

ITEM 6



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

CORPORATE PARENTING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY JOINT SUB COMMISSION

9th December 2008

Report of the Corporate Director for Children and Young People

Statistical Information on Children Looked After

RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 To note appendix 2 of this report, which gives statistical information on children looked after and the relevant key performance indicators.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 The statistical information will be updated for future Commission meetings, it is anticipated that this will assist councillors in fulfilling their corporate parenting role.

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Background papers: None
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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. None.

Legal

2. The Green Paper 'Every Child Matters' and Children Act 2004 highlights the need for 'joined up' services to ensure children's need are met which includes those of children looked after. The Green Paper 'Care Matters: Transforming the lives of children and young people in care' will place new responsibilities on Local Authorities for the care of their children looked after and is currently proceeding through the House of Commons.

Personnel

3. None.

Equalities Impact

4. Statistical information will assist Councillors to undertake their corporate parenting role in seeking to secure positive outcomes for children looked after.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. This accords with the Council's objective of **helping us to be healthy and independent** and furthers the priority of **supporting everyone in learning and achieving**.

Statistical Information Report: Appendix 2

Accommodation	Number of children at 4.11.05	Number of children at 23.2.06	Number of children at 2.6.06	Number of children at 1.8.06	Number of children at 1.12.06	Number of children at 1.05.07	Number of children at 1.08.07	Number of children at 23.11.2007	Number of children at 08/08/2008	Number of children at 20/11/2008
Placed for Adoption	27	19	18	22	30	34	34	33	33	43
Foster Placement with Relative or Friend in LA boundary	18	18	18	18	26	32	36	29	30	27
Placement with LA Foster Carer in LA boundary	138	140	150	144	135	122	126	131	119	127
Placement with other Agency Foster Carer in LA boundary	0	0	1	1	1	4	8	6	9	7
Foster Placement with Relative or Friend outside LA boundary	6	7	11	11	6	9	8	7	9	12
Placement with LA Foster Carer outside LA boundary	70	73	68	66	62	60	67	68	67	67
Placement with other Agency Foster Carer outside LA boundary	44	47	46	50	47	43	47	56	56	51
Children's Home inside LA boundary	43	33	33	36	38	35	39	39	45	46
Children's Home outside LA boundary	7	7	6	7	6	10	7	5	5	6
Whereabouts unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Placed with own parents/or other with parental responsibility	17	18	23	22	22	28	24	23	21	22
Independent Living	2	4	3	3	4	3	3	4	5	5
Residential Care Home (RHA 1984)	4	4	5	3	4	3	3	5	2	1
Residential School	5	6	5	4	4	4	3	3	3	4
Secure unit inside LA boundary	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Secure unit outside LA boundary	1	1	1	2	3	2	2	3	1	2
NHS medical/nursing care	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hostels/supportive settings	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
YOI or prison	0	0	0	1	2	1	3	1	2	0
TOTAL	383	377	389	390	390	391	410	413	407	420

- **Number of approved foster carers:** 188 as at 21/11/2008

Children in Care accessing education from the children's homes

20th November 2008 – information collected at the monthly meeting of the Residential Education Forum

Total of 37 young people in the homes (two for respite only, one at school in Derby and one at residential school out of authority) plus one baby

8 young people are above statutory school age and of these 2 are NEET

The remaining 27 are school age and of these -

16 have fulltime timetables – 11 in mainstream, 1 in special school, 4 in The Kingsmead School and/or alternative provision

11 have part-time timetables –1 in special school, 10 in The Kingsmead School and/or alternative provision – 3 of these are requiring 1:1 tuition

The Kingsmead School numbers above include some young people who remain on the roll at a mainstream school but they are educated by The Kingsmead School and/or alternative provision. The Enhanced Care Programme at Moorfield supports the education programme of many of these young people.

Attendance at school/education provision is currently poor for 10 of these young people.

Thanks
Pauline

	2006/07						2007/08				Targets (Set 23/4/07) 2008-09 Amended 07/04/2008	
PAF Indicator	06/07 Target	Derby 06/07 Actual	06/07 Band	Band Direction	Comparator Average	England Average	07/08 Target	Derby 07/08 Actual	07/08 Band	Band Direction	08/09 Target	09/10 Target
Stay Safe												
CF/A1 Stability of placements of children looked after (BVPI 49) (KT) (CPD4c)	9%	10.7%	●●●●●	⇒	12%	12%	9.5%	8.9%	●●●●●	⇒	9%	9%
CF/B 79 Children aged 10 to 15 looked after in foster placements or placed for adoption	85%	76.5%	n/a	n/a	78%	81%	74%	79.2%	n/a	n/a	75%	76%
CF/C23 Adoptions of children looked after (BVPI 163) (KT)	9%	8.4%	●●●●●	⇒	7%	8%	9%	10.5%	●●●●●	⇒	9.3%	9.7%
CF/C68 Timeliness of LAC Reviews	95%	84.2%	●●	n/a	76%	85%	95%	95.3%	●●●●●	↑	100%	100%
CF/D78 Long term stability of children looked after (PSA)	64%	66.4%	n/a	n/a	66%	66%	80.0%	67.1%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Ethnic of children looked after	n/a	1.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1.0	0.9	n/a	n/a	1.0	1.0
Children looked after per 1000 children	7.0	7.4	n/a	n/a	7.3	5.5	7.2	7.7	n/a	n/a	7.6	7.0
Percentage of children looked after in residential placements	n/a	14.2%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	14%	14.0%	n/a	n/a	14%	14%
Enjoying and Achieving												
CF/A2 Educational qualifications of children looked after [joint working] (BVPI 50) (KT)	61%	69.0%	●●●●	⇒	53%	55%	63%	67.6%	●●●●	⇒	68%	67%

CF/C69 Distance children newly looked after placed from home	11%	8.5%	n/a	n/a	9%	12%	8.0%	7.1%	n/a	n/a	10.0%	6.0%
<u>Make a positive contribution</u>												
CF/C18 Final warnings/reprimands and convictions of children looked after	2.5	1.8	● ● ●	⇒	2.8	2.5	1.7	1.3	● ● ●	⇒	1.5	1.5
CF/C63 Participation in reviews (CPD4j)	85%	92.5%	● ● ● ●	↑	88%	87%	95%	95.2%	● ● ● ● ●	↑	95%	95%
<u>Achieve Economic Well-being</u>												
CF/A4 Employment, education and training for care leavers (Ratio) [joint working] (BVPI 161)	0.89	0.99	● ● ● ● ●	⇒	0.75	0.76	1.00	1.18	● ● ● ● ●	⇒	1.00	1.00