#### **Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

## Council Plan – 6 Month Update of Delivery and Performance 2017/18 30 November 2017

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#### 1.0 Introduction

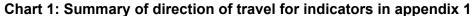
- 1.1 The Council Plan 2015-2020 sets out the vision for the Council and together with Children Gateshead (the plan for children, young people and families) and the Active, Healthy and Well Gateshead Strategy provides the strategic outcomes framework for children and young people. The overarching strategic outcomes for children and young people threaded throughout is that they are given the best start in life, which is in line with the shared outcomes in the Council Plan and in particular "Live Well Gateshead", to develop a healthy, inclusive and nurturing place for all. And in "Prosperous Gateshead" seeking to provide a thriving economy for all.
- 1.2 This report provides a performance overview linked to the 31 strategic outcome indicators, which have been identified as providing a high level picture of the strategic priorities for the Council and its partners in relation to children and young people. Performance for these indicators is summarised as a performance dashboard in Appendix 1. The dashboard groups the indicators by Care, Wellbeing and Learning responsible or supporting their delivery (Learning and Schools, Early Help, Public Health and Children and Families).
- 1.3 Section 3 of this report provides and overview of performance highlighted in Appendix 1, and sets out to summarise if trends have improved or declined since the previous report for indicators where in year updates are available (22 for this period).
- 1.4 Where a trend for a particular indicator is that it has not improved since the previous report, these are highlighted by exception. For this report 7 indicators have been highlighted as exceptions.
- 1.4 Section 4 of the report updates on actions identified from the previous report, and section 5 highlights any key achievements or challenges.

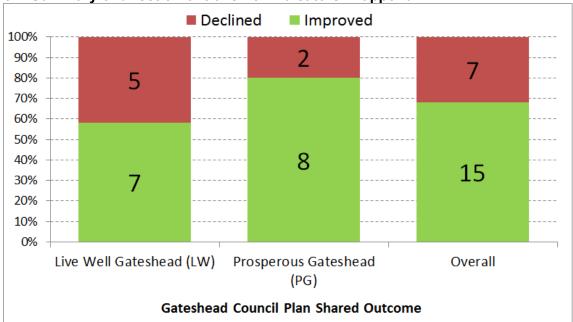
#### 2.0 Recommendation:

- 2.1 Members are asked to consider whether the activities undertaken during April 2016 to September 2016 are achieving the desired outcomes in the Council Plan 2015-2020;
- (ii) and are asked to identify any areas they feel they require more detail about or feel require further scrutiny.

## 3.0 Performance Summary

3.1 The following section summarises the overall position and trend in performance linked to the indicators included in appendix 1. More specific detail for individual indicators is provided in the table in appendix 1.





- 3.2 Of the 22 indicators with an updated position for this report included in appendix 1:
  - Overall performance trends are positive with 15 out of the 22 indicators (68%) showing an improvement since the previous report
  - 7 out of 12 indicators (58%) are showing an improvement for coming under the Live Well Gateshead outcome, including an increase in the number of families engaged by the Troubled Families Gateshead programme, a reduction in the use of custody for 10-17 year olds, a reduction in the number of mothers smoking at the time of delivery, a reduction in 4-5 year olds with excess weight issues, a reduction in the number of children subject to a child protection plan and an increase in the proportion of care leavers in suitable accommodation and education, training and employment.
  - 8 out 10 (80%) of the indicators under the Prosperous Gateshead outcome have shown improvement, of note an increase in the percentage of schools rated outstanding and the percentage of children offered their preferred primary school place and increases In the percentage of children achieving a good level of development at age 5, those achieving the expected standard at Key Stage 1 in reading, writing and maths and those achieving the expected standard at the end of Key Stage 2.

3.3 Appendix 1 reports 7 indicators which have not shown improvement since the previous report, they are:

#### **Service Area – Learning and Schools**

3.3.1 PG19b: Maximise the % of children offered a place at their preferred secondary school - 88 % of applicants received a place at their first preference school. This is lower than last year's figure of 92 %, but still compares favourably against the national figure of 83.5%. However 97.8 % of applicants received a place at one their preferred schools compared to 96.1 % nationally. As there are more children in the cohort this year we expect this figure will decrease for 2018 (as well as future years) if capacity within the current secondary school system remains as it is.

#### Service Area - Early Help

- 3.3.2 LW3: The number of eligible 2 year olds accessing their free early learning place We are currently awaiting final head-count data from providers so performance for this indicator is likely to improve. There has been a revised process for engaging with families on the list supplied by the Department for Work and Pensions to encourage take up. However we will continue to monitor sufficiency of places due to the introduction of the extended entitlement for 3 and 4 year olds.
- 3.3.3 LW29: First Time Entrants (FTE) into youth justice system aged 10-17 (Rate per 100,000 of Population 10-17 yr.) This is higher than the Northumbria PCC regional average (411) and the England average (321) of FTE per 100,000 population. Traditionally performance in this area has been better than the regional and national average for some time. The recent increase in FTEs is currently being investigated by the YOT Board to gain a better understanding of the increase; however actual numbers related to the increase are small. Moving forward as part of the development of Early Help Services in the Care, Wellbeing and Learning Group YOT prevention staff have moved into Early Help to allow coordinated preventative services to intervene at an earlier stage. As the FTE target will sit across the Early Help Services and not just in YOT prevention as it was previously the increase in the numbers of staff working with these young people should help to reduce the numbers of FTE in the future.
- 3.3.4 LW14a: Support for young carers Performance covers the period April to September 17. The council's commissioning service monitors the contract for the Young Carers Assessment Service, provided by the Carers Trust Tyne & Wear (formerly Crossroads). The council will be sharing information on Children's Centres and Schools to help the Carers Trust deliver training for Age 5-7yrs.

#### Service Area – Public Health

- 3.3.5 LW4b: Reduce excess weight 10-11 yr. olds (excess weight = Obese/overweight) Excess weight levels amongst Year 6 children have increased from 34.0% in 14/15 to 37.9% in 15/16. A research project was commissioned to explore engaging communities to address childhood obesity in areas with high levels of health inequalities. The research findings have been presented at Gateshead Council Public Health Senior Management Team, Care Wellbeing and Learning Group Management Team, Health and Wellbeing portfolio, Public Health team meeting as well as to community members, staff and head teachers who participated in the research and at the Public Health Intelligence Network North east. In addition there is a Members Seminar planned for Wednesday 10th January 2018. Work with Public Health England and Newcastle University's Open Lab is taking place to progress regional plans for an outdoor initiative focusing on a "Outdoor App" to allow children and families to find out more about, and access to green spaces, parks and cycling/walking routes in local areas.
- 3.3.6 LW16: Hospital admissions for self-harm rate per 100,000 (aged 10-24 years) Latest data not available until March 2018. Gateshead has the 2nd highest rate of admissions per 100,000 for those aged 10-24 for self-harm in the North East. A report about self-harm is being produced and will be presented to the Families OSC in January 2018. The report will focus on local level data and provide an analysis for the 2016/17 period.
- 3.3.7 PG20: Reduce the % of children in low income families (children in poverty) No change on previous report, 2015 data not available. Efforts to tackle child poverty are being focused on financial inclusion working with credit unions, enforcement activity and prevalence of high interest loans. Mitigate the impact of welfare reforms, supporting young people into education, employment and training, frontline support and advice via children's centres and other initiatives through the Employment and Enterprise Growth and Job Centre Plus to get people into work.

## 4.0 Updates on actions from previous reports

#### **Service Area – Learning and Schools**

4.4.1 Action - Look at the increase in permanent exclusions and focus on individual pupils to identify issues and any recommendations arising to address them

Permanent exclusions continue to rise in Gateshead, although nationally they are also on the increase. Following a report to the LSCB in March 2017, a Behaviour Conference was held with primary and secondary Head teachers and representatives from health, social care and Early Help in July 2017 to formulate an action plan to address these issues. Dr Lynn Wilson (Consultant in Public Health) is overseeing the implementation of this.

There were 14 recommendations from this conference to improve behaviour in schools and the following are examples of the work being carried out;

- Conduct a multi-agency review based on a random sample of vulnerable pupils to identify where improvements can be made to multi-agency practice.
- Implement "Team around the School" pilots in primary, secondary and special schools.
- Develop a menu of alternative provision.
- Look at and redefine arrangements for information sharing (Health, Police and Schools) to ensure schools have a comprehensive picture of a child's needs and the support that is required.
- Explore conducting Action Research into the permanent exclusion of girls to identify any specific causes and complexities.

#### Service Area – Early Help

4.4.2 Action - Strengthen the Early Help Strategy to empower families, professionals from all sectors, including the voluntary sector.

**Update** - The Early Help model has continued to be developed between April to September. The structure and key processes for the new Early Help Service are now in place, bringing together family support services from across the LA into a single, integrated delivery model and working within updated Tier 2 thresholds. This will bring efficiency benefits (one service, one structure, one system and one base) with a renewed focus on using evidence-based interventions which help families build resilience and make sustained changes.

4.4.3 Action - The Early Years and Childcare Service will focus on preparing for the increase in the statutory free childcare entitlement, from 15 to 30 hours, for eligible 3 and 4 year old children.

**Update** - The statutory duty to provide free childcare entitlement, from 15 to 30 hours, for eligible 3 and 4 year old children commenced 1<sup>st</sup> September. Gateshead has been an Early Implementer Innovator since April 2016 which gave us the opportunity to carry out extra work in preparation for the roll-out of the extended entitlement. Our learning has been shared with DfE.

All providers of the universal entitlement have been engaged, and although subject to change, we can report that 70% of schools with nurseries, 100% of private, voluntary and Independent providers and 40% of child minders have agreed to deliver all or part of the extended hours.

We anticipate sufficient places in the Autumn Term, but a shortfall in spring 2018, and a further shortfall in summer 2018. There will be a surplus of places in some areas of sessional, term-time only, less flexible provision.

Autumn take up figures will be known by late October but we do know that 1042 voucher codes have been issued to parents/ carers (some may be for January starts) and 837 (80%) have been validated by the LA.

#### **Service Area – Children and Families**

4.4.4 Action – Work to improve the planning framework seeking to make plans smarter and define success more clearly, and develop services to address the increase in Child Protection Plans.

**Update** - A Complex Child in Need Team and Rapid Response Team (to work out of hours) is being established which will work intensively with children and families to prevent their situations escalating to a point where the child may require a Child Protection plan or become looked after. Recruitment has commenced to these teams and the planned go live date for them is 2nd January 2018.

Work continues to improve planning within case work to support achieving better outcomes, with training sessions held in late 2016. 3 further workshop sessions are planned before Christmas targeting specific groups of staff. The training will be informed by a themed audit of plans which is currently being undertaken and due to be reported to the Principal Social Worker for children by the end of October.

4.4.5 Action - Target and co-ordinate work to improve outcomes for Care leavers, including the development of opportunities for apprenticeships within the Council.

**Update** - A separate report was made to the Corporate Parenting OSC in October 2017 giving a detailed update on the provision of support to Care Leavers. Some key areas around targeted work to improve outcomes of care leavers include:

- Building Better Opportunities programme Wise Steps, which is designed to support those Care leavers furthest away from the labour market
- Choices programme where young people get the chance to explore universities in the region, take part in activities and develop relationships with higher education support services
- Pathways 2 work, a voluntary work experience programme which aims to develop skills needed for future employment
- A bid is currently in place for funding Core Assets 'Triple A' programme, aimed at increasing care leavers in EET through an innovative and targeted mix of therapeutic and solution focused mentoring
- Programme for marginalized young people delivered by Gateshead College, giving a comprehensive range of industry related workshops aimed at enhancing learner skills and knowledge.

In August 2017 a number of service directors pledged to offer apprenticeships to Care Leavers. This will be built into the Corporate Parenting partnership strategy and plan and reviewed every 3 months. In addition the service is currently advertising an apprenticeship for a care leaver to work with Chris Hulme (Children's Rights Officer). The advert is going out in October with interviews scheduled for November, with the aim of a planned start date of January 2018.

#### Service Area – Health and Social Care Commissioning and Quality Assurance

# 4.4.6 Action - Oversee the SEND Joint Commissioning arrangements ensuring key actions identified are delivered

Update - The SEND Joint Commissioning arrangement has an action plan which is overseen by the Children & Young People Strategic Commissioning Group. The following provides an update of some key actions undertaken in the latest period:

- A Refresh of the SEND needs assessment to inform the future commissioning of services is being undertaken. This is being informed by a range of established stakeholder groups overseen by the SEND Engagement and Communication Group.
- Meetings have taken place with all current head teachers of Additionally Resourced Mainstream Schools (ARMS). The heads been requested to inform the Council in writing by the end November 2017 whether they wish to continue or close their ARMS provision. Expressions of interest have been sought for a new pilot model which will be a partnership between Gibside School and a new primary mainstream. This inclusive model of provision will be for pupils with Autism/Social and Communication Difficulties with an EHC Plan. It will be based in a mainstream primary school, staffed by Gibside School on an outreach basis. It is proposed that this model is replicated in other primary ARM schools if successful although it is recognised that it is not a one size fits all model. New Service Level Agreements will be put in place across all ARMS provisions. A Transitions Protocol has been developed and approved by the Post-16 Co-ordinating Group. The Post-16 Pathways Group is to develop information to make it clearer to young people and parents/carers about which Post-16 pathway is right for them. This information will be added to the Local Offer and will clearly outline the outcomes that young people will be expected to achieve following the course of study and what the next step is likely to be for them.
- A draft All Age Autism Strategy has been presented to the Autism Strategy Group, the strategy will now be consulted on with partners and the public prior to agreement and sign off

#### **Achievements**

- Gateshead continues to build on the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) Local Family Offer which is a funded pilot of new approaches to addressing interparental conflict in families. This follows emerging research from the Early Intervention Foundation that poorly resolved conflict between parents has a significant adverse impact on outcomes for children. The LFO has funded workforce development, resources for intervention work, and a new referral pathway for couple counselling and new performance indicators for measurement of relationship quality. Gateshead is proposing to act as the lead Local Authority for a regional cluster of areas interested in using up to £1M worth of new relationship provision across the North East.
- The proportion of children achieving a good level of development at age 5 has risen year on year from 34.2% in 2013 to 70% in 2017, which is within 1% of the national average.

- For Key Stage 1, the proportion of children at the expected standard in each of Reading and Writing and Maths is slightly higher than the national average.
- Outcomes at Key Stage 2 have been strong for several years, and remain so.
  Provisional 2017 data show Gateshead ranked 15th out of 152 Local Authorities
  nationally for the % children who reach the expected standard in Reading, Writing
  and Maths.
- GCSE and equivalent outcomes at Key Stage 4 have been relatively strong and above the national average for several years.

## Areas of Improvement / challenges

- The shortfall in places for free childcare following the statutory increase from 15 to 30 hours, especially for the Summer Term, poses a challenge. It is very difficult to measure at the moment, as this is a parental demand led market.
- No funding to support any further development of Early Years places.
- Value-added and progress scores from KS2 to KS4 have not been strong across Gateshead as a whole. There is a wide variation in outcomes of students at different secondary schools with some performing at a high level in terms of outcomes and progress compared to the national average, and some performing much less well.

## **Key Actions over the next 6 months**

- Continue to develop and implement the learning and actions emerging from the Behaviour conference earlier this year linked to permanent exclusions
- Allow for the new early help model to settle and ensure that families will not experience delays in receiving the service in the transition period.
- Implement the new Rapid Response and Child with Complex Needs teams within Children and Families Social Care.
- Continue to develop and implement the learning an actions from the SEND Joint Commissioning arrangement action plan

### **Section B: Performance Overview**

Table 1, Learning & Schools – Steve Horn

Indicator	Objective	Target	Target Target		Most Recent	Direction	Comments and Actions
maicator	Objective	Type	2020	17/18	Performance	of Travel	Comments and Actions
PG18: Increase the % of Gateshead schools rated Outstanding	Strategic	2020 Tracker	40%	-	38% (2016/17)	Improved	<ul> <li>Inspection team works closely with Primary schools to support and challenge</li> <li>Service Director monitors performance of individual Secondary schools and brokers support where necessary</li> </ul>
PG19a: Maximise the % of children offered a place at their preferred primary school	Strategic	2020 Tracker	97%	-	96% (2017 intake)	Improved	<ul> <li>Gateshead's primary first preference match for 2017 was 96 %. This has risen from the previous year's figure of 94%</li> <li>This compares favourably against national data with 90 % of applicants receiving a place at their first preference school nationally.</li> <li>99.5% of applicants in Gateshead received a place at one of their chosen schools compared to 97.2 % nationally.</li> </ul>
PG19b: Maximise the % of children offered a place at their preferred secondary school	Strategic	2020 Tracker	95%	-	88% (2017 intake)	Declined	<ul> <li>88 % of applicants received a place at their first preference school. This is lower than last year's figure of 92 %, but still compares favourably against the national figure of 83.5 %</li> <li>97.8 % of applicants received a place at one their preferred schools compared to 96.1 % nationally.</li> <li>As there are more children in the cohort this year we expect this figure will decrease for 2018 (as well as future years) if capacity within the current secondary school system remains as it is.</li> </ul>
PG21: Educational Attainment: Increase the % of children achieving a good level of development at age 5	Strategic	To be reviewe	Gove guidanc	vaiting ernment e on future indicator	70% (2017)	Improved	<ul> <li>Only a statutory indicator for one more year</li> <li>We continue to support schools and settings in inverse proportion to need</li> <li>More settings judged outstanding this year</li> <li>We continue to focus on improving leadership and communication and language as well as development of the whole child.</li> </ul>
PG22a: Reading - Increase the % of children attaining expected standard at the end of KS1	Strategic	2020 Tracker	90%	-	77.1%	Improved	<ul> <li>Provisional result for 2016/17 academic year</li> <li>National performance is 75.8%</li> <li>The inspection team and consultants provide challenge and support</li> </ul>

Indicator	Objective	Target Type	Ta 2020	17/18	Most Recent Performance	Direction of Travel	Comments and Actions
PG22b: Writing - Increase the % of children attaining expected standard at the end of KS1	Strategic	2020 Tracker	84%	-	70.4%	Improved	<ul> <li>Provisional result for 2016/17 academic year</li> <li>National performance is 68.4%</li> <li>The inspection team and consultants provide challenge and support</li> </ul>
PG22c: Maths - Increase the % of children attaining expected standard at the end of KS1	Strategic	2020 Tracker	90%	-	75.9%	Improved	<ul> <li>Provisional result for 2016/17 academic year</li> <li>National performance is 68.4%</li> <li>The inspection team and consultants provide challenge and support</li> </ul>
PG23: Increase the % of children attaining the "expected standard" at the end of KS2	Strategic	2020 Tracker	85%	-	67%	Improved	<ul> <li>Provisional result for 2016/17 academic year</li> <li>National figure was 53% in 2015/16 and is 61% in 2016/17</li> <li>Inspection team and consultants provide challenge and support.</li> </ul>
PG24: Increase % of children achieving 5 or more A* - C GCSEs including Maths & English (the final year is 2016 and 2017 will be the first year of the new 1-9 grades)	Strategic	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	Please note that this is no longer a national indicator so this information may not be available in the future.
PG25: Raise Attainment 8 – scores of pupils at the end of KS4	Strategic	2020 Tracker	50	-	49.9 (2015/16)	N/A	<ul> <li>No change since last report, academic year 2016/17 not yet published</li> <li>National all-schools figure was 48.6 in 2015/16 academic year.</li> <li>Please note that scoring for GCSEs has changed this year so outcomes will not be directly comparable.</li> </ul>
<b>PG26</b> : Raise progress 8 – scores of pupils at the end of KS4	Strategic	2020 Tracker	-0.03	-	-0.15 (2015/16)	N/A	<ul> <li>No change since last report, academic year 2016/17 not yet published</li> <li>Service Director monitors performance of individual Secondary schools and brokers support where necessary</li> </ul>
PG27 Attainment Gap: Reduce the gap between Attainment 8 and Progress 8 scores of disadvantaged pupils/disadvantaged peers at KS4	Equality	To be agreed	follov public	reviewed ving 1st cation of lata	-14.6 (2015/16)	N/A	No change since last report, academic year 2016/17 not yet published  Service Director monitors performance of individual Secondary schools and brokers support where necessary
PG27 Progress 8 Gap: Reduce the gap between Attainment 8 and Progress 8 scores of disadvantaged pupils/disadvantaged peers at KS4	Equality	To be agreed	follov	reviewed ving 1st cation of lata	-0.71 (2015/16)	N/A	<ul> <li>No change since last report, academic year 2016/17 not yet published</li> <li>Service Director monitors performance of individual Secondary schools and brokers support where necessary</li> </ul>

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PG28a: Attainment of vulnerable children. Raise progress 8 scores of Looked after Children at the end of KS4	Equality	2020 Tracker	0	-	-1.38 (2015/16)	N/A	<ul> <li>Academic year 2016/17 not yet published</li> <li>National figure was -1.46 for academic year 2015/16</li> <li>Service Director monitors performance of individual Secondary schools and brokers support where necessary</li> <li>Virtual School Head monitors progress of young people and the PEPs which are written to support them</li> </ul>
PG28b: Raise the Progress 8 scores of vulnerable children - children on Free School Meals (FSM)	Equality	2020 Tracker	0	-	-0.72 (2015/16)	N/A	<ul> <li>Academic year 2016/17 not yet published</li> <li>National gap was -0.57 in academic year 2015/16</li> <li>Service Director monitors performance of individual Secondary schools and brokers support where necessary</li> </ul>
PG28c: Raise the Progress 8 scores of vulnerable children - children with Special Educational Needs (SEN)	Equality	2020 Tracker	0	-	-0.24 (SEN Support 2015/16) -1.26 (SEN statement 2015/16)	N/A	<ul> <li>No change since last report, academic year 2016/17 not yet published</li> <li>Service Director monitors performance of individual Secondary schools and brokers support where necessary.</li> <li>Teams of consultants support schools and individual young people to improve.</li> </ul>

Table 2, Early Help – Val Hall, Service Director

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Indicator	Objective	Туре	2020	17/18	Performance	of Travel	Comments and Actions
PG17: Reduce NEET rate (% not in education, training or employment as a proportion of 16-18 year olds)	Strategic	2020 Tracker	4.8%	-	4.8%	Improved	<ul> <li>Performance relates to June 2017</li> <li>There has been a slight improvement in NEET reflecting success in contacting 'Not Known' young people</li> <li>Gateshead remains below the Tyne and Wear and National figures, with the combined NEET and Not Known figure falling from 5.3% to 4.8%</li> </ul>
<b>LW3</b> : The number of eligible 2 year olds accessing their free early learning place)	Equality	2020 Tracker	To be agreed	85%	73%	Declined	<ul> <li>Awaiting final head-count data from providers so performance likely to increase</li> <li>Revised process for engaging with families on the list supplied by the DWP to encourage take up.</li> <li>Monitor sufficiency of places due to the introduction of the extended entitlement for 3 and 4 year olds.</li> </ul>
<b>LW7</b> : Work with families– National Troubled Families Programme - Number of families engaged by Families Gateshead	Equality	2020 Tracker	1930 fa	milies	1707 families allocated to Families Gateshead under Phase 2	Improved	<ul> <li>As at 30/09/17 there have been 1707 families allocated under Phase 2 of the Troubled Families programme</li> <li>PBR has been claimed for 537 families. The payment recognises where families have made significant and sustained progress against areas of identified need</li> <li>As of 30th September 2017 Gateshead has achieved 28% of the overall target</li> </ul>
LW14a: Support for young carers	Equality	2020 Tracker	85	-	71 referrals	Declined	<ul> <li>Performance covers the period April to September 17</li> <li>The councils commissioning service monitors the contract for the Young Carers Assessment Service, provided by the Carers Trust Tyne &amp; Wear (formerly Crossroads)</li> <li>Gateshead Council are to share information on Children's Centres and Schools to help the Carers Trust deliver training for Age 5-7yrs.</li> </ul>
LW29: First Time Entrants into youth justice system aged 10-17 (12 month lag PNC Rate per 100,000 of Population 10-17 yr. olds Rolling 12 Month)	Strategic	2020 Tracker	398 per 100k (70 FTE)	-	437 per 100k (74 FTE)	Declined	<ul> <li>Performance relates to Apr-Mar 2016/17</li> <li>This is higher than the Northumbria PCC regional average (411) and the England average (321) of FTE per 100,000 population</li> </ul>
<b>LW30</b> : Custody – Use of custody rate per 1000 of 10-17 years population	Strategic	2020 Tracker	Mainta numb young p	er of	0.18 per 1k (3 custodial sentences)	Improved	<ul> <li>The latest YJB published data for Jul 2016 - Jun 2017 shows the 12 monthly rate of custody for Gateshead at 0.18 per 1000 10-17 year olds</li> <li>This is below the Northumbria PCC regional average for</li> </ul>

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							this period (0.27) and also below the national average (0.36)

Table 3, Public Health – Alice Wiseman, Service Director

Indicator	Objective	Target	Tarç	get	Most Recent	Direction	Comments and Actions
Indicator	Objective	Type	2020	17/18	Performance	of Travel	Comments and Actions
<b>LW2</b> : % of mothers smoking at the time of delivery (Rate of smoking at time of delivery per 100 maternities)	Strategic	2020 Tracker	9.9%	-	13.2% (2015/16)	Improved	<ul> <li>No change since last report, 2016/17 data not available</li> <li>A major programme to embed NICE guidance to help midwives raise the issue and refer women to stop smoking services through the babyClear initiative has doubled quitting rates and received national acclaim</li> <li>Work is currently underway to re-establish a referral pathway for midwives to refer women to local stop smoking services</li> <li>While these improvements are significant, they have been hard won. The babyClear model isn't consistently applied and will require continued 'servicing' to maintain progress.</li> </ul>
<b>LW4a</b> : Reduce Excess weight 4-5 year olds - excess weight =obese/overweight	Strategic	2020 Tracker	18.1%	-	22.0% (2016/17)	Improved	<ul> <li>Gateshead has the lowest prevalence of excess weight amongst reception children since 2012/13.</li> <li>A research project was commissioned to explore engaging communities to address childhood obesity in areas with high levels of health inequalities. Provisional findings are now available.     Work with Public Health England and Newcastle University's Open Lab is taking place to progress regional plans for an outdoor initiative focusing on a "Outdoor App" to allow Children &amp; families to find out more about and access to green spaces, parks and cycling/walking routes in local areas</li> </ul>
LW4b: Reduce excess weight 10-11 yr. olds (excess weight =Obese/overweight	Strategic	2020 Tracker	25%	-	38.5% (2016/17)	Declined	<ul> <li>Excess weight levels amongst Year 6 children have increased from 37.9% in 15/16 to 38.5% in 16/17. This is the highest level of excess weight in year 6 since 2009/10.</li> <li>Please see LW4a for other actions.</li> </ul>
<b>LW16</b> : Hospital admissions for self-harm rate per100,000 (aged 10-24 years)	Equality	2020 Tracker	Reduce	Redu ce	544.9 per 100k (2015/16)	Declined	<ul> <li>No change on previous report, latest data not available until March 2018</li> <li>Gateshead has the 2nd highest rate of admissions per 100,000 for those aged 10-24 for self-harm in the North East</li> </ul>
<b>PG20</b> : Reduce the % of children in low income families (children in poverty)	Strategic	2020 Tracker	18.5%	-	22.2% (2014 period)	Declined	<ul> <li>No change on previous report, 2015 data not available</li> <li>Increase in the % of children in low income families</li> <li>Efforts to tackle child poverty are being focused on financial inclusion – working with credit unions,</li> </ul>

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							<ul> <li>enforcement activity and prevalence of high interest loans</li> <li>Mitigate the impact of welfare reforms, supporting young people into education, employment and training, frontline support and advice via children's centres and other initiatives through the Employment and Enterprise Growth and Job Centre Plus to get people into work</li> </ul>

Table 4, Children & Families – Elaine Devaney, Service Director

Table 4, Children & Families – Elan		Target	Tar	get	Most Recent	RAG /	0
Indicator	Objective	Type	2020	17/18	Performance	DOT	Comment and Actions
<b>LW6</b> : Numbers of children subject to a child protection plan	Strategic	2020 Tracker	54 per 10k	58 per 10k	70.4 per 10k	Improved	<ul> <li>Notable reduction in the latest period, with numbers of children subject to a Child Protection Plan reducing from 312 to 285</li> <li>Development of a Complex Child in Need team and Rapid Response Team (to work out of hours) has started with an aim to support families and prevent escalation to Child Protection Plans or becoming looked after, therefore helping to reduce numbers</li> <li>Work is ongoing to improve plans through training sessions being delivered before Christmas to targeted staff groups, based on learning from a themed audit currently being undertaken and due for report at the end of October.</li> </ul>
LW8: Ensure young people leaving care and homeless are supported to have a safe place to live, appropriate and sustainable accommodation	Equality	2020 Tracker	100%	100%	98.5%	Improved	<ul> <li>Performance covers the period April to September 17</li> <li>The Care Leavers Accommodation and Support Panel bring services together and form a joint response to the accommodation needs of care leavers.</li> <li>This initiative is proving to be very successful and was shortlisted for a Local Government Award in March 2017</li> </ul>
<b>LW9</b> : Ensure young people leaving care are supported to be in education, employment, apprenticeships and training	Equality	2020 Tracker	71%	71%	50.8%	Improved	<ul> <li>Performance covers the period April to September 17</li> <li>Care leavers who are not in employment, education or training are monitored closely by the service.</li> <li>There has been increased partnership working between the Looked After Children &amp; Young People (LAC &amp; YP) Service, REALAC, Connexions and the Youth Support Services</li> <li>The Education, Employment and Training (EET) panel was set up in 2015 and is chaired by the LAC and YP service. The panel looks at all LAC and YP from the age of 15 and identifies gaps in EET to ensure additional support and resources are identified.</li> </ul>
PG10: Equality Target: Ensure young people leaving care are supported to have an opportunity in the Council for an apprenticeship	Strategic	To be reviewed		To be re	viewed		<ul> <li>In August 2017 a number of directors pledged to offer apprenticeships to Care Leavers.</li> <li>In addition the service advertising an apprenticeship for a care leaver to work with Chris Hulme (Children's Rights Officer).</li> <li>The advert is going out in October with interviews</li> </ul>

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							scheduled for November, with the aim of a planned start
							date of January 2018.