

County Durham Corporate Parenting Panel: Performance Management Framework

What are the characteristics of our cohort of children in care and care leavers?

| <i>Measure</i> | <i>2018/19</i> | <i>2019/20</i> | <i>2020/21</i> | <i>2021/22</i> | <i>2022/23</i> | <i>2023/24</i> | <i>Q1 2024/25</i> | <i>England</i> | <i>North East</i> |
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| Rate of CLA per 10,000 u18 population [Number] | 85 [840] | 92 [914] | 96 [949] | 99 [985] | 107 [1067] | 119 [1223] | 120 [1197] | 71 (2022/23) | 112 (2022/23) |
| Age and length of time in care | | | | | | | See presentation | N/A | N/A |
| CLA Placement breakdown | | | | | | | See presentation | N/A | N/A |
| Percentage of CLA placed over 20 miles (outside LA boundary) | 7% | 8% | 9% | 10% | 11% [117/1071] | 10.6% [129/1213] | 11.2% [133/1184] | 17% (2022/23) | 10% (2022/23) |
| Number of children placed for adoption | 24 | 31 | 39 | 37 | 26 | 22 | 26 | N/A | N/A |
| Percentage of CLA who are unaccompanied asylum seeking children [Number] u18 | 0.4% [3] | 0.1% [1/914] | 0.1% [1/949] | 2% [18/982] | 5% [53/1067] | 6.7% [81/1213] | 6% [76/1197] | 9% (2022/23) | 5% (2022/23) |
| Social worker caseloads | | | | | | | See presentation | N/A | N/A |

Do our partner agencies understand their role in supporting us as corporate parents?

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| Percentage of CLA with a missing incident during the year | 5% | 6% | 7% | 10% | 10% [143/1427] | 10.7% [171/1592] | 15% [223/1442] | 11% (2022/23) | 11% (2022/23) |
| Percentage of children on Child Exploitation and Vulnerability Tracker that were CLA^ | | | | | 35% [51/144] | 23% [62/269] | 20.5% [67/327] | | |
| Strengths & Difficulties Questionnaire - Average score | 14.1 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 14.1 | 14.8 | 14.9 | Reported annually | 14.4 (2022/23) | 14.4 (2022/23) |
| Percentage of looked after children aged 10 and above convicted or subject to a Youth Caution or Youth Conditional Caution during the year [number of children]* | 5% [17] | 3% [11] | 3% [11] | 2% [12] | 3% [15] | 3.8% [20] | 4.1% [28/690] | 2% (2022/23) | 3% (2022/23) |

How are we giving children and young people the chance to express their views, wishes and feelings? How do we know those are being acted on?

| <i>Measure</i> | <i>2018/19</i> | <i>2019/20</i> | <i>2020/21 [Provisional]</i> | <i>2021/22</i> | <i>2022/23</i> | <i>2023/24</i> | <i>Q1 2024/25</i> | <i>England</i> | <i>North East</i> |
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| Number of CLA accessing an independent visitor | | | 16 | 69 (59 CDYJS, 10 AFC) 15 waiting for match | 46 (45 CDYJS, 1 NEPACS) | 63 (61 CDYJS, 2 NEPACS) | 64 (62 CDYJS, 2 NEPACS) | | |

Are we providing stable environments for children in our care?

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| Percentage of CLA with 3 or more placements during the year | 11% [93/840] | 8% [74/914] | 8% [73/949] | 12% [122/985] | 9% [101/1067] | 10.7% [130/1213] | 12% [141/1197] | 10% (2022/23) | 9% (2022/23) |
| Percentage of CLA continuously for 2.5 years or more aged under 16 who were living in the same placement for at least 2 years | 62% [186/298] | 65 [203/314] | 67% [225/338] | 64% [239/371] | 68% [263/389] | 70.5% [280/397] | 68% [273/403] | 69% (2022/23) | 68% (2022/23) |
| Average number of days between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family, adjusted for foster carer adoptions (A10) [Last 12 months] | 431 [2015-18] | 428 [2016-19] | 439 [2018-2021] | 466 | 423 | 491 | 474 | 454 (Q1 2022/23) | N/A |
| Average time between an LA receiving court authority to place a child and the LA deciding on a match to an adoptive family (A2) [Last 12 months] | 190 [2015-18] | 192 [2016-19] | 178 [2018-2021] | 144 | 157 | 169 | 161 | 184 (Q1 2022/23) | N/A |
| Percentage of children adopted from care (as % of total children leaving care) [number of children adopted shown in brackets] | 12.3 [39 of 316] | 16% [55 / 352] | 18% [54 / 304] | 19% [65] | 18% [65/360] | 14.5% [55/379] | 12% [54/441] | 10% (2021/22) | 13% (2021/22) |
| Number of Mainstream Foster Carers (Approved in period YTD) | 26 | 12 | 21 | 29 | 12 | 23 | 17 | N/A | N/A |
| Number of Friends and Family Foster Carers (Approved in period YTD) | 129 | 121 | 190 | 150 | 219 | TBC | TBC | N/A | N/A |
| Number of Adopters (Approved in period YTD) | 22 | 25 | 47 | 40 | 35 | 15 | 17 | N/A | N/A |

What are we doing to look after the health and wellbeing of children in our care?

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| Initial Health Assessments completed within 20 working days of the child becoming looked after | 63% | 73% | 73% | 59% | 65% | 59% | 59% | N/A | N/A |
| CLA with the required number of health assessments | 93% | 94% | 91% | 93% | 95% | 84% | 86% | 89% (2022/23) | 92% (2022/23) |
| CLA who have had a dental check | 86.0% | 87% | 41% | 85% | 95% | 77% | 80% | 76% (2022/23) | 76% (2022/23) |
| CLA whose immunisations were up-to-date | 99% | 99% | 90% | 91% | 82% | 78.9% | Reported annually | 82% (2022/23) | 84% (2022/23) |
| CLA whose development assessments were up to date (CLA 12+ months and aged 5 or younger at 31 March) | 95% | 97% | 83% | 99% | 97% | 94.1% | Reported annually | 88% (2022/23) | 90% (2022/23) |
| % CLA identified as having a substance misuse problem in the year | 2.0% | 2.0% | Data Error | 1.0% | 1.0% | 1.4% | Reported annually | 3% (2022/23) | 3% (2022/23) |
| Percentage of new presentations to drug and alcohol treatment during period who were CLA [Number] YTD | 10% [18 of 185] | 10% [21 of 216] | TBC | 17% [27/149] | 13% [17/126] | 14% [23/168] | 11% [6/56] | 44% (2020/21) | 33% (2020/21) |
| Care leavers aged 17-21 who are pregnant or mothers (as a % of female care leavers) | | 26.3% [25/95] | | 29% [32/111] | 19% [22/114] | 24% [27/115] | 23% [33/142] | N/A | N/A |
| Care leavers aged 17-25 who are pregnant or mothers (as a % of female care leavers) | | | | 30% [39/132] | 24% [33/137] | 30% [40/135] | 19% [33/170] | N/A | N/A |

What are outcomes like for our care leavers?

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| Percentage of care leavers age 18-21 who have stayed with their foster carer | N/A | N/A | N/A | 21% [50] | 18% [44] | 14% [39] | 14% [39] | | |
| Percentage of care leavers aged 17-18 in education, employment or training (EET) | 61% [48/79] | 65% [55/84] | 76% [59/78] | 67% [56/84] | 65% [68/104] | 64.7% [77/119] | 63% [65/104] | 66% (2022/23) | 63% (2022/23) |
| Percentage of care leavers aged 17-18 in suitable accommodation | 86% [68/79] | 90% [76/84] | 95% [74/78] | 93% [76/84] | 86% [89/104] | 94.1% [112/119] | 98% [102/104] | 91% (2022/23) | 93% (2022/23) |
| Percentage of care leavers aged 17-18 in higher education | 0% [0] | 0% [0] | 0% [0 / 78] | 6% [5 / 83] | 0% [0/104] | 1.7% [2/119] | 1% [1/104] | 3% (2022/23) | 3% (2022/23) |
| Percentage of care leavers aged 19-21 in education, employment or training (EET) | 51% [80/156] | 54% [94/175] | 56% [110/197] | 61% [134/218] | 56% [127/228] | 47% [116/247] | 45% [81/179] | 56% (2022/23) | 52% (2022/23) |
| Percentage of care leavers aged 19-21 in suitable accommodation | 86% [131/156] | 83% [144/175] | 90% [177/197] | 85% [186/218] | 84% [192/228] | 79.4% [196/247] | 92% [165/179] | 88% (2022/23) | 89% (2022/23) |
| Percentage of care leavers aged 19-21 in higher education | 7% [11/156] | 9% [16/175] | 6% [11/197] | 8% [18/218] | 9% [21/228] | 7.3% [18/247] | 10% [18/179] | 6% (2022/23) | 8% (2022/23) |