

Children's Services Scorecard - Quarter 1, 2018-19

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Safeguarding																		
1.1	Number of contacts	Naomi Banks					9,536	2458	2374						↓	Unlike previous years, we have not seen an increase in contacts in Q1 which traditionally has been evident and normally due to a seasonal spike prior to summer holidays. The contacts in Q1 are down 15% on last years Q4 activity of 2809. Should contacts remain at a similar level throughout the year, then the predicted year end position will be in line with last year's activity. The reduction in contacts could be evident of better partnership understanding of levels of need and other early intervention services available to support families.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
1.2	Number of referrals	Naomi Banks					2976	729	725						→	Whilst a drop of 24% compared to the same period last year, the ratio of contacts to referrals remains consistent at approximately 1 in 3. As Signs of Safety becomes more embedded, it is possible that we will see a rise in the percentage of contacts to referrals as a common understanding around risks and safety planning result in reduced contacts, but a proportionately higher level of risk being referred.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
1.3	% contacts to referrals	Naomi Banks					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					655	147	166						↑	Albeit it a fairly small number (19), there has been an increase in the number of individuals being re-referred in Q1. All re-referrals are monitored regularly within performance sessions and audit and as part of reflective learning to understand what had triggered re-referral and interventions to date. This learning is then used to help inform practice with other similar cases to hopefully reduce rates in the longer term. It is envisaged that as Signs of Safety becomes more embedded in the authority that the number of families where sustained progress is achieved will increase.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
1.5	% repeat referrals	Naomi Banks	Low is good	22.1%	21.9%	<20%	22%	20%	23%						↑	The rate of re-referrals for quarter 1 has increased compared to the year end and Q4 position albeit it is a relatively small number (19 individuals). It is, however, less than the same period last year at 24% and could be evident of the seasonal spike where agencies are more cautious (especially schools) due to the impending school holidays.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
1.6	% of assessments completed within 45 days	Jacquie Sims	High is good	85%	83%	85%	86%	82%	82%						→	The 45 day completion rate has plateaued at 82% for a number of months, however it is important to note that the percentage within 50 days for Q1 was substantially higher at 88% suggesting that assessments are, in the main, being completed in good time and not resulting in delays for children and young people in terms of plans being in place to support.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
1.7	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				21	supressed	Supressed							A total of 81 individuals were reported missing from home in Q1 but for the vast majority of these cases were 1 off events with no concerns. In the summer months especially with the good weather the vast majority of incidents relate to late arrival home. Any individuals with regular/ repeat episodes are scrutinised closely with a range of partner agencies to ensure risks are identified and appropriate support plans are in place.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
1.8	Number of children in need (CIN)	Jacquie Sims					2182	2182	2057						↓	For 2018-19 this figure has been amended to reflect the CIN figures reported as per the CIN census definition which collates information on all children meeting the criteria of a CIN as defined by the Childrens Act of 1989. This will therefore include child protection, cared for and Care leaver numbers that are also referred to separately below. This has been revised in line with what is reported as part of Annex A to Ofsted in the event of an inspection and also to allow national/ regional comparison. It reflects the overall level of social care needs in the local authority.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
1.9	Rate of children in need (CIN) per 10,000	Jacquie Sims		292.5	330.4		289.4	289.4	272.8						↓	For 2018-19 this figure has been amended to reflect the CIN figures reported as per the CIN census definition which collates information on all children meeting the criteria of a CIN as defined by the Childrens Act of 1989. This will therefore include child protection, cared for and care leaver numbers that are also referred to separately below. This has been revised in line with what is reported as part of Annex A to Ofsted in the event of an inspection and also to allow national/ regional comparison. It reflects the overall level of social care needs. We are lower than the latest available national average and statistical neighbour average which is to be expected given our demographic profile and remain significantly lower than the most recent Northwest average (Q4) of 372 per 10,000. Nearest neighbours Cheshire West and Chester CWAC) and Warrington are 321 and 277 respectively.	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%	84%	80%	74%						↓	Q1 has seen a dip in performance, however, it is isolated to the month of May. Most of the late notifications were delayed by less than a week and interim safety plans ensured that there was no risk for children. In Q1 there were a total of 56 initial conferences (about 111 children and young people), compared to only 35 conferences on 73 children in Q4 (an increase of 60%). 84% of children had their conference within 20 days of the s47. We are providing weekly reports for the operational social work teams and working with them to ensure notifications are received in a timely fashion and where delays are likely that a suitable safety plan is in place for children. We would expect to see an improvement in performance.	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	286	286	269						↓	Q1 has seen a reduction to more expected levels given our demographic profile and substantially lower than latest NW picture at Q4 of 54 per 10,000. We remain slightly higher than latest available figure of 32 per 10,000 from CWAC, but below Warrington at 38 per 10,000. We continue to convert a high ratio of S47 to ICPC and audit suggests that the appropriate cases are being escalated. We would consider the current number of children on a plan appropriate. The implementation of Signs of Safety implementation may impact on this figure as it becomes embedded.	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	37.9	37.9	35.7						↓	Q1 has seen a reduction to more expected levels given our demographic profile and substantially lower than latest NW picture at Q4 of 54 per 10,000. We remain slightly higher than latest available figure of 32 per 10,000 from CWAC, but below Warrington at 38 per 10,000. We continue to convert a high ratio of S47 to ICPC and audit suggests that the appropriate cases are being escalated. We would consider the current number of children on a plan appropriate. The implementation of Signs of Safety implementation may impact on this figure as it becomes embedded.	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%	17.7%	17.7%	17% (rolling year)/ 24% just Q1						↑	In Q1 there was a substantial increase in the number of children commencing a plan for a second time (24 out of 100 commencing on a plan). The number commencing a plan overall however was substantially higher than the previous quarter with a 61% increase. Of the 24 children, half had been on a previous plan within the last 2 years. We might expect some children to experience repeat plans as family circumstances and risks are not static. however we would want to keep this number low. for this reason, repeat plans are closely scrutinised for themes and regular audits are undertaken to identify learning points to improve planning and successful intervention for the future. we would expect over the year for this figure to reduce.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
1.14	% of child protection (CP) plans over 2yrs	Kate Rose	Low is good	supressed	3.4%	0%	1.1%	0%	0%						→	In Q1 there were no plans ended which had been open for 2 years or more. At performance sessions time on plan is closely scrutinised with discussion around actions within plans and evidence of sustained change and progress.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
1.15	Number of children on a child sexual exploitation (CSE) plan	Kate Rose					5	5	Supressed						↓	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. A recent audit has provided evidence that will facilitate the service to focus it's awareness and responsibilities. A new screening tool has been launched across agencies and this is supported by awareness raising by the safeguarding Board.	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%	94.7%	98%	98%						↑	The Q1 figure shows continued performance at a very high level. Of the 190 individuals subject to a review in Q1, 187 of these were complete in timescales. For the 3 that weren't, there were appropriate reasons for the delay which were in the best interests of the individuals to ensure the most effective outcome. 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 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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1.17	Average Case load CIN/CP	Jacquie Sims	Low is good			<20	24	24	23						→	At the end of Q1, the average caseload in CIN/CP Crewe was 23 and in CIN/CP Macc it was 23. There have been some recent pressures due to realignment of team boundaries and change to the FACT22 service.	2 Having A Voice	Outcome 5
Cared for Children																		
2.1	Number of cared for children	Kerry Birtles				400-450	477	477	495						↑	56 individuals entered care in Q1 of 2018/19 which is a similar profile to the levels seen in Q1 last year of 60 individuals. Whilst an increase in cared for children is being seen across the north west, the rate of increase in Cheshire East is higher than elsewhere albeit we still remain substantially lower than the latest available Q4 NW average of 86 per 10,000. Nearest neighbour CWAC reported 74 per 10,000 in Q4 and Warrington reported 90 per 10,000. A focus on permanency planning at all levels of social care involvement together with a number of initiatives are being taken forward to reduce the pressures such as commissioning residential children's homes, expanding Project Crewe, joining a regional adoption agency, and a shared marketing and recruitment hub to optimise the opportunity to recruit sufficient foster carers. The number of children subject to S20 arrangements continues to decline as most children entering care do meet the court application threshold.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
2.2	Rate per 10,000 cared for children	Kerry Birtles		58	62	53.1 - 59.7	62.7	62.7	63.8						↑	See 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%	10.7%		This data will be presented annually. See comments for quarterly updates						↑	31 of the current number of individuals in care have had 3 or more placements in the last 12 months giving an indicative percentage of 6.2%.	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%	65.4%		This data will be presented annually. See comments for quarterly updates						↓	There are currently 83 individuals that have been in care for 2.5 years who have not been in the same placement for 2 years. However, when you look at those who have been in placement less than 18 months this reduces substantially to 53. 14 of these are placed with parents or relatives.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
2.5	% of cared for children with a plan for permanence endorsed at 2nd review	Kerry Birtles	High is good						72%							16% had a plan presented which was not endorsed. The remaining cases are subject to ongoing court proceedings.		
2.6	% cared for children reviews in timescales	Kate Rose	High is good			95%	91.0%	96%	97%						↑	Despite the increase in number of children and young people in care the percentage of reviews being completed in timescales continues to be extremely high. Timely and effective planning will ensure that the right strategies are in place to support individuals. In addition there is a continued focus on ensuring the voice of the child is evident in the planning and review process and every effort is made to support individuals in attending their reviews.	1 Having A Voice	Outcome 5
2.7	% of cared for children in internal foster care (including friends and family placements)	Kerry Birtles	High is good			>50%	44%	44%	43%						↓	Whilst the overall percentage has reduced, there is a small increase in the number of individuals from 210 to 213 which 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. Excluding respite beds we are currently at 85% occupancy levels. Over the 28 vacant beds only 2 are currently available.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
2.8	% of cared for children in external foster care	Kerry Birtles	Low is good			<20%	24%	24%	23%						↓	Although the number has reduced slightly, we would still like to see a further reduction in the use of independent foster agencies where possible. Of the 112 placements, 45 are currently long term matched. The number of IFA placements has reduced from 114 to 112. 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
2.9	% of children and young people in residential care	Kerry Birtles				<5%	8%	8%	7%						↓	There has been a continued small reduction in the number of individuals placed in residential homes (35), reducing now by 12% since the peak in July 2017. This includes 2 in Cheshire East homes and 33 in independent homes (29 of these are placed out of borough). Part of the sufficiency strategy is to develop in borough provision together with specialist foster care placements to reduce the numbers further.		
2.10	% of cared for children placed over 20 miles from home address (Cheshire East and out of borough)	Kerry Birtles	Low is good			<20%	24%	24%	24%						→	Whilst this figure relates to 119 of the individuals in care (excluding unaccompanied asylum seeking children), 10 of these children are placed with family/friends, 11 in adoption placements and an additional 20 are in long term foster placements. In addition, a further 4 are in baby and mother provision. There is ongoing work with commissioning to increase the level of locally available specialist provision and residential homes.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
2.11	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				27	supressed	9						↑	Q1 has seen an increase in the number of children going missing from placement more than 5 times. An increase in episodes is often seen amongst the older age groups in Q1 especially when accompanied by extremely good weather and school terms ending so a rise in numbers is not always an immediate cause for concern. Individuals however are 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
2.12	% of initial health assessments requested within 48 hours of coming into care	Kerry Birtles	High is good			70%	68%	86%	72%						↓	41 out of a total of 57 requests were completed within timescales in Q1. The dip in performance however relates primarily to those entering care in June as April and May had performance of 88% and 91% respectively.	4 Being Healthy	Outcome 5
2.13	% of initial health assessments completed by paediatricians within 20 days	Kerry Birtles	High is good			100%	57% (63%)	78%	65%						↓	37 of the 58 requests were completed in timescales, with a remaining 20 completed out of timescales and one individual leaving care prior to completion. There is a considerable dip in performance in Q1 compared to Q4 which primarily relates to performance in June where a total of 24 were completed - 12 in timescale and 12 out of timescale with the additional individual leaving care before their health assessment was completed. Further analysis has revealed the need to strengthen the notification to Social Workers of appointment dates and to encourage family and friends and parents to attend the appointment.	4 Being Healthy	Outcome 5
Care Leavers																		
3.1	Number of care leavers	Kerry Birtles					207	207	214						↑	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%	37%	37%	52%						→	There are currently 39 individuals in the 19th birthday cohort of whom 21 who are EET, 35 in the 20th birthday cohort of whom 14 are EET and 41 in the 21st birthday cohort of whom 20 are EET. In addition there are a further 17 individuals across the 3 cohorts involved in re-engagement activities or a traineeship scheme. A further 5 are engaged in positive activity. We currently have 7 individuals across the 3 cohorts in custody.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
3.3	% in suitable accommodation	Kerry Birtles	High is good			96%	98%	98%	93%						→	The drop is primarily due to the fact that we have 6 individuals who are currently in custody impacting upon this figure as it is classed as unsuitable accommodation due to the risks associated with the environment.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
Adoption																		

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4.1	% of children ceased to be looked after due to adoption - year to date fig	Kerry Birtles	High is good			20%	10%	10%	6%						↓	In Q1r 2 out of 34 children ceased to be cared for as they achieved permanence via adoption. There are however a further 44 cared for children where the plan is for adoption. This includes 16 already placed with prospective adoptive carers and 8 awaiting Placement Orders. 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%	26%	26%	15%						↓	In Q1 5 out of 34 children 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. Whilst the percentage rate is low it is important to note that 38% of the care leavers in quarter 1 left care because they reached 18.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
4.3	Number of children adopted (ytd)	Kerry Birtles	High is good			30	15	15	2						↓	As at the end of June there were 44 individuals with a plan for adoption, 16 of which are placed with the adoptive family and a further 8 awaiting placement order. We are therefore anticipating that by year end we will have a considerably higher number of individuals leaving care due to adoption than that seen in 2017-18	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%	71%	71%	78%						↑	Please note that this indicator has reduced to being monitored at 14 month rather than 16 months in previous scorecards. Cheshire East remains well ahead of the national 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	380	380	293						↓	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 293 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	81	81	108						↑	Whilst the average numbers of days have increased, 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	368	368	293						↓	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 293 in the latest quarter.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
Education and 14-19 Skills																		
Virtual School - NB attendance will be reported by academic year NOT financial year. Year end fig 2017-18 will be last academic year																		
5.1	% of Primary pupils with less than 90% attendance (ytd)	Laura Rogerson	Low is good					5%	6%						↑	This is an increase from 5 to 7 children. 2 are new into care, 1 with a long term illness. All cases have active Education Welfare Officer involvement working closely with the applicable social workers. From September fortnight meetings with advisors and the Virtual School head to track all students below 90% attendance will ensure swift intervention and actions are in place for all cared for children. A tracking document will be in place to record and monitor actions.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
5.2	% of Secondary pupils with less than 90% attendance (ytd)	Laura Rogerson	Low is good					11%	16%						↑	From September meetings will be taking place very 2 weeks with advisors and the Virtual School head to track all students below 90% attendance to ensure swift intervention. A new attendance tracker will be in place to allow monitoring of students attendance regularly. The Virtual School Head and Advisors will meet to track and monitor attendance and ensure clear actions are in place to support reducing persistent absence figures and improving overall attendance.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
5.3	% attendance for Primary pupils (ytd)	Laura Rogerson				96%		96%	97%						↑	Remains above target and positive overall. From September the Virtual school team meet every fortnight to go through attendance of all children to allow for timely intervention of any child falling below 90% attendance, the aim is to improve attendance overall. The Virtual School team to work with the Social Worker to provide attendance guidance and support for carers.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
5.4	% attendance for Secondary pupils (ytd)	Laura Rogerson				96%		94%	92%						↓	Attendance for all cared for children is monitored through Welfare call and reported to the Virtual School. Attendance has fallen during this period due to Year 11 (Study leave and exam period). Tracking document will be put in place from September by new VS head, fortnight meetings to review and set actions will ensure that overall PA figures are reduced and % attendance is increased.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
5.5	Number of fixed term exclusions 1/2 termly - primary	Laura Rogerson						0	1						↑	Remains low and on target. The Virtual School receive regular updates of any child who is excluded to ensure that advisors or the Virtual School Head can make contact to support and ensure repeat exclusions are reduced.		
5.6	Number of fixed term exclusions 1/2 termly - secondary	Laura Rogerson						6	9						↑	Remains low and on target. The Virtual School receive regular updates of any child who is excluded to ensure that advisors or the Virtual School Head can make contact to support and ensure repeat exclusions are reduced.		
5.7	Number of permanent exclusions 1/2 termly - primary	Laura Rogerson						0	0						→	Remains at 0.		
5.8	Number of permanent exclusions 1/2 termly - secondary	Laura Rogerson						0	0						→	Remains at 0.		
5.9	Percentage of completed PEPs (Termly)	Laura Rogerson	High is good					94%	80%						↓	PEPs are completed on a termly basis and there is a robust system in place to ensure deadlines are met. As at the end of June, 80% have had PEPs completed and loaded onto the case record system The remaining PEPs are arranged for all children before the end of term (July 18) and are on track to meet deadlines.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
5.10	% PEPs deemed good or outstanding	Laura Rogerson						64%	75%						↑	A rigorous quality assurance process is in place within the Virtual School team. We have increased the number of PEPs that have been through the QA process throughout this academic year. The number of good and outstanding PEPs has increased. Training will be provided in all settings during the next academic year to ensure that feedback is given to support continued improvement in the quality of student PEPs and targets.		
5.11	% children making expected progress	Laura Rogerson														This data is in the process of being finalised and won't be available until after Q2.		
5.12	% children in good or outstanding settings	Laura Rogerson							79%							Where individuals are either placed in a school that is judged to require improvement or their nearest school is judged as such, a risk assessment is undertaken and where appropriate visits by advisor take place prior to admissions. Pupil progress is then monitored throughout each PEP on a termly basis to ensure that the school continues to meet the needs of the children.		
5.13	Number of 16-18 year olds in Care that are NEET	Laura Rogerson						7%	6%						↓	Young people are being support through Cygnet programme to find employment and training. The Designated Post 16 advisor and Tutor are in place within the Virtual school team. Post 16 advisor meets with Cared for Children and Care Leavers Team on a regular basis to run NEET panel meetings to ensure timely interventions for all care leavers.		

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Schools - NB data reported on a 1/2 termly basis - commentary will indicate which 1/2 term latest figures relate to. Year end 17-18 will be last academic year end																		
6.1	Number of Academies	Mark Bayley	N/A				76	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				79	79	79						→	See above.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.3	% good or outstanding primary schools	Mark Bayley	High is good		87%		90%	90%	90%						→	Leighton Academy is the only school to have had a full inspection report published since the last update. This is the first inspection as an academy and they are judged to be requiring improvement. The last inspection as a maintained school rated it as outstanding. Two schools have short inspection reports published (Brierley & St Vincent's primaries) - both continue to be good.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.4	% good or outstanding secondary schools	Mark Bayley	High is good				76%	76%	76%						→	No change from last quarter.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.5	% good or outstanding special school	Ian Donegani	High is good				100%	100%	80%						↓	St Johns Wood Academy Trust was inspected in March 2018. The report was published in May 2018 with an inadequate rating. Local authority support is in place.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.6	% offered first - third Choice Primary (fig reported March annually)	Claire Williamson		97.5	96.3		98.5%	98.5%								Reported on in March annually.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.7	% offered first - third Choice Secondary (fig reported Feb annually)	Claire Williamson		95	97.6		98.5%	98.5%								Reported on in March annually.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.8	Number of fixed term exclusions 1/2 termly - primary	Claire Williamson	Low is good	61	49650			28	32						↑	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
6.9	Number of fixed term exclusions 1/2 termly - secondary	Claire Williamson	Low is good	297	239240			358	452						↑	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
6.10	Number of Fixed Term Exclusions 1/2 termly - SEN Primary	Claire Williamson						6	6						→	Work continues with schools to avoid where possible fixed term exclusions.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.11	Number of Fixed Term Exclusions 1/2 termly - SEN Secondary	Claire Williamson						14	9						↓	Work continues with schools to avoid where possible fixed term exclusions. This has resulted in a reduction in the number of secondary schools issuing fixed term exclusions.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.12	Number of Fixed Term Exclusions 1/2 termly - SEN Special	Claire Williamson						13	7						↓	Work continues with schools to avoid where possible fixed term exclusions. This has resulted in a reduction in the number of SEN schools issuing fixed term exclusions.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.13	Number of permanent exclusions 1/2 termly - primary	Claire Williamson	Low is good	1	920			1	0						↓	Work continues with schools to avoid where possible permanent exclusions. This has resulted in no permanent exclusions.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.14	Number of permanent exclusions 1/2 termly - secondary	Claire Williamson	Low is good	5	4790			6	4						↓	All 4 permanent exclusions were for persistent disruptive behaviour and 3 were from the same school. Steps are being taken to work with the school to see how they can reduce permanent exclusions. Where this is an issue, this 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 and 4 pupils are planned to move to mainstream from September.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.15	Number of Permanent Exclusions 1/2 termly - SEN Primary	Claire Williamson						0	1						↑	A key objective 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
6.16	Number of Permanent Exclusions 1/2 termly - SEN Secondary	Claire Williamson						0	0						→	No change from last quarter.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.17	Number of Permanent Exclusions 1/2 termly - SEN Special	Claire Williamson						0	0						→	No change from last quarter.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.18	Number of children missing from education - Active cases 12 weeks or less (latest fig at quarter end)	Claire Williamson	Low is good				9	27	7						↓	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 children missing education (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
6.19	Number of children missing from education - Active cases 12 weeks or more (latest fig at quarter end)	Claire Williamson	Low is good				70	58	63						↑	We are currently undertaking significant work to refresh our arrangements for ensuring children missing from education are returned more swiftly back into education using an early help approach with signs of safety embedded in practice. New Multi Agency meetings have been established to review all cases, ensure the service is aware of all cases and that these are allocated to key workers. Additional capacity in the form of family support workers have been brought in and a new team manager with a Early Help background starts in the New Year.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.20	% of pupils with less than 90% attendance Primary school year to date	Claire Williamson	Low is good	7.6	8.9		8%	9%	8%						→	Persistent absence remains the same for primaries, however, it is still higher than the national average.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.21	% of pupils with less than 90% attendance Secondary School year to date	Claire Williamson	Low is good	13.5	14.3		17%	14%	15%						→	Persistent absence remains the same for secondary school pupils, however, is still below national average. There have been a number of incidents in Cheshire East that have had a knock on effect in attendance at certain secondary schools.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.22	Percentage of Special School pupils with less than 90% attendance Year to Date	Claire Williamson		24.4	27.6		33%	33%	34%						↑	Attendance at specialist provision has historically been an issue with persistent absence well above national average. The Team have offered free EWO support to some specialist provisions and are looking into offering discounted service to vulnerable schools. A large scale review of the work carried out in one specialist provision should make an impact onto this figure.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.23	Percentage of SEN pupils with less than 90% attendance Year to Date	Claire Williamson					27%	26%	26%						→	This figures remains at a steady level. A service review will highlight how the team can further support SEN pupils within Cheshire East.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.24	Percentage Attendance for Primary Pupils Year to date	Claire Williamson		96.1	95.9		96%	96%	96%						→	Overall attendance is above that of the national average.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3

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6.25	Percentage Attendance for Secondary Pupils Year to date	Claire Williamson		94.7	94.6		94%	94%	94%						→	Overall attendance is above that of the national average	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.26	Percentage Attendance for Special School Pupils Year to date	Claire Williamson		91.7	90.7		86%	86%	86%						→	Attendance at specialist provision has historically been an issue with persistent absence well above national average. One specific specialist provision with overall attendance of around 55% is being reviewed so this figure should improve.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.27	Percentage Attendance for SEN pupils Year to date	Claire Williamson					90%	90%	90%						→	This figure remains consistently the same.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.28	Number of fixed penalty notices Issued	Claire Williamson						249	127						↓	The number of penalty notices issued has reduced in the this quarter due to staffing issues or information not being received from schools. We would look to this this number increase in the next quarter. In all cases EWOs check whether the fixed penalty notice (FPN) is appropriate before they are issued. Review is being carried out to look at FPN requests by schools to see trends is which schools are requesting penalty notices. We are also reviewing our legal processes and looking to move to the Single Justice Procedure.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.29	Current number of pupils being educated at home (year fig is position at yr end i.e July)	Claire Williamson	Low is good				335	348	318						↓	There has been a decrease in the number of pupils being educated at home (EHE). 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. Greater rigour is being applied to ensure these children are receiving an appropriate education and additional capacity in the form of family support workers has been brought in.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.30	Number of visits to EHE individuals	Claire Williamson	High is good					44	51						↑	Each pupil is contacted a minimum of annually but with a plan to increase this. The EHE lead has been set a target of visits per month. On top of home visits a number of new processes have been added into EHE with new ways to monitor children and engage with families. In addition questionnaires have been sent to all EHE families and EHE events are planned over the summer holidays to increase contact with families.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.31	Current number of CME	Claire Williamson														This data is currently being transferred to a new system and the new data suite will be reported from Q2 onwards.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
6.32	New CME referrals received	Claire Williamson					90	27	24							Generally this figure fluctuates throughout the year and tends to rise at the beginning of terms and dip towards the end.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
Medical Needs Team																		
7.1	Number of Cases open to Medical Needs Team	Claire Williamson					48	60	46						↓	Current cases have seen a dip due to year 11 students leaving and new referrals requiring time to set up.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
7.2	Number of new cases received to Medical Needs team	Claire Williamson						19	15						↓	The number of referrals to the service has remained high but we have seen an increase in the number of the key stage 3 pupils who are being referred.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
Cheshire East Life Long Learning																		
8.1	Total number of individuals accessing Cheshire East Life Long Learning (CELL)	Christopher Rowland				2583	2430	969	1241							Recruitment and results continue to be very good across the Skills and Lifelong Learning portfolio. We aim to move people to employability from whatever starting point they have. Repeat learners, more than one enrolment per learner (average courses per learner is 1.85), indicate progression within our provision. Overall achievements continue to be very good with retention 99% and achievement 98% both well above national standards.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
8.2	Number of new courses started per term	Christopher Rowland				96	92	60	40							Courses are split over the year - 52 for non-accredited learning and 44 for accredited learning. Courses vary in length; one term, two term or yearly. 96% achievement in running the courses indicates a sound recruitment strategy employed by Skills and Lifelong Learning portfolio of sub-contractors.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
8.3	Number of new individuals enrolling on CELL provision	Christopher Rowland				1389	1317	509	650							The consistently high number of new learners across the Skills and Lifelong Learning portfolio indicates the breadth of our offer. Skills and Lifelong Learning seeks to refresh its offer regularly to meet the challenges facing those furthest from employment.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
Prevention and Support																		
Prevention and Early Intervention																		
9.1	Number of cases through Early Help Brokerage	Jonathan Potter					2985	759	831						↑	There has been a further increase in the number of cases passed to the Early Help Brokerage, together with an increase from 31% - 35% of contacts to the front door being passed for early help support.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
9.2	Number of Early Help Assessments open	Jonathan Potter					658	658	677						↑	There has been a small increase in the number of Early Help Assessments open at the end of Q1 and possibly reflects better information and knowledge of partner led plans following the roll out of access to the electronic system. This more effective partnership working will ultimately result in more individuals being supported effectively at an early stage.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
9.3	% of all open Early help Assessments led by Cheshire East Prevention service staff	Jonathan Potter					46%	46%	32%						↓	Partner agency Early Help Assessment leads are currently being trained to enable them to load the assessments directly into Liquid Logic. This work has been ongoing with Health since February 2018 and Schools since April 2018. It is expected that this will improve data quality and the consistency of recording in the Early Help Assessment process.	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 5
9.4	% 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				35%	35%	37%						↑	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
9.5	% eligible children taking up 2 year old offer (termly figure only)	Jonathan Potter	High is good		72%		78%	78%	77%						→	There continues to be a consistently high take up of the 2 year old offer in Cheshire East.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 3
9.6	% 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%						→	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
9.7	Number of families turned around (family focus) - claims made at agreed points in the year	Jonathan Potter	High is good				180	69	153						↑	The running total of claims made at the end Q1 , indicating successful outcomes for families, is 483 (up from a total of 330 at the end of Mar 2018).	2 Feel & Be Safe	Outcome 6

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Youth Support																		
10.1	Number of young people accessing the youth support service	Jonathan Potter						1535	1337						↓	Whilst a reduced figure, this reflects the focus on more targeted pieces of work.	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 2
10.2	Number of young people not in education, employment or training (NEET) individuals [yr. 12-13]	Jonathan Potter	Low is good				155	155	157						→	Of this cohort, 120 are available to the labour market with 113 actively seeking employment and training, a further 5 with start dates agreed and 1 working not for reward. Of the residual 37 not available this is due to either illness (17 individuals), pregnancy or parenting (17) and 3 individuals with young carer responsibilities	5 Best Skills & Quals	Outcome 2
10.3	% of young people not in education, employment or training (NEET) individuals [yr. 12-13]	Jonathan Potter	Low is good				2.1%	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)																		
11.1	Number of new education, health and care needs assessments requests in quarter	Ian Donegani					358	110	142						↑	There has been a 29% increase compared to Q4 in terms of new requests being received. This will have a further impact on the ability to complete assessments in a timely fashion. There is significant work underway with developments to the electronic system to improve the flow of third party information to ensure sufficient information is received with requests to make timely and informed decisions.	6 Additional Needs Additional Chances	Outcome 3
11.2	% of new education, health and care plans (EHCP) completed with 20 weeks	Ian Donegani	High is good	43.4	55.5		34.0%	6%	23%						↑	Timeliness of completion continues to be a significant issue which is compounded by the ongoing difficulties in recruiting Educational Psychologists. Improving timeliness and quality of plans is a priority of the SEND action plan and there are a range of actions within this underway to improve this indicator	6 Additional Needs Additional Chances	Outcome 3
11.3	Total number with an education, health and care plan (EHCP) [accumulative]	Ian Donegani					1907	1907	1965						↑	The total number of children with EHCP continues to increase.	6 Additional Needs Additional Chances	Outcome 3