875	232	134	142	147	655		→	Although a very small increase in actual numbers, the rate of re-referrals continues to reduce overall, which suggests that work with closed cases has resulted in long term positive changes being maintained. The implementation of Signs of Safety should support a further reduction of repeat referrals over the next twelve months.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.5	% repeat referrals	Naomi Banks	Low is good	22.1%	21.9%	<20%	25%	24%	21%	22%	20%	22%		↓	There has been a pleasing drop in the rate of re-referrals in quarter 4 resulting in an indicative year end outturn of 3% less than last year and broadly in line with SN and national averages. The implementation of Signs of Safety should support a further reduction of repeat referrals over the next twelve months.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.6	Number of children that went missing 5 times or more from home (quarterly figure is 5 or more times in any quarter)	Jacquie Sims	Low is good				11	supressed	5	supressed	supressed	21			The year end position is the number of children that went missing from home more than 5 times in the reporting year 2017-18. The overall figure is higher than that reported quarterly reflecting individuals that go missing with less persistent frequency than some of the cared for cohort, but nevertheless can become vulnerable. The data is closely scrutinised on a monthly basis for emerging patterns and risks together with ensuring plans reflect needs and that the reasons for missing episodes are fully understood.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.7	% of assessments completed within 45 days	Jacquie Sims	High is good	85%	83%	85%	88%	88%	82%	82%	82%	84%		→	Completion timescales have remained consistent at 82% for the last 3 quarters, resulting in an indicative outturn of 84%, which is marginally less than our internal target of 85%. In line with last year we completed 30% within 15 days and 70% within 35 days. Whilst timeliness is an important consideration to avoid drift and delay, it is also crucial to view this alongside audit findings in terms of quality and impact.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.8	Number of children in need (CIN) - local definition	Jacquie Sims					880	985	831	810	914	914		↑	This purely relates to the individuals open to the two CIN/CP teams, including those within the FACT 22 (Project Macclesfield/Crewe) Service that are being assessed or supported at the child in need level. It excludes those open to the Disability Service. There has been an increase from Q3 to Q4 corresponding with a small decrease in child protection figures, so overall open cases remain within an acceptable number. As Signs of Safety becomes embedded, we are expecting a rise in cases managed at the CIN level.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.9	Rate of children in need (CIN) per 10,000 - local definition	Jacquie Sims					116.7	130.6	110.2	107.4	121.2	121.2		↑	Following a review, this indicator and the one above, will be revised for Q1 in 2018/19 to reflect the national data set and therefore will include benchmarking data too. Overall our rate per 10,000 of child protection, cared for children and care leavers is below national average. This is the benchmarking data set, as CIN only is not benchmarked.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.10	% initial child protection conference (ICPC) within 15 days of Section 47 enquiry (S47)	Kate Rose	High is good	83%	77%	90%	77%	92%	83%	81%	80%	83% (indicative)		→	In quarter 4 there were 35 conferences pertaining to 73 individuals, which is a substantial reduction on the previous quarter of 74 conferences and 137 children. The year end performance is indicative as there may be adjustments due to known amendments with dates in the system, but early CIN census extract is showing a current performance of 83% which is in line with statistical neighbours (SN) and ahead of the national picture, albeit less than the target of 90%. However, 93% were completed within 20 days to ensure any impact of delay was minimal. Whilst an ambitious target given SN and national picture. we have demonstrated a capacity to achieve performance at this level and remains the aspiration. The performance is reported weekly to the Head of Service and managers so they are aware of the reasons for any delays within their team in bringing children to conference. To mitigate any risk to children in the delay, an outline protection plan is agreed at the time the conference is booked.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.11	Number of children subject to child protection (CP) plan [includes child sex exploitation (CSE) Plans]	Kate Rose				260-300	275	288	333	344	287	287		↓	Following a steady rise in quarters 2 and 3, we have now seen a drop to more expected levels of CP work. We have quality assured the threshold applied to conference and have found that the right thresholds have been applied irrespective of whether the number have increased or fallen. Those children on a child protection plan are appropriately subject of the plan. As Signs of Safety becomes embedded we expect to see a change in the profile for numbers and time on a plan as we ensure that changes for children are sustained	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.12	Rate of children subject to child protection (CP) plan per 10,000	Kate Rose		38.8	43.3	35-40	36.5	38.2	44.2	45.6	38.1	38.1		↓	Following a steady rise in quarters 2 and 3, we have now seen a drop to more expected levels of CP work. Ongoing audit work continues to quality assure plans for progress and to prevent drift and delay. Whilst it is probably too early to suggest the drop is as a result of Signs of Safety the rate per 10,000 is now more in line with what we would expect within the CE demographic profile	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.13	% children becoming subject to a child protection (CP) plan for 2 nd / subsequent time	Kate Rose	Low is good	21.4%	18.7%	<15%	17.4%	17.1%	11.0%	18.9%	17.7%	16.0%		↓	This relates to 71 out of a total of 454 individuals being made subject to a plan. Whilst the year end position is slightly higher than the target of 15%, performance has improved since last year despite an increase in child protection volumes. We are now in line/ better than SN and England averages. Repeat plans is a regular subject of audit to understand presenting reasons and to inform improved planning and practice where possible. This is also a focus of joint performance meetings. As Signs of Safety becomes embedded, we might expect a change to this as multi-agency plans are transferred to families to maintain where it has been demonstrated that the changes can be sustained.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.14	Number of child protection (CP) plans over 2yrs	Kate Rose	Low is good	supressed	3.4%	0%	0.5%	3.7%	0%	0.9%	0%	1.1%		↓	There has been a quarterly improvement with no child protection plans ending over two years in Q4. Year end shows a position of 1.1%, however this is a very small cohort of individuals and all plans were closed within 25 months. The reasons for the cases taking slightly longer in the child protection process are known to senior management and they are satisfied that it reflected an appropriate outcome for the individuals concerned.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.15	Number of children on a child sexual exploitation (CSE) plan	Kate Rose					10	6	7	7	5	5		↓	The number of young people on a formal CSE plan has reduced and this remains an areas of focus for senior managers as it is an area that requires vigilance. The figure also does not reflect those children and young people where there are risks of CSE as result of adolescent neglect - these children are on child protection plans under the category of neglect and the risks of CSE managed within that plan.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
1.16	% child protection (CP) children reviewed in timescales (year to date fig)	Kate Rose	High is good	92.8%	92.2%	100%	99.0%	99.0%	100%	99%	97%	98%		→	In terms of the full year picture in 2017/18 a total of 838 individual reviews took place, 825 of which were in timescales. This is not unique individuals as many will have received at least 2 in this period. It is important also to note that the published figure for this when reported may be less as it only reflects cases that are open at 31/3/18 for 3 months or more. The indicative figure for this is 94.7%. Given the increase in demand, this represents excellent performance and most importantly a good service to children and young people.	1 Having A Voice	Outcome 5	

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Cared for Children																		
2.1	Number of cared for children	Kerry Birtles				400-450	422	438	466	470	477	477		↑	The overall population of cared for children has increased, however at a significantly slower pace than that observed in Q1, Q2 and Q3. The continued increase has been in part due to a further 6 unaccompanied asylum seekers being supported in Q4, which means in the second half of the year we accommodated 15 young people, compared to 11 in the whole of 2016/17. The service is focused on ensuring that children that require safeguarding via care have that option, but also that support is available for those children who require intense support to remain at home, or with family members. Cheshire East are not unique in the region in experiencing increased demand, however the operational strategy to managing this is evidenced in the plateauing out of overall numbers. In addition, the proportion of cared for children where the council does not share parental responsibility continues to fall with only 9% subject to a voluntary arrangement. Despite the increase in cared for children, we continue to be towards the lower end of our statistical neighbour group and nationally for rate of cared for children (per 10,000), in particular lower than Cheshire West and Chester and Warrington Councils. A number of initiatives are being taken forward to reduce the pressures such as commissioning residential children's homes, expanding Project Crewe, establishing Project Macclesfield, joining a regional adoption agency, and a shared marketing and recruitment hub to optimise the opportunity to recruit sufficient foster carers.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
2.2	Rate per 10,000 cared for children	Kerry Birtles		58	62	53.1 - 59.7	56	58.1	61.8	62.3	62.7	62.7		↑	As above	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
2.3	% cared for children with 3 or more placements in year	Kerry Birtles	Low is good	data not yet released	10%	<12%	13.6%	This data will be presented annually. See comments for quarterly updates				10.7%		↑	Of the current cared for cohort, there are 51 individuals who have had 3 or more placements. This gives a year end position of 10.7%, which is an improvement on last year (13.9%) and below our internal target. A robust resource allocation panel and placement review process in in place for all children who are at risk of experiencing three or more placement or in fact any unplanned placement move.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
2.4	% cared for children in long term stability placement	Kerry Birtles	High is good	data not yet released	68%	75%	69.0%	This data will be presented annually. See comments for quarterly updates				65.4%		↓	Of the children currently under 16 who have been in care for over 2.5 years at the end of March 2018, 65.4% had been in the same placement for 2 years which is slightly lower than last year (69%) and below our target. A redesign of the services that responds quickly to the potential for care instability has been completed with a clearer focus on prevention. Every child where there is a risk of their care ending with their carers will be part of a placement review meeting to prevent this from occurring. This is an area of significant priority and as such we have deployed dedicated resources to focus on permanence for children.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
2.5	% cared for children reviews in timescales	Kerry Birtles	High is good			95%	90%	95%	96%	99%	96%	91.0%		↓	There was a slight dip in Q4 and the year end position shows that, whilst we did not achieve our internal target, we improved on last year despite an increase in cared for children and care leavers being supported. There will always be occasions where due to unforeseen circumstances a review cannot be held when planned. Ongoing scrutiny and joint performance challenge sessions between the cared for service and the independent reviewing service will ensure that where this occurs there is evidence that the reasons are understood and the young person is receiving the right support.	1 Having A Voice	Outcome 5	
2.6	Number of cared for children in internal foster care (including friends and family placements)	Kerry Birtles	High is good			215	209	210	207	199	210	210		↑	This is a positive impact in that more individuals are being supported with friends and family/ Cheshire East Carers. Crucially as internal foster carers will be within CE, this will most likely result in less disruption for individuals in terms of continuity of schools and access to friends/ family network where possible. This will also impact positively on budgets as the cost of an internal placement is substantially less than external foster care.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
2.7	Number of cared for children in external foster care	Kerry Birtles	Low is good			85	95	102	118	114	114	114		→	The number of individuals in external foster care has remained static in Q4, which is positive albeit we would still like to see this figure reduced. The Cheshire East fostering collaboration with 3 neighbouring authorities went live in April 2018 with a targeted recruitment strategy and shared agreement regarding use of internal vacancies across the collaboration.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
2.8	Number cared for children placed over 20 miles from home address (Cheshire East and out of borough)	Kerry Birtles	Low is good				91	105	112	107	115	115		↑	Whilst this figure represents 24% of the individuals in care (excluding UASC), 13 of these children are placed with family/friends, 12 in adoption placements and an additional 19 are in long term foster placements. In addition, a further 32 are in specialist school/ home/ baby and mother provision and there is ongoing work with commissioning to increase the level of locally available specialist provision and residential homes.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
2.9	Number of cared for children that went missing 5 times or more (quarterly figure is 5 or more times in quarter)	Kerry Birtles	Low is good				30	13	7	9	supressed	27		↑	The year end position is the number of cared for children that went missing more than 5 times in the reporting year 2017-18. This includes CE children who are placed in CE and those placed in other local authorities. Q4 has seen a considerable reduction in the number of children going missing from placement more than 5 times. This reflects better matching and planning to ensure that Children's wishes and feelings are understood and they are more settled, especially as one of the key drivers for going missing is to see family and friends. This is monitored closely on a monthly basis and scrutinised for emerging patterns together with ensuring plans are revised to reflect needs and the reasons for missing episodes fully understood and addressed.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
2.10	% of initial health assessments requested within 48 hours of coming into care	Kerry Birtles	High is good			70%	71%	58%	41%	84%	86%	68%		↑	There is continued improvement with 24 out of 28 assessments being requested within 48 hours in Q4. Two of the 4 out of timescale were requested within 72 hours. Evidence of the success of the new process has now been seen over a six month period with 100% in timescales achieved in January. Whilst the overall year figure is disappointing, the positive impact of the last six months should result in a much improved performance for 2018/19.	4 Being Healthy	Outcome 5	
2.11	% of initial health assessments completed by paediatricians within 20 days	Kerry Birtles	High is good			100%	39%	41%	32%	64%	78%	57% (63%)		↑	There were 200 children in total who entered care in 2017/18. Of these 7 left care before 20 days and there were a further 8 who left care prior to the assessment being completed. Of the 178 children, 113 were completed within 20 days giving an overall completion rate of 57% (63%). Whilst below target the latter half of the year has shown considerable improvement and demonstrates success of the new process and improved partnership working.	4 Being Healthy	Outcome 5	
2.12	% of children in care over 12 months with a health check in the last year	Kerry Birtles	High is good	84%	90%	100%	91%	87%	79.0%	89%	78%	84.6%		↓	As at the end of March there were a total of 336 children who had been in care for 12 months or more of which 84.6% had received a health check in the last 12 months. The new process and partnership working is expected to see this percentage continue to improve.	4 Being Healthy	Outcome 5	

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Care Leavers																		
3.1	Number of care leavers	Kerry Birtles					199	202	198	196	207	207		→	This represents all eligible, relevant and former relevant care leavers who are supported with access to a Personal Advisor (PA) to offer help and guidance as they move to independence together with financial support as appropriate to individual needs.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
3.2	% NOT In education, employment or training (NEET)	Kerry Birtles	Low is good			38%	43%	43%	37%	36%	37%	37%		→	The indicator for Q4 reports the latest known activity so may differ from year end as that captures what an individual was doing on or around their actual birth date. If you include those engaging in positive activities in order to progress towards education, employment and training, then this drops to only 16% which is one of the lowest figures recorded. The recruitment of a dedicated individual in the Care Leavers Team supporting those at high risk of NEET is contributing to this improvement together with a corporate response to prioritising care leavers for apprenticeships across Cheshire East where appropriate.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
3.3	% in suitable accommodation	Kerry Birtles	High is good			96%	94%	96%	96%	98%	98%	98%		→	There are 3 individuals considered to be in unsuitable accommodation - 2 where residence is unknown as individual has refused to disclose and 1 where individual was reported as of no fixed abode.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
Adoption																		
4.1	% of children ceased to be looked after due to adoption - year to date fig	Kerry Birtles	High is good			20%	18%	18%	16%	10%	10%	10%		→	A cumulative figure of 15 out of 149 children in 2017-18 ceased to be cared for as they achieved permanence via adoption. There are however a further 41 cared for children where the plan is for adoption, this includes 13 already placed with prospective adoptive carers, 8 awaiting Placement Orders, 4 linked but not matched, 13 not matched, 2 with adoption disruption pre-order and 1 matched but not placed with adoptive family. Cheshire East arrangements within the new Regional Adoption Agency are developing with a performance framework which robustly scrutinises drift and delay for children who are placed within their prospective adoptive family.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
4.2	% of children ceased to be looked after due to granting of special guardianship order (SGO) - year to date fig	Kerry Birtles	High is good			12%	17%	20%	17%	23%	26%	26%		↑	A cumulative figure of 38 out of 149 children in 2017-18 ceased to be cared for due to granting of SGO. A designated Special Guardianship Support Team offers support to these children up until the child reaches 18 if required. There are also financial implications for the Local Authority in the increase in Special Guardianship Orders.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
4.3	Number of children adopted (ytd)	Kerry Birtles	High is good			30	26	8	13	13	15	15		→	A cumulative figure of 15 out of 149 children in 2017-18 ceased to be cared for as they achieved permanence via adoption. There are however a further 41 cared for children where the plan is for adoption, this includes 13 already placed with prospective adoptive carers, 8 awaiting Placement Orders, 4 linked but not matched, 13 not matched, 2 with adoption disruption pre order and 1 matched but not placed with adoptive family. Cheshire East arrangements within the new Regional Adoption Agency are developing with a performance framework which robustly scrutinises drift and delay for children who are placed within their prospective adoptive family.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
4.4	% children who wait less than 14 months between entering care and moving in with adoptive family	Kerry Birtles	High is good			59%	62%	74%	69%	67%	71%	71%		↑	Please note that this indicator has reduced to being monitored at 14 month rather than 16 months in previous scorecards. There has been an improvement in Q4 and performance is well ahead of the target. The target is based on the England average that was provided by DfE on the adoption scorecards.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
4.5	Average number of days between entering care and moving in with adoptive family (A1 national indicator)	Kerry Birtles	Low is good		558	426	541	383	391	391	380	380		↓	Cheshire East performance has improved steadily year on year since this became monitored through the Adoption data set, from an initial position of over 700 days down to 380 in the latest quarter.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
4.6	Average number of days between placement order and match with adoptive family (A2 national indicator)	Kerry Birtles	Low is good		226	121	66	62	88	88	81	81		↓	We continue to out-perform the England average of 226 days and the national target of 121 days.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
4.7	Average number of days between entering care and moving in with adoptive family/ foster carer who becomes adoptive family	Kerry Birtles	Low is good			426	284	373	391	377	368	368		↓	Cheshire East performance has improved steadily year on year since this became monitored through the Adoption data set, from an initial position of over 700 days down to 368 in the latest quarter.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	

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Education and 14-19 Skills																		
Virtual School - NB attendance will be reported by academic year NOT financial year. Year end fig 2016-17 will be last academic year																		
5.1	% of Primary pupils with less than 90% attendance (ytd)	Nicola Axford	Low is good				9%	9%	9%	6%	5%			↓	This relates to 6 pupils out of 114. 3 had attendance below 90% in March. Each case has been reviewed and 2 are due to time waiting for a new school , 1 due to illness, 1 due to absence earlier in the year. Where attendance is a current problem, additional target in included in action plan - for pupils in Cheshire East, Education Welfare is involved.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
5.2	% of Secondary pupils with less than 90% attendance (ytd)	Nicola Axford	Low is good				21%	21%	11%	13%	11%			↓	19 pupils out of 144 secondary pupils had less than 90% attendance. 9 have shown improvements since Jan - March is their highest. 4 had attendance over 90% in March, 2 had 100%. 1 current school refuser and a multi team meeting has been called and a new plan put into place. 2 pupils had 2 placement and school moves however time without schools has impacted. All pupils being supported with attendance targets in PEPs. Education Welfare is involved for Cheshire East schools.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
5.3	% attendance for Primary pupils (ytd)	Nicola Axford				96%	96%	96%	97%	97%	96%			→	There has been a small drop in Q4 in primary attendance due to illness in Jan/Feb. Out of the 114 children, 97 had attendance above 95% - this remains above target. Letters of concern have been sent to alert carers to the absence and offer support. Social Workers have also been informed.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
5.4	% attendance for Secondary pupils (ytd)	Nicola Axford				96%	92%	92%	94%	93%	94%			↑	There has been a slight increase in percentage attendance for Secondary pupils. 103 pupils had attendance above 95%. A reduction in exclusions and improved support planning has helped to bring about this improvement.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
5.5	Percentage of completed PEPs (Termly)	Nicola Axford	High is good				93% (July fig)	93% (July fig)		92%	94%			→	94% of PEPs were completed at the end of the Spring Term 2017/18. There were 25 PEPs that were not returned. All of these have been pursued and will now be loaded. This includes children new into care at the end of March who had PEPs held on entry, but still in process. This is an improvement from the last term and a 13% increase from Spring term 2017.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
Schools - NB data reported on a 1/2 termly basis - commentary will indicate which 1/2 term latest figures relate to. Year end 16-17 will be last academic year end																		
6.1	Number of Academies	Mark Bayley	N/A				68	73	74	75	76	76		→	The pace of academisation across Cheshire East has reduced in this period and through the year. Overall, the position is that 49% of all of our schools are academies. The reduction in conversions is primarily based upon the requirement for schools now to join existing academy trusts, which adds additional pressures on schools to seek the right trust to meet their needs.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.2	Number of maintained schools	Mark Bayley	N/A				87	82	81	80	79	79		→	See above	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.3	% good or outstanding primary schools	Mark Bayley	High is good		87%		93%	91%	92%	90%	90%	90%		→	Only one primary school has received a full Section 5 inspection report published since the last update. This was the first inspection as an academy and they are judged to be requiring improvement. Two schools had short inspection reports published (Section 8) and both continue to be good. As inspections continue to target more vulnerable schools based upon prior outcomes, the overall percentage remains high.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.4	% good or outstanding secondary schools	Mark Bayley	High is good				80%	80%	80%	76%	76%	76%		→	No secondary inspections in this period.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.5	Number of fixed term exclusions 1/2 termly - primary	Claire Williamson	Low is good	61	49650			33		56	28			↓	The Fair Access Team continues to support schools with advice to reduce exclusions. This includes suggesting sources of support and advice for schools. It also includes liaison with the Special Educational Needs and Disability team to identify any support that could be offered where a child has special educational needs and is at risk of exclusion. This also allows applications for Education and Health Care Plans to be progressed.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.6	Number of fixed term exclusions 1/2 termly - secondary	Claire Williamson	Low is good	297	239240			286		571	358			↓	Schools continue to access advice from the Fair Access Team. Increased capacity for alternative provision is available to schools due to match funding provided by the authority. Schools are encouraged to work in partnership within their local clusters to arrange managed moves between schools to avoid permanent exclusions.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.7	Number of permanent exclusions 1/2 termly - primary	Claire Williamson	Low is good	1	920			0		2	1			↓	There was one primary permanent exclusion and it is hoped with appropriate support the child will be able to rejoin mainstream education before too long. The parent has spoken very positively about the provision put in place to support their child. Work continues to be done to ensure that there is appropriate capacity for alternative provision for primary age pupils at risk of permanent exclusion and appropriate provision for permanently excluded pupils.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.8	Number of permanent exclusions 1/2 termly - secondary	Claire Williamson	Low is good	5	4790			9		6	6			→	Secondary permanent exclusions have stabilised, although there is still concern that certain schools are more likely to exclude than others. Where this is an issue, it is fed into the regular meetings to discuss Vulnerable Schools so that action can be taken. Half termly meetings are now taking place with the Pupil Referral Unit to review permanently excluded pupils who may be ready for reintegration into mainstream schooling and an appropriate school identified in accordance with the Fair Access protocol. A key objective for the next year is to support schools to reduce permanent exclusions through increasing alternative provision, supporting Fair Access Panels through match funding and providing advice and support through the Welfare Attendance and behaviour workshops and training.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.9	Number of children missing from education - Active cases 12 weeks or less (latest fig at quarter end)	Claire Williamson	Low is good				25	25	23	23	27	27		↑	This figure generally varies throughout the year and includes all newly referred cases. All cases that come in follow a clear process of checks to identify risks before being passed onto the CME lead. Better links have also been built with other services, such as Early Years and Admissions, which will result in a reduced number of cases being recorded as CME, and us working collaboratively to locate children and ensure they receive a suitable education.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.10	Number of children missing from education - Active cases 12 weeks or more (latest fig at quarter end)	Claire Williamson	Low is good				31	31	43	45	58	58		↑	New processes have been planned and will be implemented to reduce the CME figures in the next quarter.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.11	% of pupils with less than 90% attendance Primary school year to date	Claire Williamson	Low is good	7.6	8.9			7%		9%	9%	9%		→	Persistent absence remains the same for primaries; slightly higher than the national average. The service supports schools with attendance in a number of ways however, due to a temporary high volume of staff sickness, the service has not been able to deliver the same standard as in previous quarters.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.12	% of pupils with less than 90% attendance Secondary School year to date	Claire Williamson	Low is good	13.5	14.3			11%		13%	14%	14%		→	Persistent absence has remained the same; slightly below national average. There are certain schools where attendance concerns are disproportionately higher and strategies are being put in place to target these schools and provide active support to increase children's attendance.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.13	Current number of pupils being educated at home (year fig is position at yr end i.e July)	Claire Williamson	Low is good				323	323	293	314	348			↑	The increase in the number of pupils being educated at home (EHE) is consistent trend over the last few years. Our EHE Consultant is working hard to make parents more aware of their responsibilities and processes around EHE. New processes and strategies are in place for identifying EHE children, monitoring their education and supporting the families.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
6.14	Number of meals delivered (per day)	Mark Bayley	High is good					14416	14093	14434	14412	14412		→	The high number of school meals delivered per day is being maintained.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	

PI Ref	Measure	Lead for comments	Polarity	Stat Neigh Av	National Av	Target	Yr. end 16-17	Qu 1 17-18	Qu 2 17-18	Qu 3 17-18	Qu 4 17-18	Yr. end 17-18	RAG	Quarterly dlr of travel	Comments	C&YP Plan Priority	Corporate Priority	
Prevention and Support																		
Prevention and Early Intervention																		
7.1	Number of cases through Early Help Brokerage	Jonathan Potter					3536	889	586	640	759	2985		↑	There has been a further increase in the number of cases passed to the Early Help Brokerage, but this remains consistent as a percentage of overall contacts.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
7.2	Number of CAF's open	Jonathan Potter					946	935	958	700	658	658		↓	The number of open CAF's has reduced throughout 2017-18. This is partly due to data quality work addressing the closure of legacy partner agency CAF's, so is now a clearer picture of activity.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
7.3	% of all open CAFs led by Cheshire East Prevention service staff	Jonathan Potter					47%	53%	50%	53%	46%	46%		↓	Partner agency CAF leads are currently being trained to enable them to load CAF's directly into Liquid Logic. This work has been ongoing with Health since Feburary 2018 and Schools since April 2018. It is expected that this will improve data quality and the consistency of recording in the CAF process.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
7.4	% 0-2 yrs engaged at children centres (most vulnerable i.e CIN/CP/LAC that have attended 3 or more times in the last 12 months)	Jonathan Potter	High is good					49%	44%	42%	35%	35%		↓	Work is underway to increase the awareness of staff working with vulnerable children to encourage them to engage with the children's centre.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5	
7.5	% eligible children taking up 2 year old offer (termly figure only)	Jonathan Potter	High is good		72%		76%	75%	72%	78%	78%	78%		↑	There continues to be a consistently high take up of the 2 year old offer in Cheshire East.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
7.6	% children taking up 3 and 4 year old offer (termly figure only)	Jonathan Potter	High is good			97%-99%	97%-99%	97%-99%	97%-99%	97%-99%	97%-99%	97%-99%		→	There continues to be a consistently high take up of the 3 and 4 year old offer in Cheshire East.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
7.7	Number of families turned around (family focus) - claims made at agreed points in the year	Jonathan Potter	High is good				153	45	41	25	69	180		↑	The running total of claims made at this point, indicating successful outcomes for families, is 330.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 6	
Youth Support																		
8.1	Number of young people accessing the youth support service	Jonathan Potter						1424	1030	1926	1535			↓	Although numbers are down on Q3, this is to be expected as there is traditionally a peak between September and December due to the number of individuals supported following a change in direction after results are received. The number of individuals accessing services in Q4 was up 14% on the same period in 2016/17.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 2	
8.2	Number of young people not in education, employment or training (NEET) individuals [yr. 12-13]	Jonathan Potter	Low is good				167	177	118	150	155	155		→	Of this cohort, 206 are available to the labour market, with 97% either actively seeking employment/ training or with start dates agreed. Of the 74 not available to the labour market 50% is due to parenting/ pregnancy and 48% to illness.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 2	
8.3	% of young people not in education, employment or training (NEET) individuals [yr. 12-13]	Jonathan Potter	Low is good				2.4%	2.3%	1.65%	2.11%	2.1%	2.1%		→	We continue to have an exceptionally high percentage rate in terms of supporting all young people into EET.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 2	
Special Educational Need (SEN)																		
10.1	% good or outstanding special school	Ian Donegani	High is good				80%	80%	80%	80%	100%	100%		↑	The increase in Q4 relates to the inspection of Adelaide School, which was rated outstanding by Ofsted, it's first inspection since becoming an academy.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3	
10.2	Number of new education, health and care needs assessments requests in quarter	Ian Donegani					313	73	93	82	110	358		↑	There has been a 14% increase in the number of requests in 2017/18 compared to last year and appears to reflect the national trend.	6 Additional Needs Additional Chances	Outcome 3	
10.3	% of new education, health and care plans (EHCP) completed with 20 weeks	Ian Donegani	High is good	43.4	55.5		41% (Jan 17 SEN return)	61%	47%	42%	6%	34.0%		↓	The Cumulative figure for plans issued within timescale is slightly below the performance for the full year 2016-17. Our recent performance is below the 55.7% national figure and has significantly dropped from 71% in the 2015 calendar year to 41% in 2016, but rose to 52% for the Jan 2018 census. We know from analysis of cases that do not meet timescales that the capacity of Educational Psychologists in Cheshire East is a factor. Plans are underway to increase this capacity and mitigation arrangements are in place to ensure that children and young people receive any necessary support before the plan is completed if it is likely to be out of timescale.	6 Additional Needs Additional Chances	Outcome 3	
10.4	Number of ongoing transfers from statements of educational need/learning difficulty assessments (LDA) to education, health and care plans (EHCP)	Ian Donegani				0 by end of March 2018	0 by end of March 2018	378	77	61	1	1		↓	As these are now all completed post year end, this will be removed from the 2018/19 scorecard.	6 Additional Needs Additional Chances	Outcome 3	
10.5	Total number with an education, health and care plan (EHCP) [accumulative]	Ian Donegani					1412	1513	1647	1767	1907	1907		↑	Please see below - from Q1 2018/19 all cases will have an EHCP and these two lines will be combined.	6 Additional Needs Additional Chances	Outcome 3	
10.6	Total number with an education, health and care plan (EHCP) or statement of educational need	Ian Donegani					1879	1891	1897	1882	1908	1908		→	Cheshire East combined Statement and EHC Plan numbers have increased by 1.5% in the last 12 months. 74% of these individuals are educated within borough. Nationally, the numbers of pupils with a Statement or EHC Plan has increased since January 2016 but remains equal to 2.8% of the total pupil population. Comparative data for the North West region shows a slight increase of 2.9%. Children and young people in CEC schools remains consistent and below national average at 2.6%.	6 Additional Needs Additional Chances	Outcome 3	