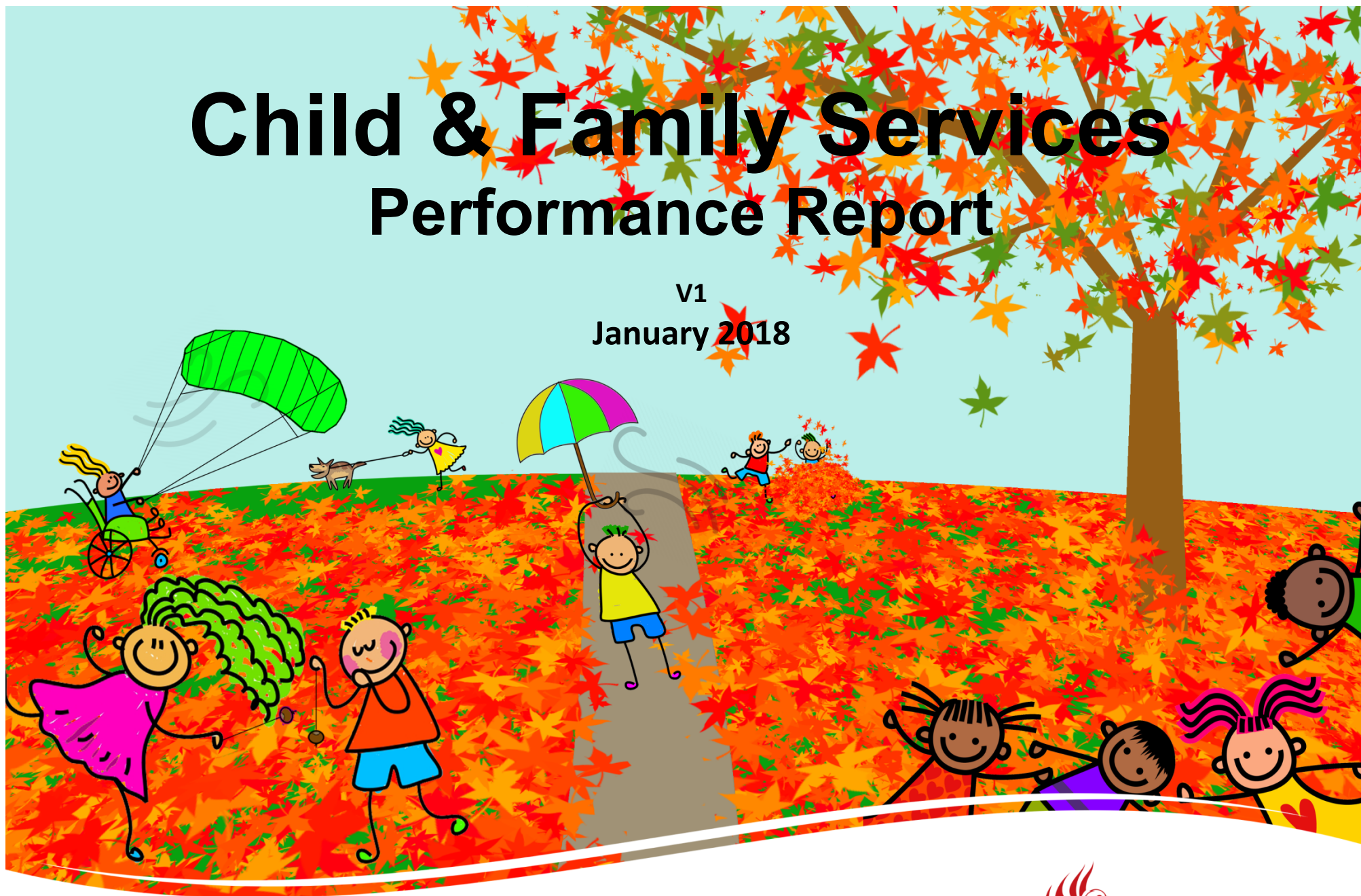


Child & Family Services Performance Report

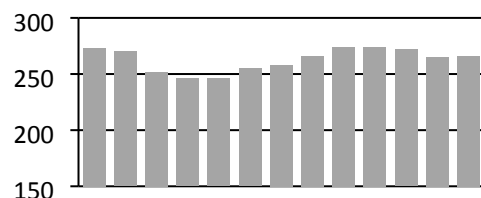
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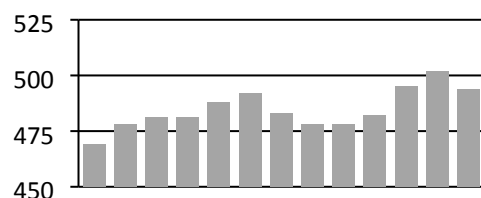
Where we are – at a glance...

There are **266** (265) Children
on the Child Protection Register



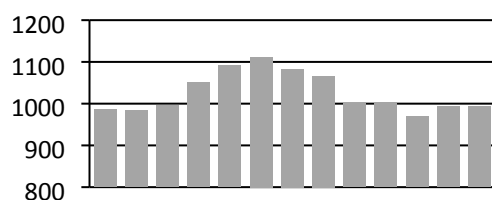
This is an increase of 1 from last month.

There are **494** (502) Looked After Children



This is an **decrease of 8** from last month.

There are **994** (994) Children in
Need of Care and Support



This is the same as last month.

Foreword from Head of Service – Julie Thomas

This is the first report for 2018 and generally it provides a healthy picture of performance within CFS. There are a number of significant improvements around assessment activity, with 100% of our assessments demonstrating that children were seen and a high number were seen alone. This is a real indication of the success of the SOS practice framework with children being placed at the centre of everything we do. There is some indication that the preparation work for the redesign launch in March is making progress, particularly around the closure of CINCS cases. All children subject to a CP plan and those children who are experiencing care are allocated to a qualified worker. Performance in the reviewing service, previously an area of concern, is making impressive improvement. Activity around the CP process is high, however an audit of this activity will be available in March to help us understand the reasons behind the figures and to help us make the necessary adjustments. There has been a rise in the number of children being registered under the category of emotional harm.

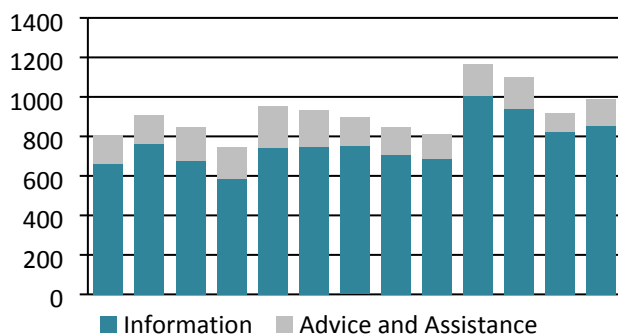
Whilst the number of looked after children has decreased this month, with more children returning home, there is further work to do in this area and the new edge of care panel and edge of care service will be crucial to retaining a focus of the safe LAC reduction strategy. We are however maintaining the majority of children in family settings. The number of children placed in residential care has reduced however unfortunately more are being placed further afield.

The trend in supervision in some of the case managing teams is unusual and will require investigation.

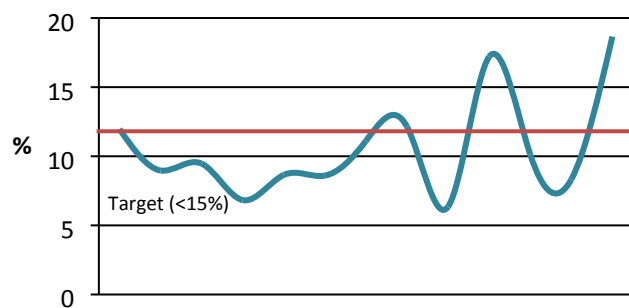
A good start to the year and a very belated Happy New Year! I am looking forward to launching the reclaiming SW model in March and reviewing the Improvement Programme. We have accomplished a tremendous amount of work in this area and we are looking forward to seeing the impact of these improvements on the situation for our staff and in achieving better outcomes for children.

Front Door – January 2018

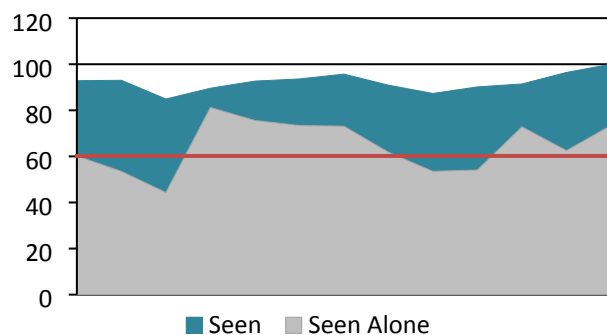
Approaches to the Service - Last 12 Months



Re-Referrals- Last 12 Months



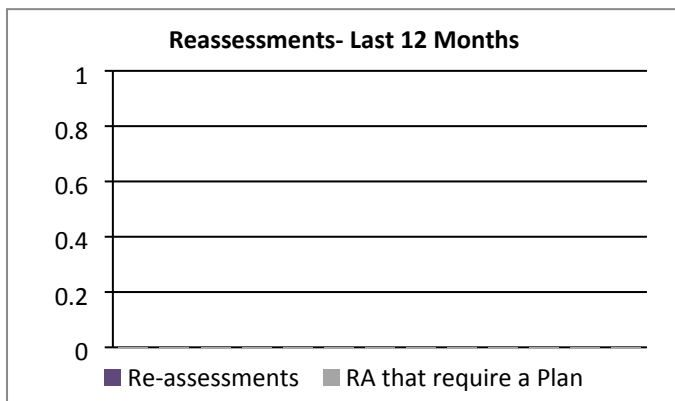
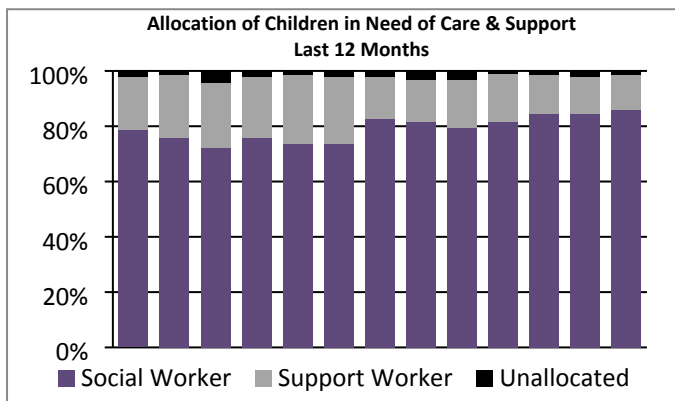
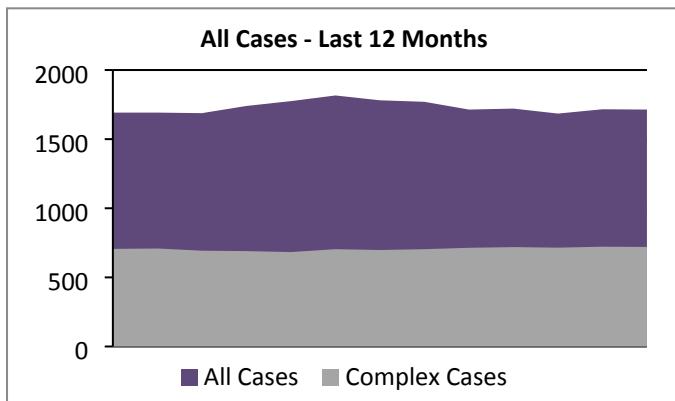
Children Seen at Assessment- Last 12 Months



Measure	Status (and Target)
We received 134 referrals to Child & Family Services (96)	☹️
Number of repeat referrals = 25, 18.66% (8, 8.33%)	☹️ (<15%)
86.44% (89.53%) of all contacts to the service were helped by providing information .	☹️
We carried out 13 (17) 10 day assessments	☹️
76.92% (94.12%) of these assessments were carried out within 10 days	☹️ (93%)
We carried out 81 (78) 42 day assessments	☹️
82.72% (80.77%) of these assessments were carried out within 42 days.	☹️ (90%)
100% (96.43%) of our assessments carried out where there is evidence that the child was seen by a qualified worker	😊 (>90%)
73.47% (62.50%) of our assessments carried out where it was appropriate to see the child alone, there is evidence that the child was seen alone by a qualified worker	😊 (>45%)

What's working well?	What are we worried about?	What do we need to do?
Timeliness of 42 day assessments Exceeded target on child seen and seen alone.	High level of re referrals Activity around 10 day assessments High numbers of 42 day assessments	Request report for weekly review meeting around re referral rate. Performance Hub to support decision making around assessment timescales.

Supported Care Planning – January 2018

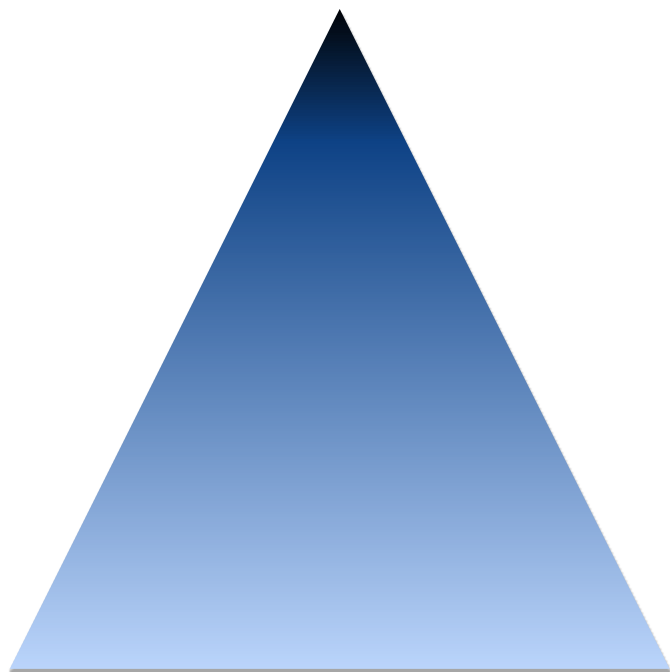


Measure	Status (and Target)
We are currently managing 1714 cases of children in need of care and support (1716)	☹️
Of these 42.01% (42.07%) represent complex cases in need of intensive support.	☹️
12.88% (13.08%) of Children in Need of Care and Support allocated to unqualified workers.	☺️ (20%)
XX.XX% (XX.XX%) of children having assessments in the month had been assessed within the previous 12 months.	☹️ (<15%)
XX.XX% (XX.XX%) of these led to a new care and support plan.	☹️
XX.XX% of (XX.XX%) reviews of children in need of care and support took place within defined timescales.	☹️ (>85%)
4 days (4 days) The average length of time to allocated.	☹️
XXX days (XXX days) The average length of time for 3+ month CINCS cases.	☹️
We closed 122 (83) cases in the month.	☹️
We are currently managing 277 (278) cases under a Special Guardianship or Child Arrangement Order	☹️

What's working well?	What are we worried about?	What do we need to do?
Increase in case closures	Still high levels of CINCS cases	CINCS project to progress and monitor safe closure of cases in line with Redesign plan.

Child Protection Summary – January 2018

Child Protection Process

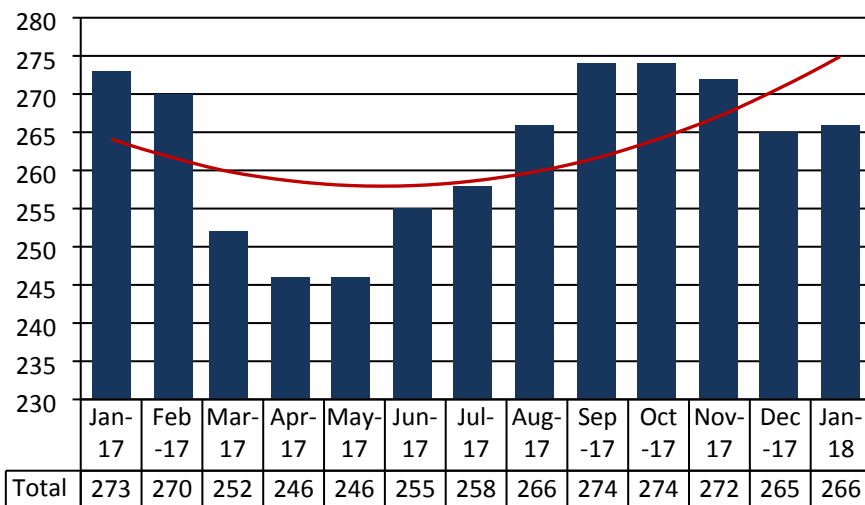


Measure	Result (Prev Month)	Status (Target)
The number of children added to the Child Protection Register in the period.	45 (34)	☹️
The number of children removed from the Child Protection Register in the period.	44 (41)	☹️
The percentage of initial conferences held in timescales in the period.	100% (100%)	😊 (98.5%)
The percentage of review conferences held in timescales in the period.	100% (98.57%)	😊 (98.5%)
The percentage of initial Core Group meetings held within timescales in the period.	[REDACTED]	😊 (90%)
The percentage of children on the Child Protection Register that have been registered previously .	[REDACTED] (26.41%)	☹️ (<20%)
The length of time on the Child Protection register for those removed during the month.	247 (223) Days	☹️
% of visits to Children placed on the Child Protection Register which are not overdue	49.25% (59.16%)	☹️ (90%)
The percentage of children on the Child Protection Register that are allocated to a qualified Social Worker at the end of the period.	100% (100%)	😊 (100%)

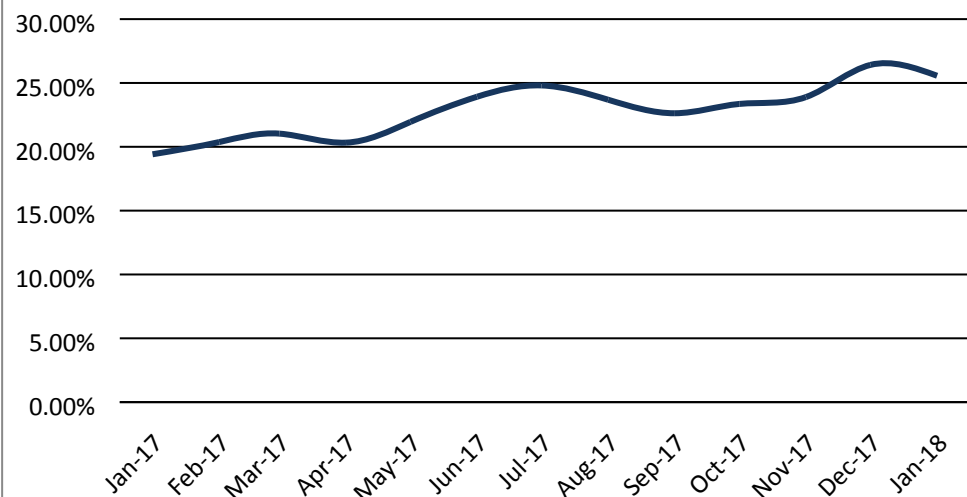
What's Working Well?	What are we Worried About?	What do we Need to do?
<p>Performance exceeded target in timescales for initial, review conferences and core group meetings</p> <p>The length of time children are subject to a CP plan is within the 7-9 month target</p> <p>All children subject to a CP plan are allocated to a qualified worker</p>	<p>High level of CP activity</p> <p>Re- registration numbers still relatively high</p> <p>Recording of statutory visits unresolved</p>	<p>Activity and decision making subject to audit – report available March 2018</p> <p>Performance Hub to support work in this area</p>

Child Protection – Additional Data – January 2018

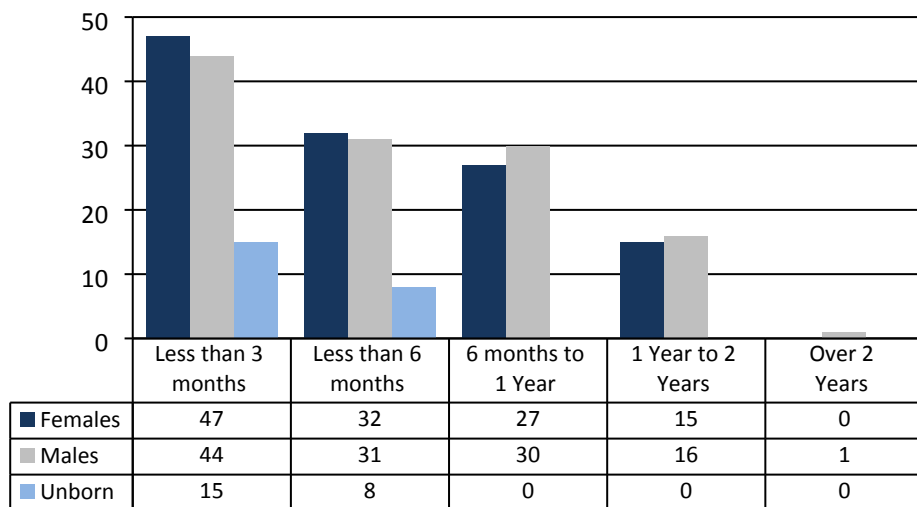
Child Protection Register Population - Last 12 Months



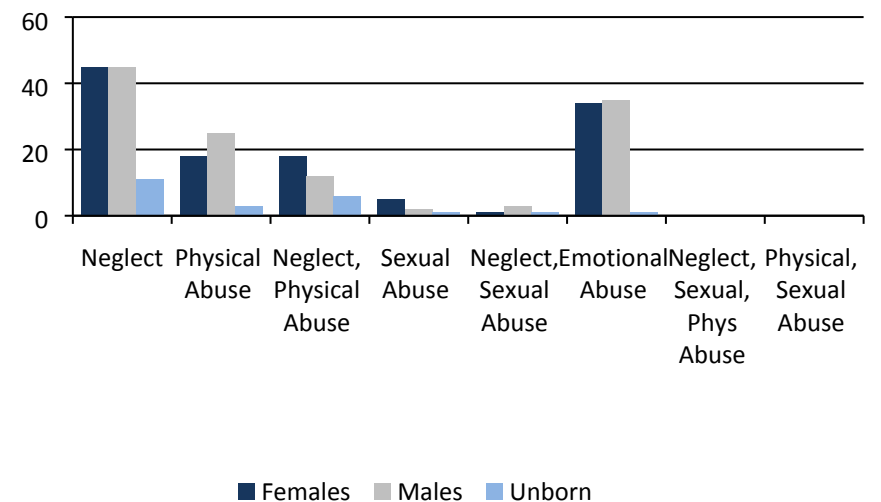
Child Protection Re-Registrations- Last 12 Months



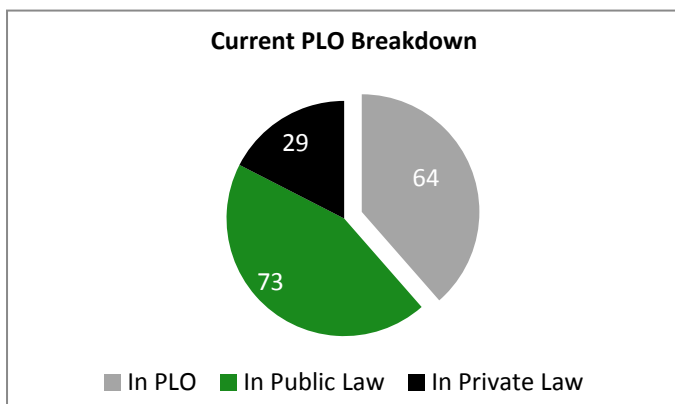
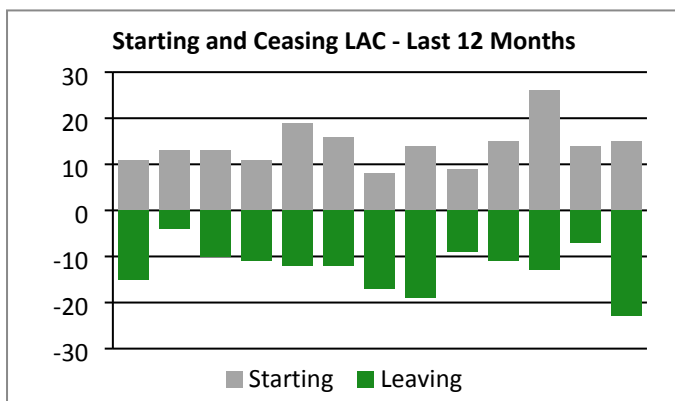
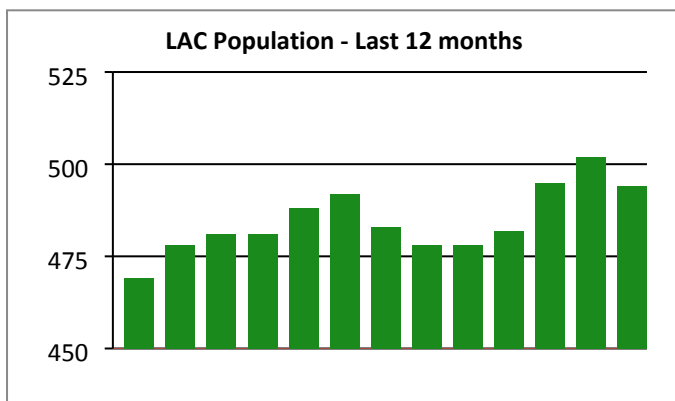
Child Protection Register - Time Registered by Gender



Child Protection Register - Category by Gender



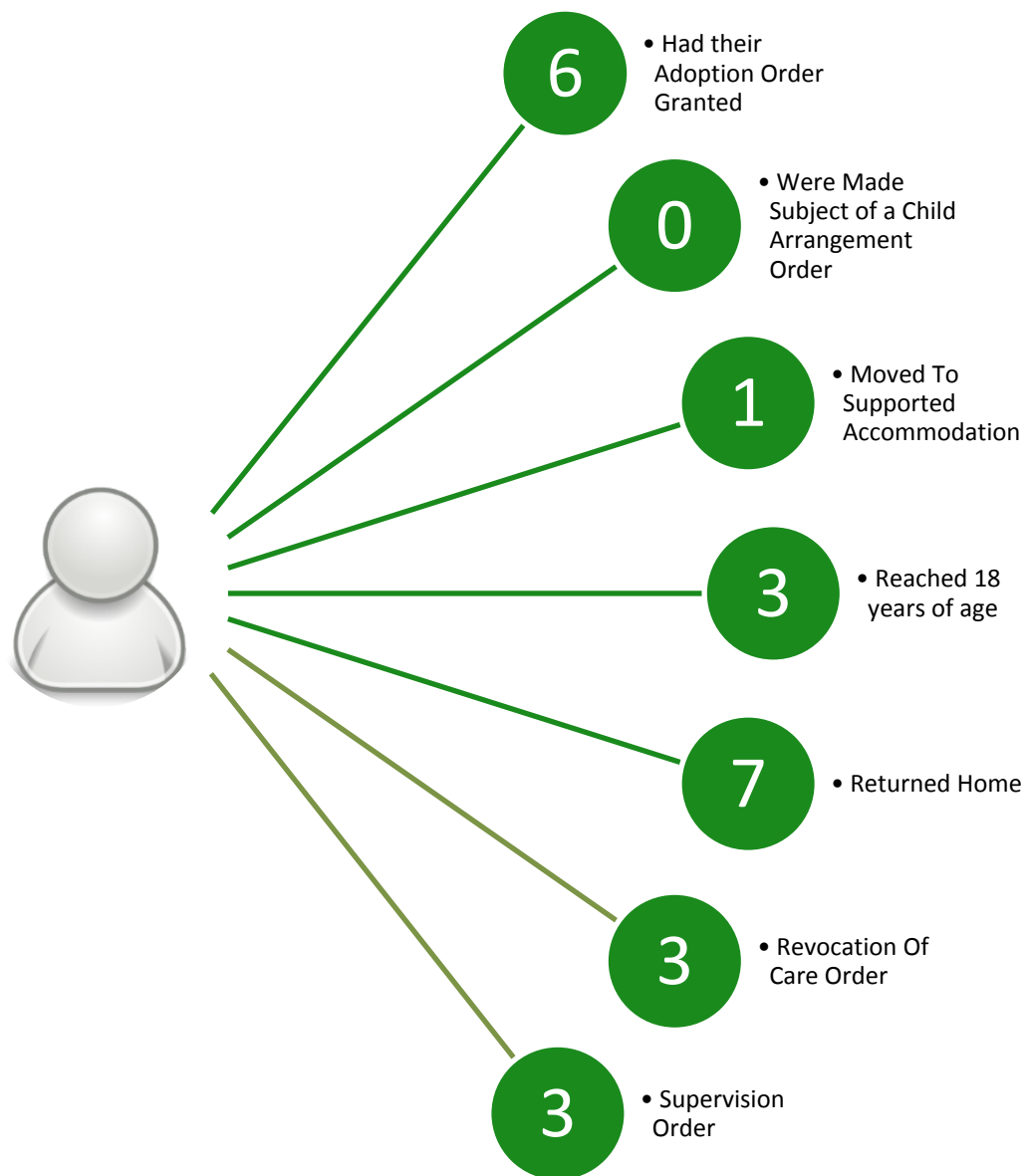
Looked After Children – January 2018



Measure	Status (and Target)
15 (14) became looked after during the month.	☹️
23 (7) ceased to be looked after during the month.	☹️
At the end of the month there were 494 (502) looked after children.	☹️
100% (100%) looked after children had a completed Care and Support Plan within 10 days of becoming looked after.	😊
We carried out 139 (83) LAC Reviews. 92.09% (98.80%) of these were completed within statutory timescales.	☹️
16, 94.12% (8, 80%) of 4 month LAC reviews which had a Plan for Permanence.	☹️
8, 88.89% (0, 0%) of number of PEPs received within prescribed timescales.	😊
28.80% (33.93%) of LAC Statutory Visits due in the month were overdue.	☹️ (10%)
100% (100%) of LAC cases were allocated to a qualified Social Worker.	😊 (100%)
PLO Breakdown: <div> PLO Initiated: 64 (60) Cases In Public Law Proceedings: 73 (75) Cases In Private Law Proceedings: 29 (34) Cases </div>	-

What's working well?	What are we worried about?	What do we need to do?
A high level of children ceased to be LAC Numbers of LAC decreasing All children have a care and support plan in place Slight improvement around recording LAC statutory visits 100% of LAC allocated to a qualified worker	Still relatively high numbers of children entering the system Performance around planning for permanence requires improvement Performance around timeliness of LAC reviews decreased slightly	New Edge of Care Panel and Edge of Care Service initiated from April 1 st 2018 Reviewing service to work with PH managers around planning and address timeliness of reviews.

Children Leaving Care in January 2018 – Destination



What's working well?

Seven children returned home safely
 Six children achieved permanence through adoption
 Evidence of sound care planning within the Court system

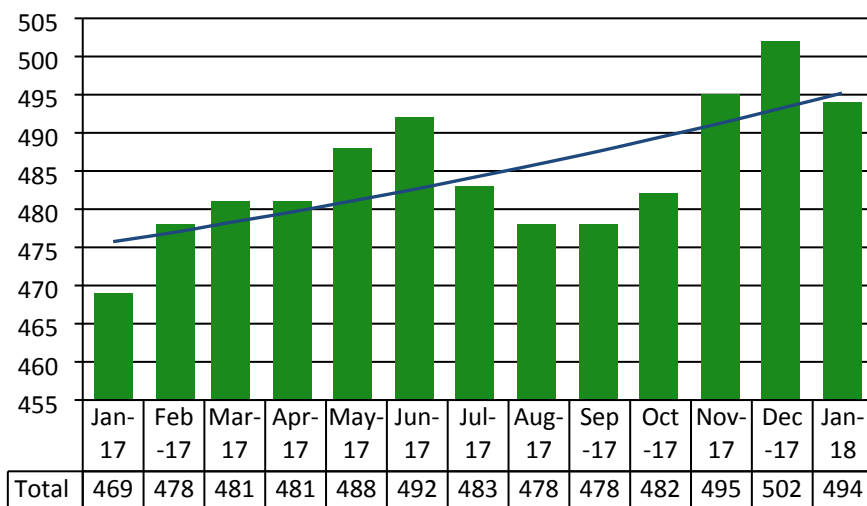
What are we worried about?

What do we need to do?

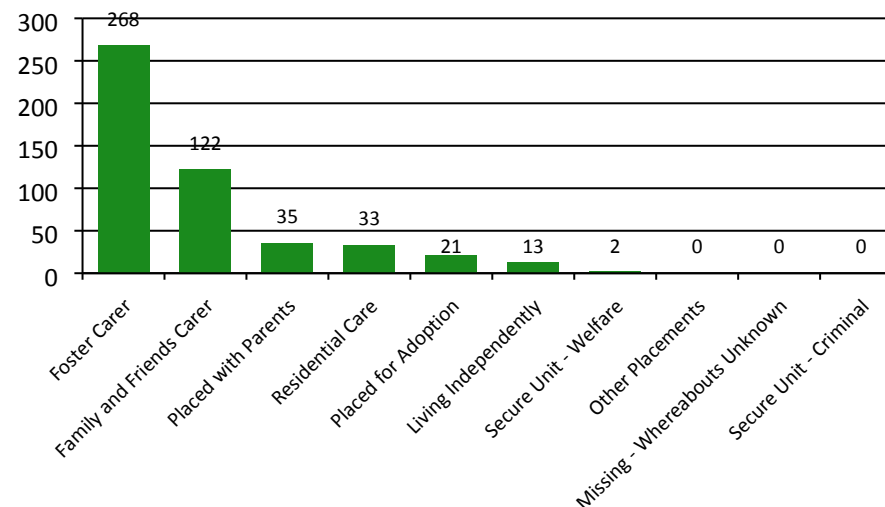
We need to know the destination of young people who have reached 18years old

Looked After Children – Additional Data – January 2018

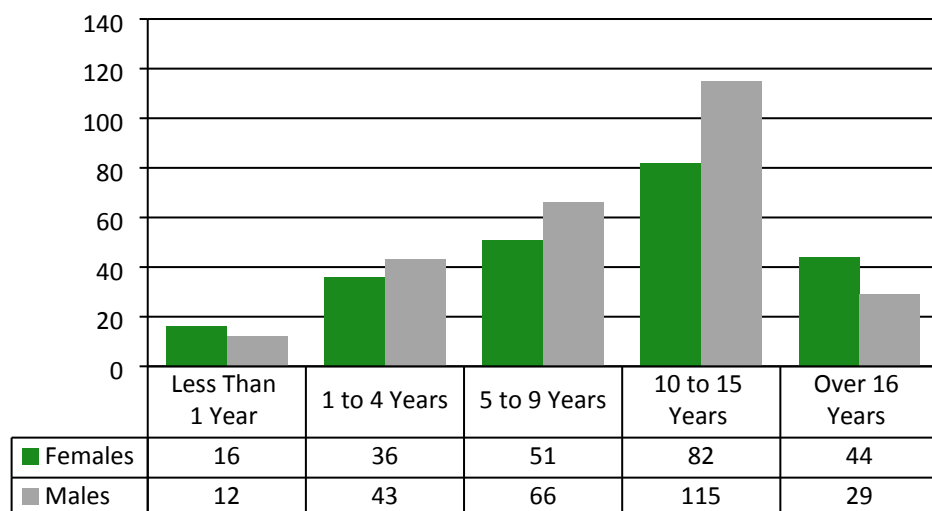
Looked After Children Population - Last 12 Months



Looked After Children - Current Placement Types

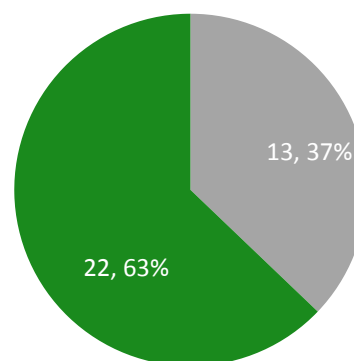


Looked After Children - Current Age and Gender



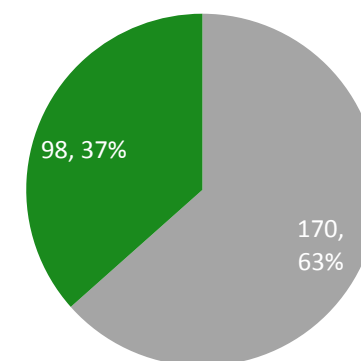
Looked After Children Population - Residential Care Geography

■ In County ■ Out of County

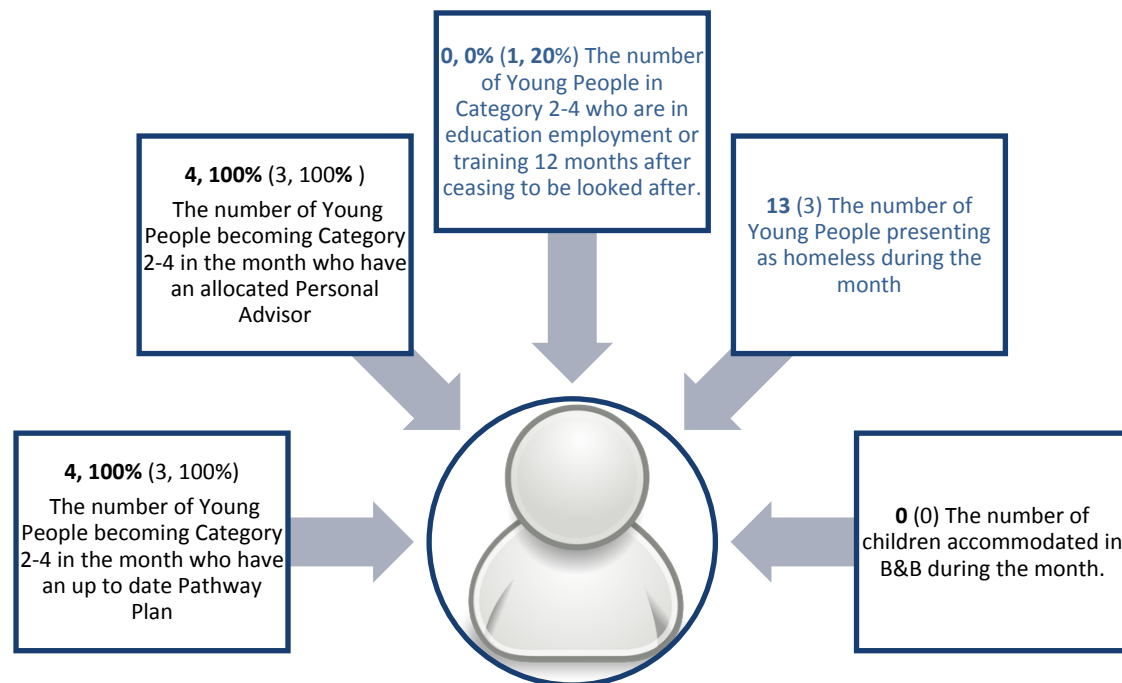


Looked After Children Population - Fostering Split

■ Foster Swansea ■ IFA



Young People Transitioning to Adulthood – January 2018



Young People by Leaving Care Category		Number	
Category 1	Aged 16 or 17 and looked after	72	(69)
Category 2	Aged 16 or 17, not looked after, previously Category 1	9	(8)
Category 3	Aged 18+, previously Category 1 or Category 2	159	(156)
Category 4	Reconnecting to Care Leaver services	11	(11)
Category 5	Children who left care under a Special Guardianship Order	16	(14)
Category 6	Other formerly accommodated children who may be entitled to advice and support	30	(31)

What's working well?

No young people were placed in B&B accommodation during the month

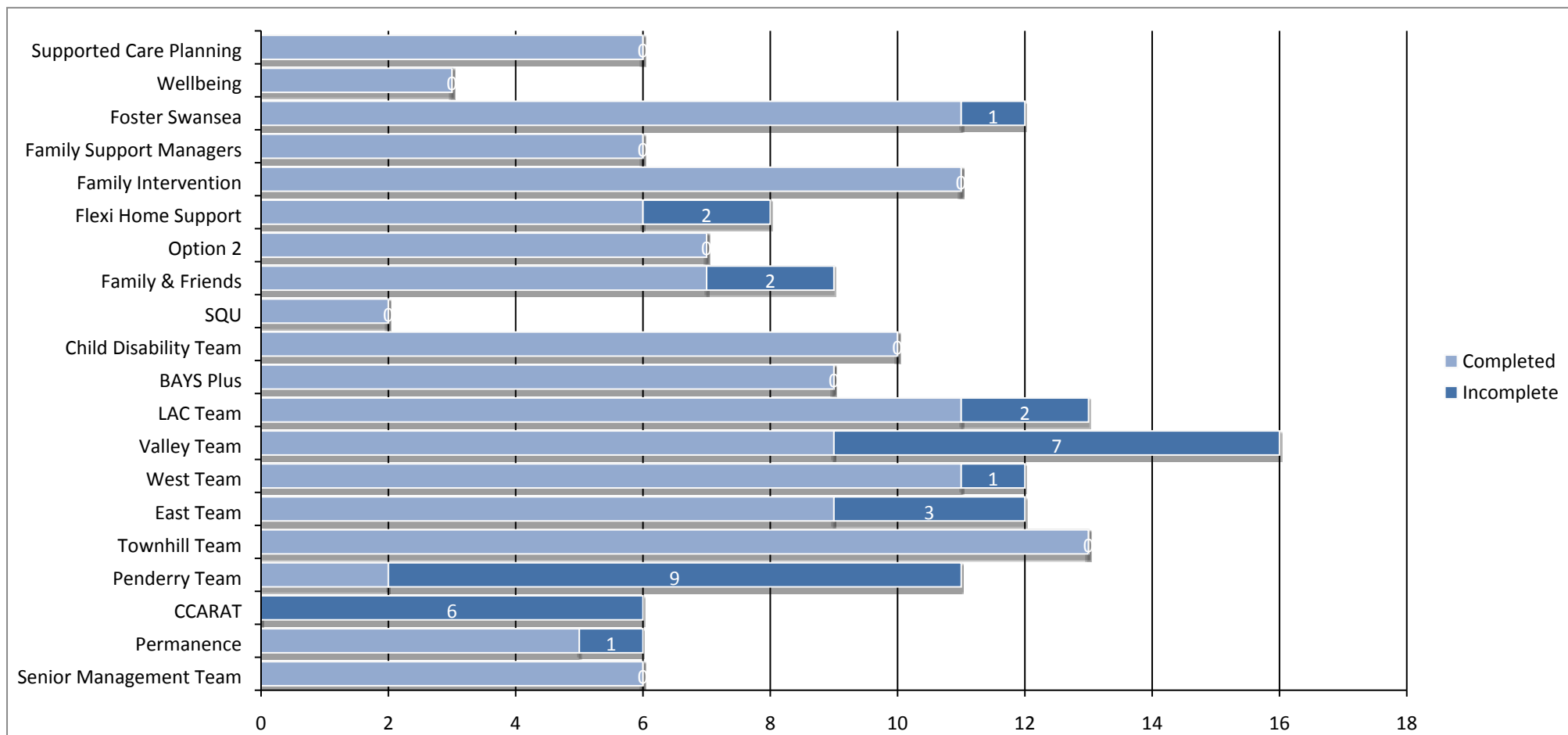
What are we worried about?

High number of young people presenting as homeless
Slight decrease in performance around YPA allocation and Pathway Plans

What do we need to do?

We need to understand the outcome for yp presenting as homeless.
WG grant fund being used to recruit two additional YPA's

Staff Supervision – January 2018



What's Working Well?

What are we Worried About?

What do we Need to do?

Significant underperformance in supervision activity for Penderry (second month), Valley and CCARAT

HOS requested further information and confirmation that supervisions are now up to date.

