



Corporate Parenting Report

June 2016

Children Looked After

Activity to end of April 2016

Key Indicators to end of March 2016 (provisional outturns)

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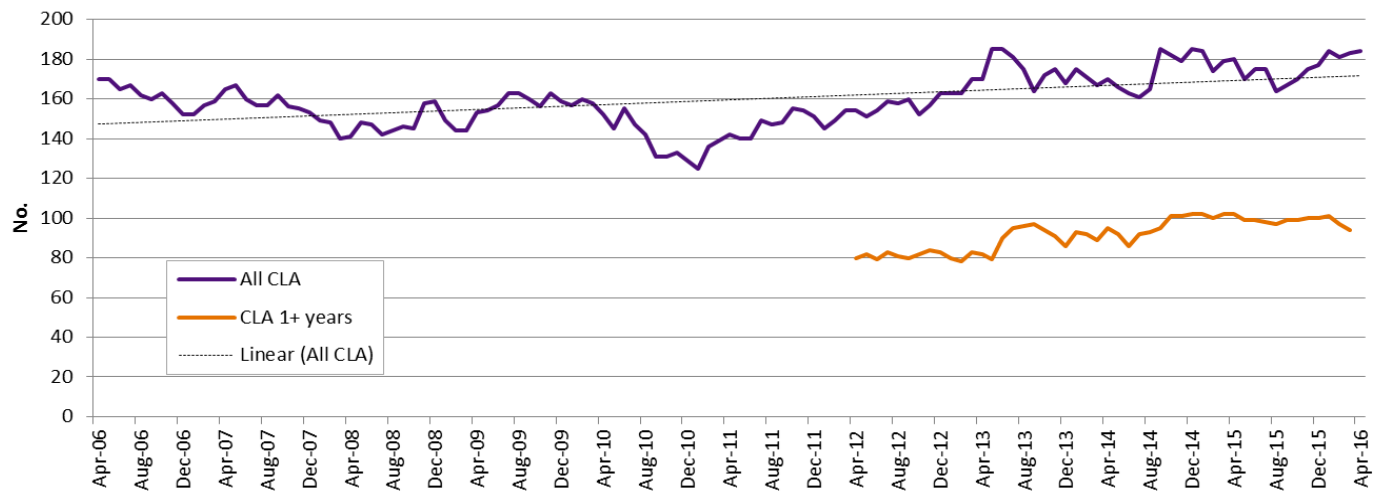
Part A – Key Performance Indicators for children looked after

PI Ref	PI Description	England average 14/15	Statistical Neighbours Average 14/15	Harrow 12/13	Harrow 13/14	Harrow 14/15	Harrow 15/16 (provisional)
14	Rate of CLA per 10,000 population. Measured Quarterly. (snapshot)	60.0	41.2	31.0	30.0	29.0	32.3
15	% of New CLA who were previously adopted, had a Special Guardianship Order (SGO) or residence order granted	Not published			0.7	0.00	0.7
16	CLA placement stability: number of moves (% with 2+ moves) Target - 11%	10.0	12.1	16.0	10.0	8.0	8.5
17	CLA placement stability: length of placement (%) Target - 71%	68.0	64.7	53.0	45.0	39.0	62.1
18	% of CLA placed more than 20 miles away from home (snapshot)	14.0	19.8	18.0	16.0	16.0	18.5
19	% of children who ceased to be looked after who were adopted	17.0	10.2	5.0	7.0	4.6	8.3
20	% of Care Leavers in suitable accommodation (combined for 19, 20 and 21 year olds)	81.0	81.7	80.0	95.4	88.0	90.3
21	% of Care Leavers not in education, employment or training (combined for 19, 20 and 21 year olds)	39.0	32.8	33.0	29.0	30.0	31

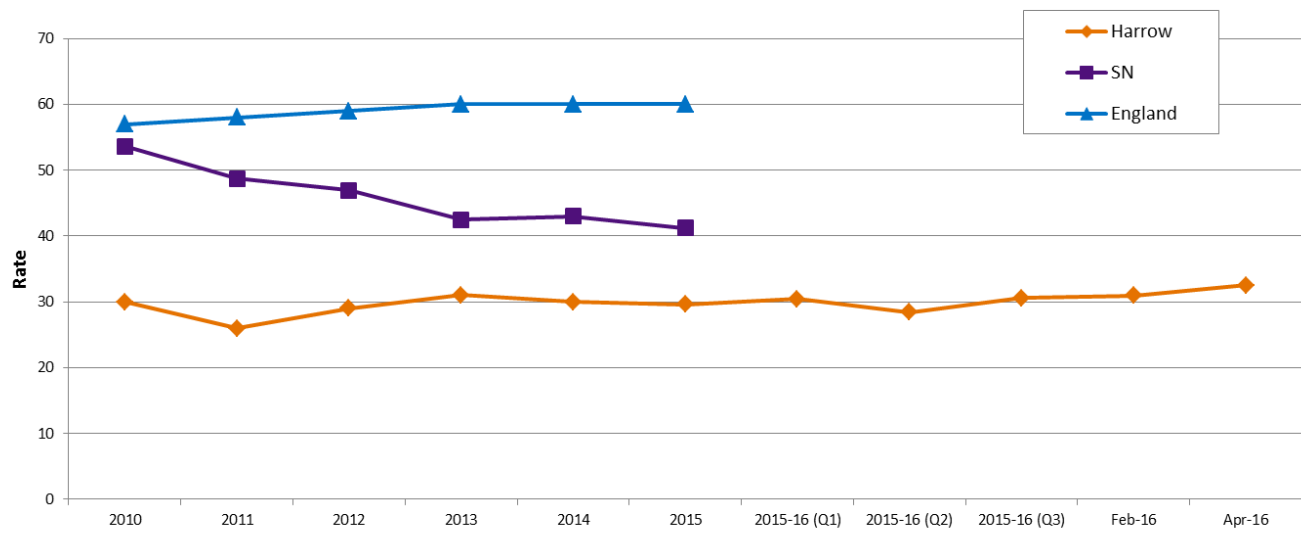
		Harrow 2013-14	England average	SN Average	Harrow 2014-15
23	Educational attainment of school aged Children (CLA)				
	Percentage of children looked After achieving at least level 4 at KS2 in Reading, writing and maths (Source DfE)	0	52.0	56.0	50.0
	Percentage of children Looked After who achieve 5+ A* -C grades at GCSE including English and mathematics.	0	18.3	26.7	0.0
24	Attendance at school of school aged Children in Need (CLA)				
	Percentage of sessions missed. (CLA 1 year+)	4.3	4.0	4.2	5.6
	Percentage classed as persistent absentees (CLA 1 year+)	supressed - low nos	4.9	4.8	supressed - low nos
25	Exclusion from school of school-aged Children in Need CLA				
	Percentage of children with at least one fixed exclusion. (CLA 1 year+)	11.4	10.25 (2013-14)	11.05 (2013-14)	17.9 (provisional)

Part B –Numbers of CLA over time

Number of CLA - the long-term trend

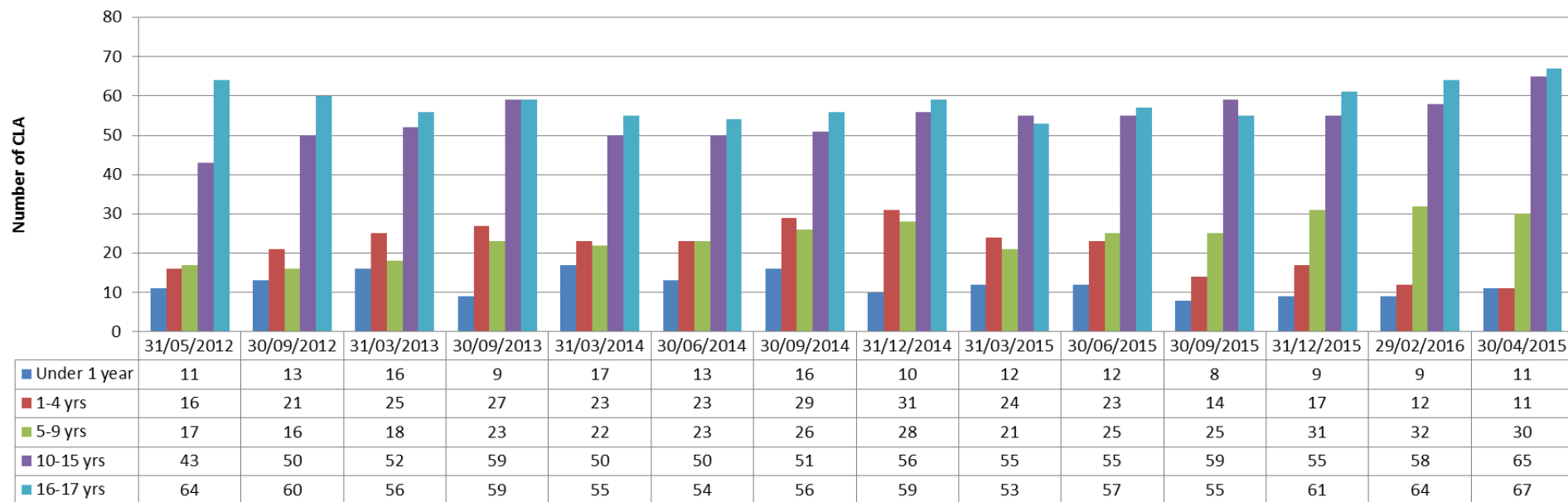


Rate of CLA per 10,000 children aged under 18



CLA numbers have remained relatively stable over the last ten years, with a trend slightly upwards, and at 30th April this year the rate per 10,000 children was 32.5 compared to 30.4 at the end of Q1 15-16. Harrow continues to have a significantly lower rate of CLA than comparators (usually around 10 per 10,000 lower). On average, just over half of all CLA have been looked after for one year or more.

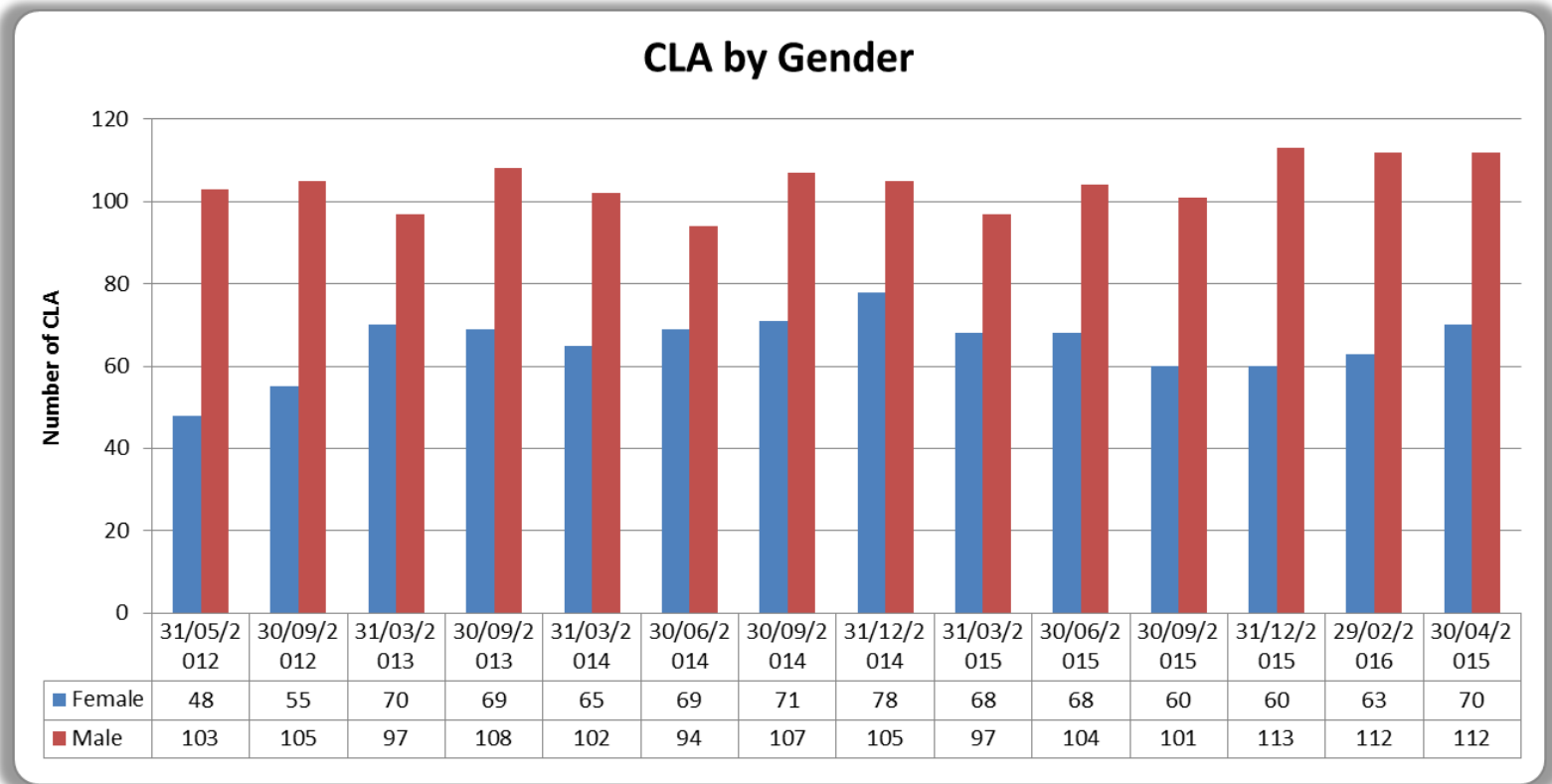
CLA by Age Group



The proportion of CLA aged between 1 and 4 years has decreased over the year, from 24 in March 2015 to 11 at the end of April 2016, or from 14.5% of all LAC to 6%. The other age groups which saw a significant change were 5 to 9 year olds and 16 to 17 year olds, which have increased.

Comparator Info. for % of age of CLA at 31/3/2015 (Source: SSSA903)	Age at 31 March 2015 (years) (%)				
	Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 15	16 -17
England	5.0	15.0	21.0	38.0	22.0
London	4.0	10.0	16.0	38.0	33.0
Stat. neighbours avg.	4.1	9.9	16.0	37.1	32.9
Harrow	7.0	15.0	13.0	33.0	32.0
Harrow Apr-16	6.0	6.0	16.3	35.3	36.4

C2 – Children looked after by gender. (Comparator info. source SSDA 903 March 2015)

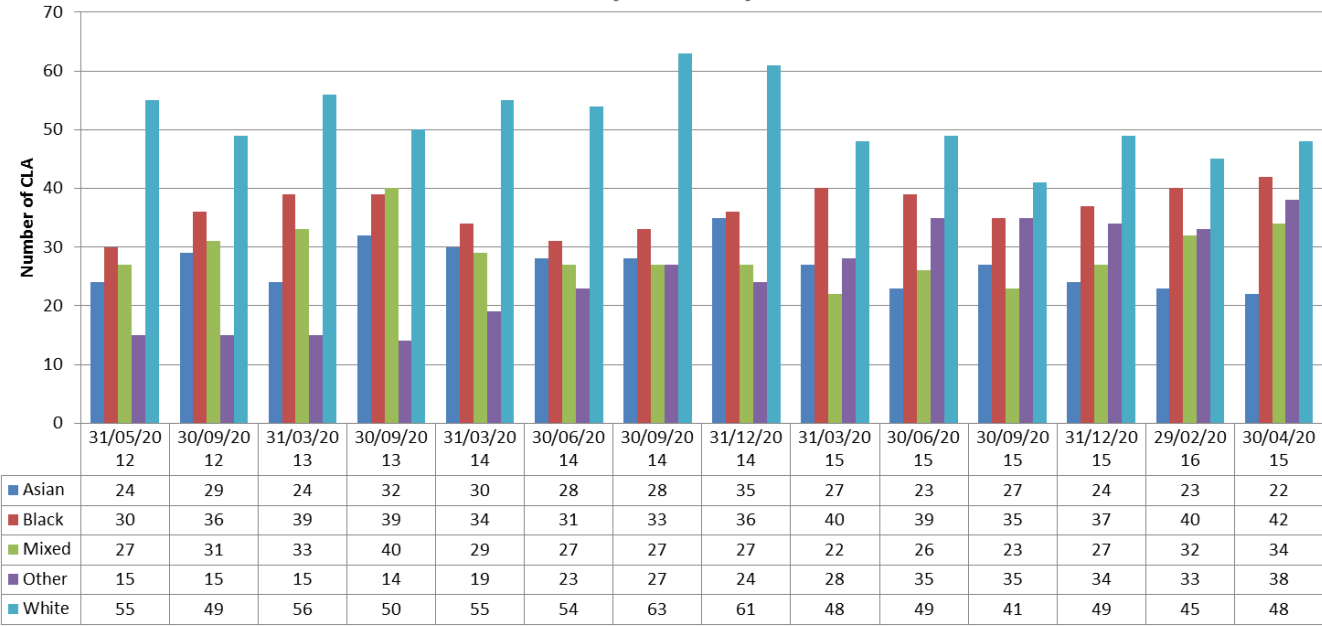


In line with comparators, London and England, Harrow historically has a higher proportion of males who are looked after and this is particularly marked from mid-2015-16 onwards.

Comparator Info. for % of gender of CLA at 31/3/2015 (Source: SSDA903)	Gender (%)	
	Male	Female
<i>England</i>	55.0	45.0
<i>London</i>	58.0	42.0
<i>Stat. neighbours avg.</i>	57.8	42.2
<i>Harrow</i>	59.0	41.0
Harrow Apr-16	60.9	38.0

C3 – Children looked after ethnicity. (Comparator info. source SSDA 903 March 2015)

CLA by Ethnicity



As would be expected of Harrow’s diverse population, the representation of Black and Minority Ethnic groups is considerably higher than England and the statistical neighbour average.

Overall just under three quarters of Harrow’s children looked after population are from BME groups.

There have been some changes in the ethnic background of our CLA population since the end of 2014-15 - the proportions of CLA in White and Asian groups has fallen, while the proportions in mixed and ‘other’ groups has increased. The proportion in Black groups has stayed relatively stable.

Comparator Info. for % of ethnicity of CLA at 31/3/2015 (Source: SSDA903)	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Other Ethnic Groups/Other
<i>England</i>	77.0	9.0	4.0	7.0	3.0
<i>London</i>	42.0	16.0	8.0	28.0	6.0
<i>Stat. neighbours avg.</i>	47.6	15.7	12.8	19.5	6.1
<i>Harrow</i>	29.0	13.0	16.0	24.0	17.0
Harrow Apr-16	26.1	18.5	12.0	22.8	20.7

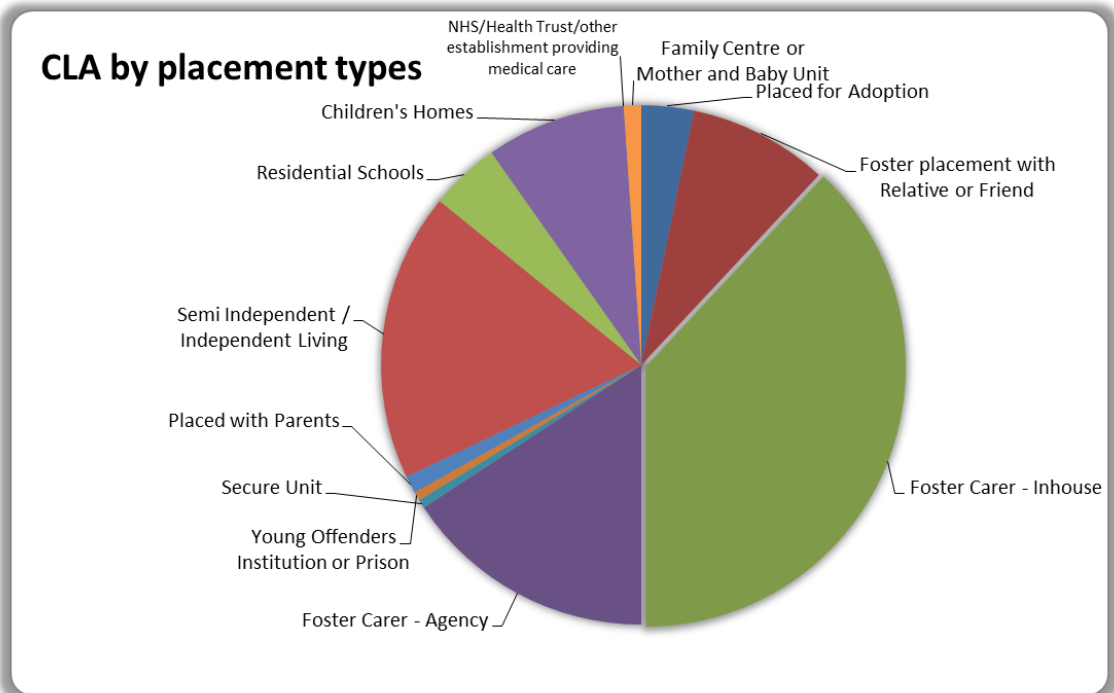
C4 – Children looked after after placement type

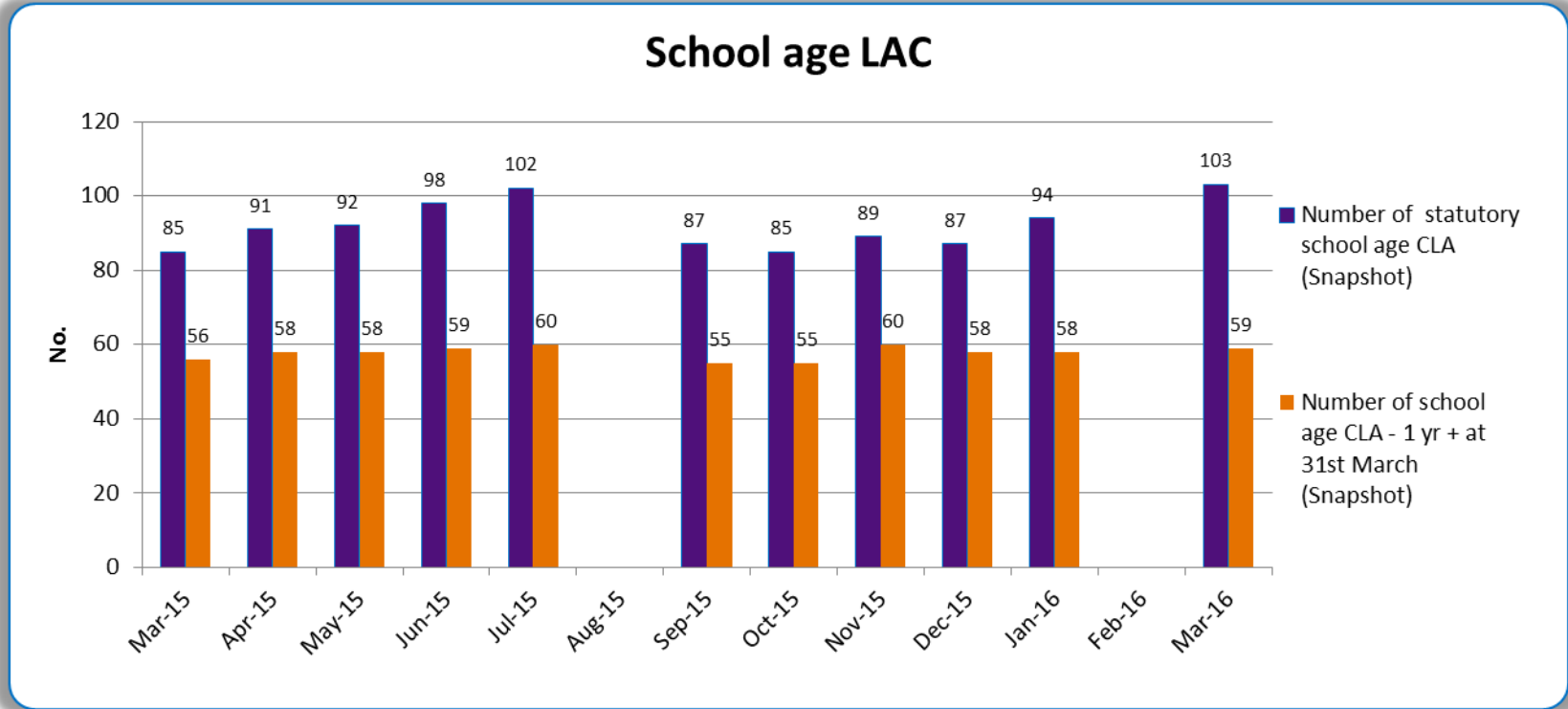
Placement Type	Dec-14	Mar-15	Jun-15	Sep-15	Dec-15	Feb-16	Apr-16
Placed for Adoption	6	7	7	7	10	9	6
Foster placement with Relative or Friend	23	17	28	22	13	13	16
Foster Carer - Inhouse	70	55	56	53	67	71	70
Foster Carer - Agency	36	43	29	30	23	20	29
Secure Unit	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Young Offenders Institution or Prison	1	2	1	1	3	3	1
Placed with Parents	0	0	2	0	4	4	2
Semi Independent / Independent Living	28	26	31	27	32	33	33
Residential Schools	7	5	5	5	4	6	8
Children's Homes	14	10	13	13	17	16	16
NHS/Health Trust/other establishment providing medical care	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Family Centre or Mother and Baby Unit	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Grand Total	185	165	172	159	173	175	184

Harrow Placement Details at 30th April 2016

The number of CLA remains fairly stable over the long term, although the number dropped slightly during September, but has begun to rise again since December. The number of CLA with agency foster carers or in in-house foster care fell back during the year but is now increasing and those placed with a relative or friend has also decreased and is now increasing, but at a slower rate. In-house placements can fluctuate as most of the emergency and short-term placements are made with in-house carers.

All placement moves are scrutinised at a panel for authorisation before they are implemented. Support packages have been developed to prevent placement breakdown.





PI Description	Mar-14	Jul-14	Dec-14	Mar-15	Jul-15	Dec-15	Mar-16
% of school age CLA (all CLA) permanently excluded this year (Sept to date)	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
% of school age CLA fixed-term excluded this year (Sept to date)	13.75	18.18	8	12.9	14.7	10.3	9.7
% absence from school (all CLA - (number of sessions missed))	9.1	9.07	11.5	11	14.2	13.4	14.6
% of CLA (all CLA) classified as persistent absentees	13.75	15.73	19.5	22.4	25.5	31	30.1
% of CLA (all school age CLA) with up to date PEP	66.27	66.19	60.9	68.2	48	49.4	57.4

At the end of March, there were 103 CLA of statutory school age being monitored by Welfare Call, 59 of whom have been looked after for over a year. No school-age LAC have been permanently excluded this academic year, while nearly one in ten had a fixed-term exclusion by the end of March. Almost 15% of sessions have been missed and nearly one in three LAC are classed as persistent absentees.

Harrow monitors all school children and not just those looked after 1 year plus.

C6 – CLA Education Data

Note that DfE indicators include only CLA who have been looked after for more than one year to measure outcomes. **Education data is updated annually**

CLA educational attainment trends

CLA Looked after for over a year	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total Children in KS2 cohort	2	2	3	1	6
Attained at least Level 4 in Maths at end of KS2	50%	0%	67%	100%	83%
Attained at least Level 4 in Reading at end of KS2	0%	0%	67%	100%	83%
Attained at least Level 4 in Writing at end of KS2	0%	0%	67%	0%	50%
Attained at least Level 4 in Reading, Writing and Maths at end of KS2	0%	0%	67%	0%	50%
Total young people in GCSE cohort	19	13	12	9	11
GCSE: Attained at least 1 A*-G	47.4%	46.2%	33.3%	66.7%	36.4%
GCSE: Attained 5 or more A*-G	31.6%	23.1%	16.7%	33.3%	36.4%
GCSE: Attained 5 or more A*-C	5.30%	0%	8.30%	0%	0%
GCSE: Attained 5 or more A*-C INC Eng and Maths	5.30%	0%	8.30%	0%	0%

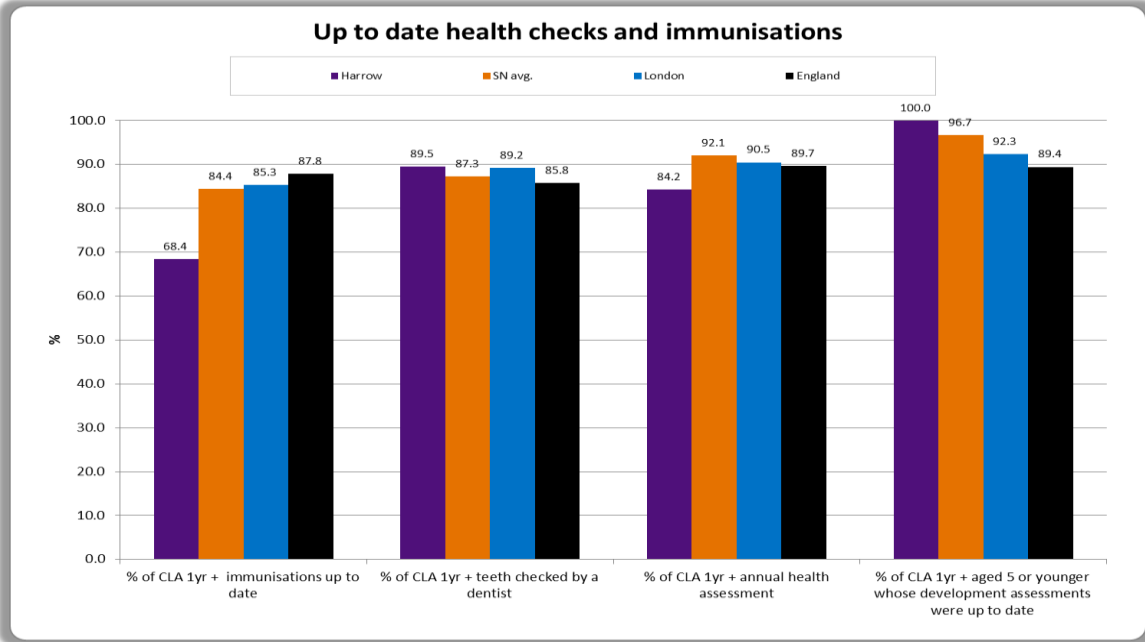
Detail for 2014-15 GCSEs

	TOTAL IN COHORT	Sat GCSE Exams?	Number GCSES Achieved	GCSE ONLY				GCSE & Equiv.	
				1 A*-G	5 A*-G	5 A*-C	5* A-C inc Eng Math	5* A-C	5* A-C inc Eng Math
All CLA	20	5	-	5	4	0	0	0	0
%	-			25.0%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
CLA (1 YR+)	11	4	-	4	4	0	0	0	0
%	-	36.4%	-	36.4%	36.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

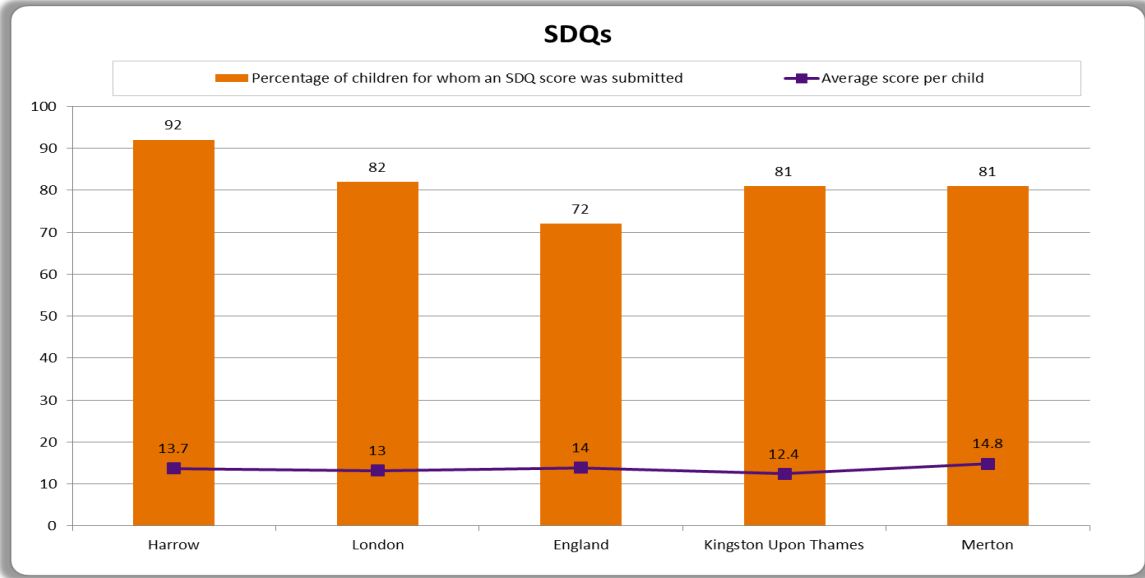
Four of the 11 CLA for 1+ years sat GCSE exams. All four achieved five A*-G grades, but none achieved five A* to C.

C7 - CLA Health

Monthly and quarterly monitoring of health and dental checks, strengths and difficulties questionnaires and immunisations will begin in 2016-17. Below is the most recent published data showing Harrow's performance at these indicators compared to London, England and statistical neighbours.



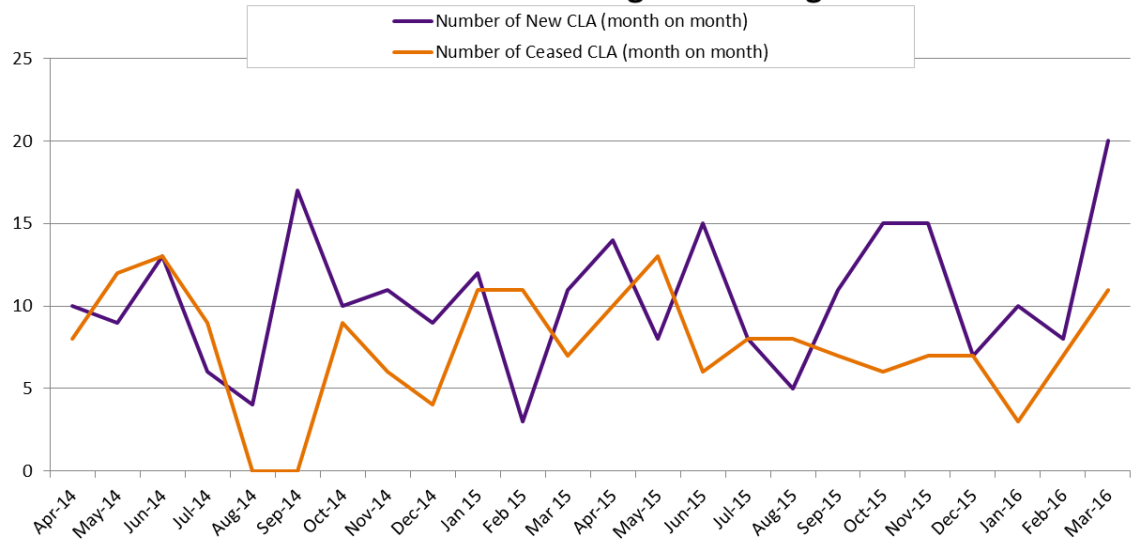
Latest comparative information (from 2014-15) shows that Harrow has performed well at annual dental checks for children looked after and completing SDQs, and well at health surveillance checks for LAC aged under 5 years (both better than London, England and statistical neighbours). We have performed less well at annual health checks and immunisations.



Note on SDQ scores: a score of under 14 is considered normal, 14-16 is borderline cause for concern and 17 or over is a cause for concern.

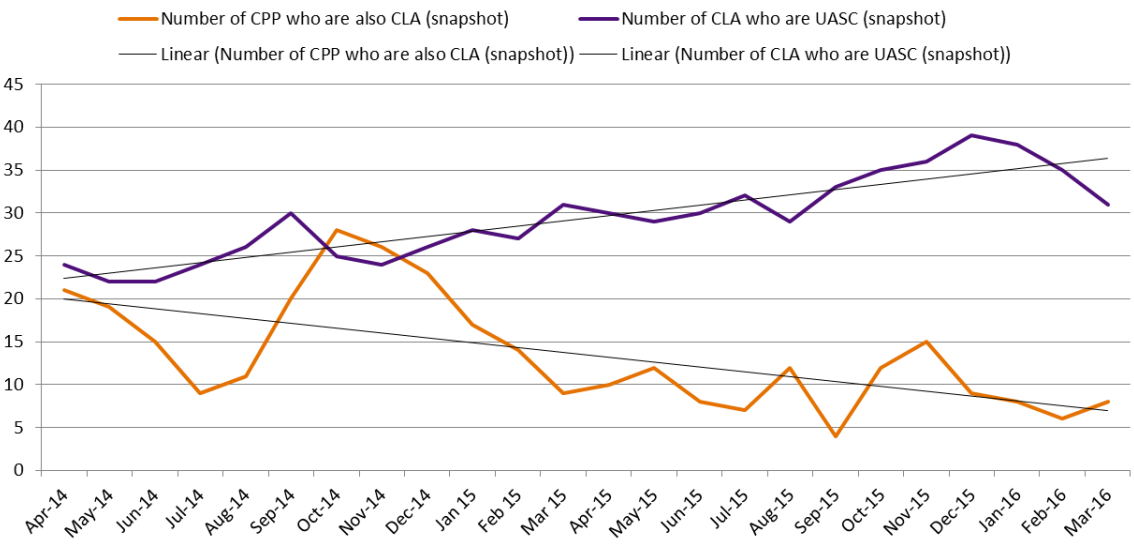
C8 – Number of new LAC, number of ceased LAC and number of children looked after who also have a child protection plan or are unaccompanied asylum seeking children.

Number of LAC starting and ceasing



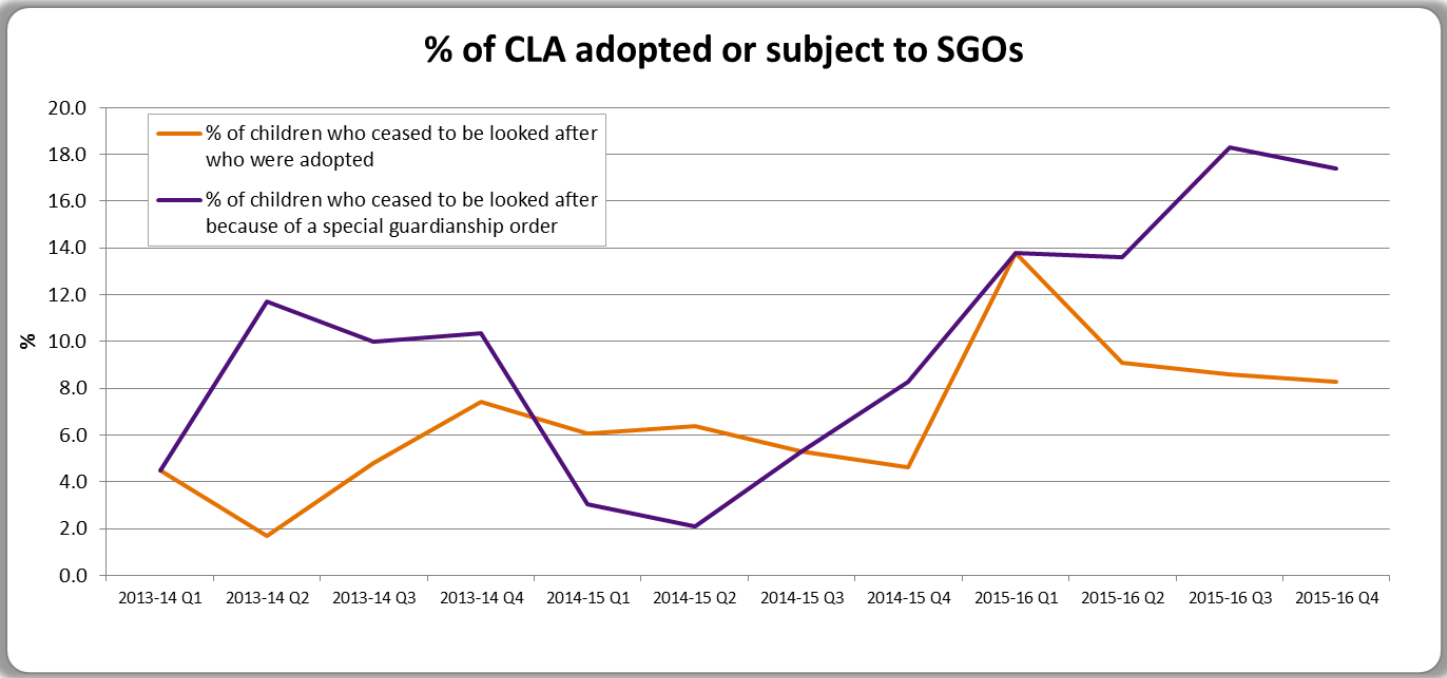
The average number of new LAC per month was 10 during 2014-15 and this has risen slightly to 11 in 2015-16. The number of LAC ceasing during the month was on average eight during both years.

Number of LAC who are also CPP or UASC (snapshot)



As the trendlines on the graph to the left show, the number of LAC who are also subject to a CPP has fallen sharply over the last two years, while those LAC who are also asylum seekers has risen sharply.

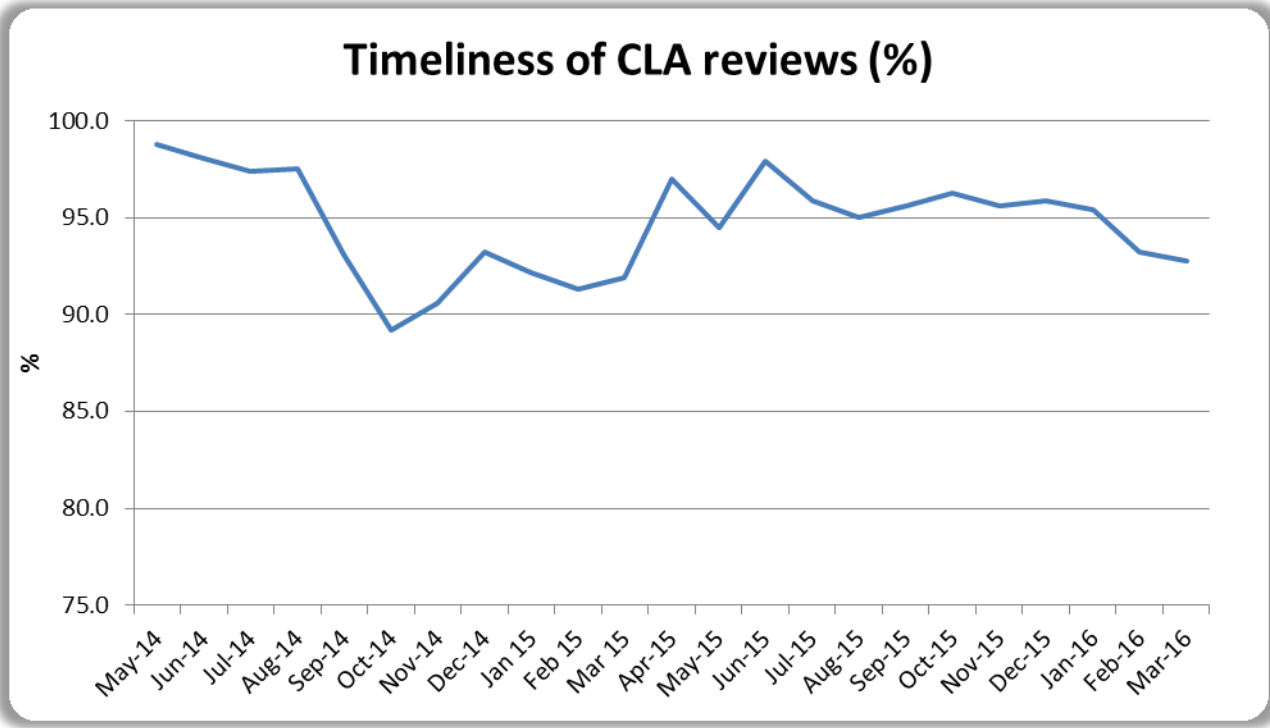
C9 – Adoptions and Special Guardianship Orders of LAC



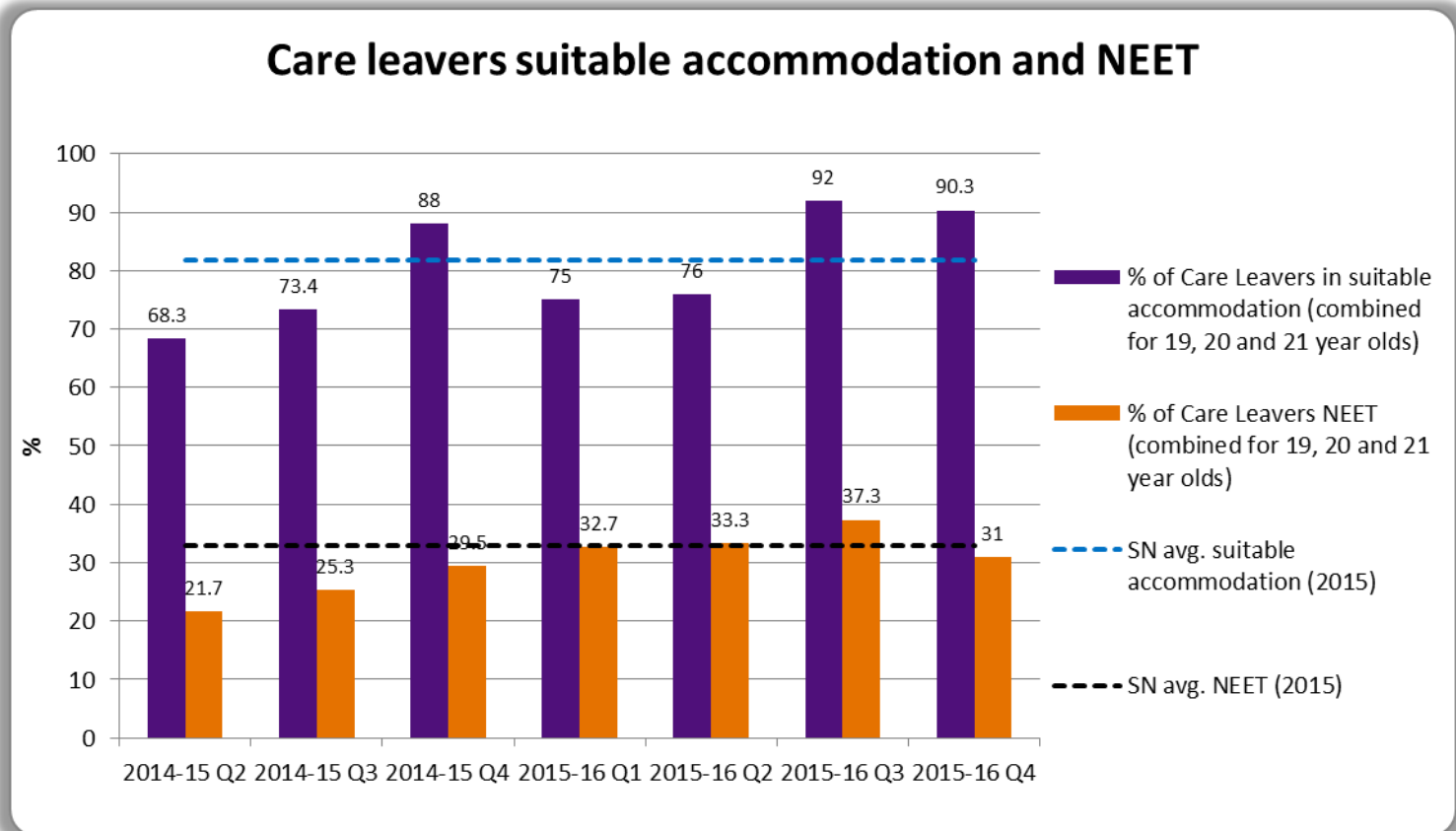
The number of children who ceased to be looked after who were adopted doubled during 2015-16 compared to the previous year, from 5 to 10. The number who were granted an SGO also increased significantly, from 12 to 21. This indicator is affected by the number of children who ceased to be looked after, and there are more such children this year than last; proportional performance therefore may not fully reflect the significant change in actual numbers. The table below shows that, of the three indicators monitoring the timeliness of the adoption process, all three have declined this year compared to last (March 2015 compared to March 2016).

	Jun-14	Sep-14	Dec-14	Mar 15	Jun-15	Sep-15	Dec-15	Mar-16
The average time (days) between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family, for children who have been adopted. Measured Quarterly (YTD).	651	434	352	336	713	647	695	595
The average time (days) between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family. Measured Quarterly (YTD).	134	132	115	115	340	315	356	283
Percentage of children who wait less than 16 months between entering care and moving in with their adoptive family. Measured Quarterly. Note this indicator measured less than 20 months for 2011-14	100	100	100	100	42	53	61	61

C10 – Timeliness of CLA reviews

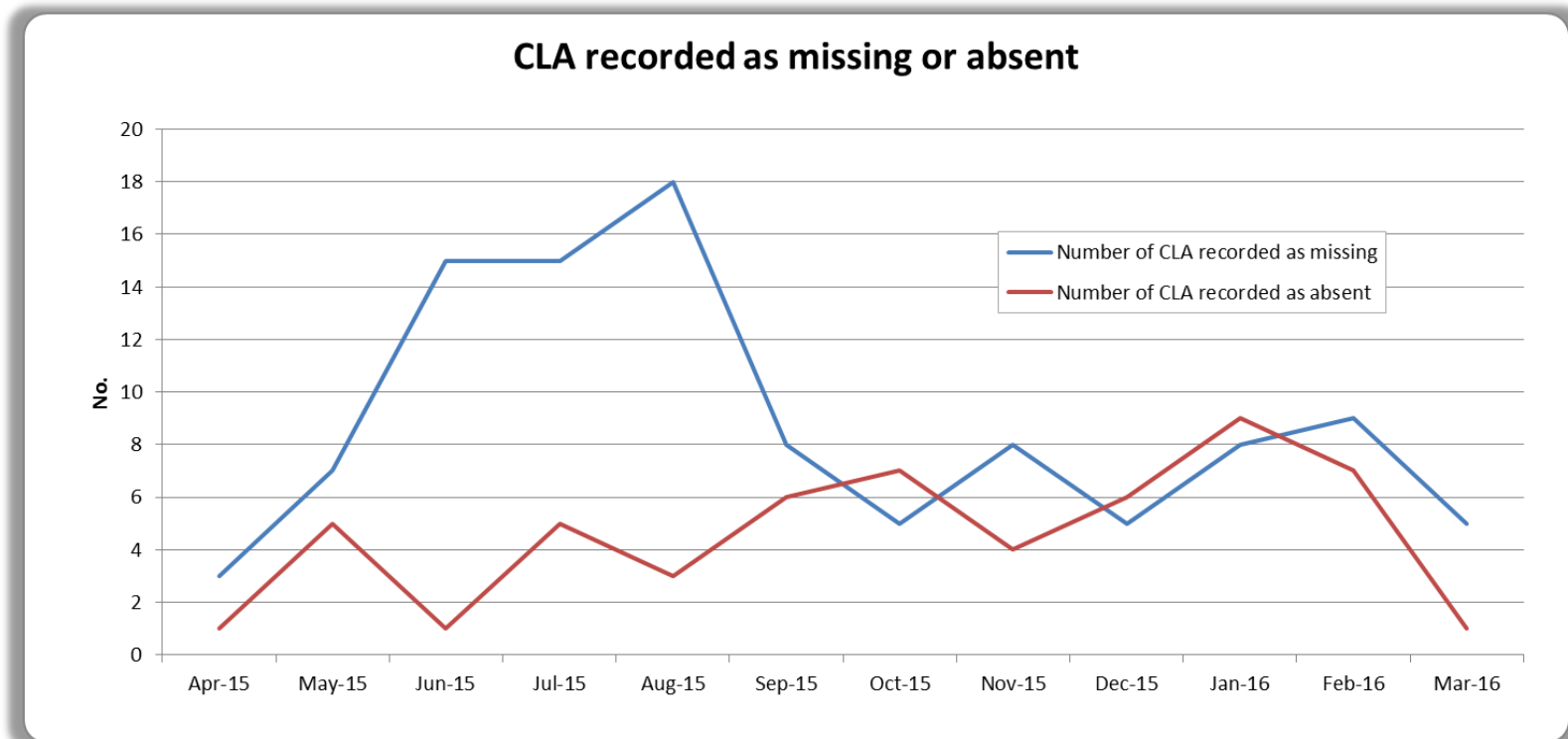


The timeliness of CLA reviews has decreased below target to 92.8%; 12 CLA have had late reviews.



Statistical neighbours averages from last year suggest that Harrow's performance this year at the care leavers' suitable accommodation indicator is better than statistical neighbours, while performance at care leavers' employment, education and training is about the same.

C12 – children who go missing or are absent



There were an average of nine LAC reported missing each month in 2015-16, with a high of 18 during August 2015, i.e. during the school holidays. There were on average 5 LAC absent from placement per month (whereabouts known).

	2014/15				2015/16			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Number of instances of children in care reported as missing from placement (whereabouts unknown)	22	68	77	117	61	47	35	48
Number of instances of children in care reported as absent from placement without authorisation (whereabouts known)	7	15	33	38	21	15	31	35