



Corporate Parenting Report

14th January 2020

Children Looked After

Activity to end of September 2019

Key Indicators to end of September 2019 (provisional outturns)

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Part A –Performance Indicators for Children Looked After

Ref No	Indicator Description	Statistical Neighbour Average 2017/18	England average 2017/18	Harrow 2017-18	Harrow 2018-19	Harrow target 2019/20	Harrow actual Q1 2019-20	Harrow actual Q2 2019-20
1	Rate of CLA per 10,000 children aged under 18	38.8	64.0	27.0	29.0		28.2	31.4
2	Timeliness of Reviews of Looked After Children	Not Published	Not Published	97.9	100.0	95%	98.7	98.3
3	% of CLA with 3 or more placements	12.2	10.0	13.0	10.7	Q1 - 2.5% Q2 - 5% Q3 - 7.5% Q4 - 10%	1.2	4.4
4	% of CLA looked after for 2.5+ years and in the same placement for 2 years	64.2	70.0	81.0	53.8	70%	62.2	63.9
5	% of Care Leavers in suitable accommodation (19 - 21 year olds)	78.5	84.0	87.0	94.6	85%	70.4	91.7
6	% of Care Leavers not in education, employment or training (19 - 21 year olds)	35.3	39.0	24.0	31.5	35%	48.1	36.7
7	% of CLA who are looked after 1 yr + with up to date Dental Checks (rolling year)	88.5	84.0	91.2	89.9	90%	88.3	80.4
8	% of CLA who are looked after 1 yr + with up to date Health Checks (rolling year)	93.0	88.0	97.1	96.2	95%	83.0	92.8
9	% of children who ceased to be looked after who were adopted	8.6	13.0	7.0	5.3	Q1 - 2% Q2 - 4% Q3 - 6% Q4 - 8%	4.2	5.1
10	% of CLA placed more than 20 miles away from home (snapshot)	22.3	15.0	19.5	20.0	20%	23.5	26.3
11	% of all CLA (current and ceased) with at least 1 missing episode in year	11.0	13.4	11.0	11.8	Q1 - 3% Q2 - 6% Q3 - 9% Q4 - 12%	10.2	11.9
12	Percentage of all CLA (current and ceased) with at least one instance of being away from placement without authorisation	7.4	4.0	11.0	14.0	Q1 - 2.5% Q2 - 5% Q3 - 7.5% Q4 - 10%	8.6	8.5

Part A – Education Performance Indicators for children looked after

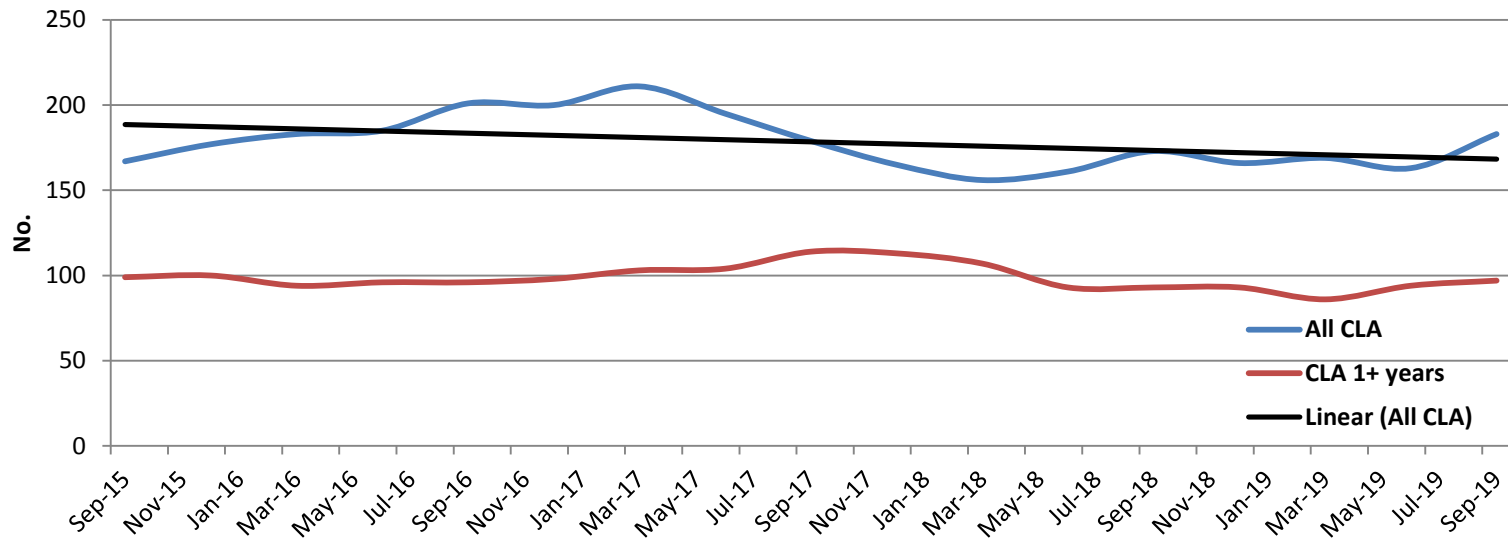
Educational Attainment at Key Stages	Harrow 2015-16	Harrow 2016-17	Harrow 2017-18	England average	SN Average
Percentage of children looked After reaching the expected standard least level 4 at KS2 in Reading, Writing and Maths (Source DfE)	100*	45.5	33	35.0	41 (outer London average)
Percentage of children Looked After (1+ years) achieving 9-4 pass in English and mathematics.	New GCSE's from 2016-17	8.0	20	17.8	25.0
Average Attainment 8 (1) Score for children Looked After (1+ years) at KS4	15.0	12.6	16.1	18.9	18.8
Average Progress 8 (2) Score for children Looked After (1+ years) at KS4		-1.9	-1.9	-1.2	-1.1
Absence Indicator					
Percentage of sessions missed. (CLA 1 year+)	5.3	6.9	5.9	4.5	4.3
Percentage classed as persistent absentees (CLA 1 year+)	X	17.0	21.7	10.6	13.2
Exclusions from school					
Percentage of CLA with at least one fixed term exclusion	15.6	X	12.2	11.8	12.4
Special educational needs					
Percentage of CLA with SEN but without a statement/EHCP	28.6	23.9	31.8	29	25.2
Percentage of CLA with SEN but with a statement/EHCP	30.4	28.2	25.8	26.5	33.3

X - Figures supressed in order to protect confidentially due to small number

* - Only one child in the cohort.

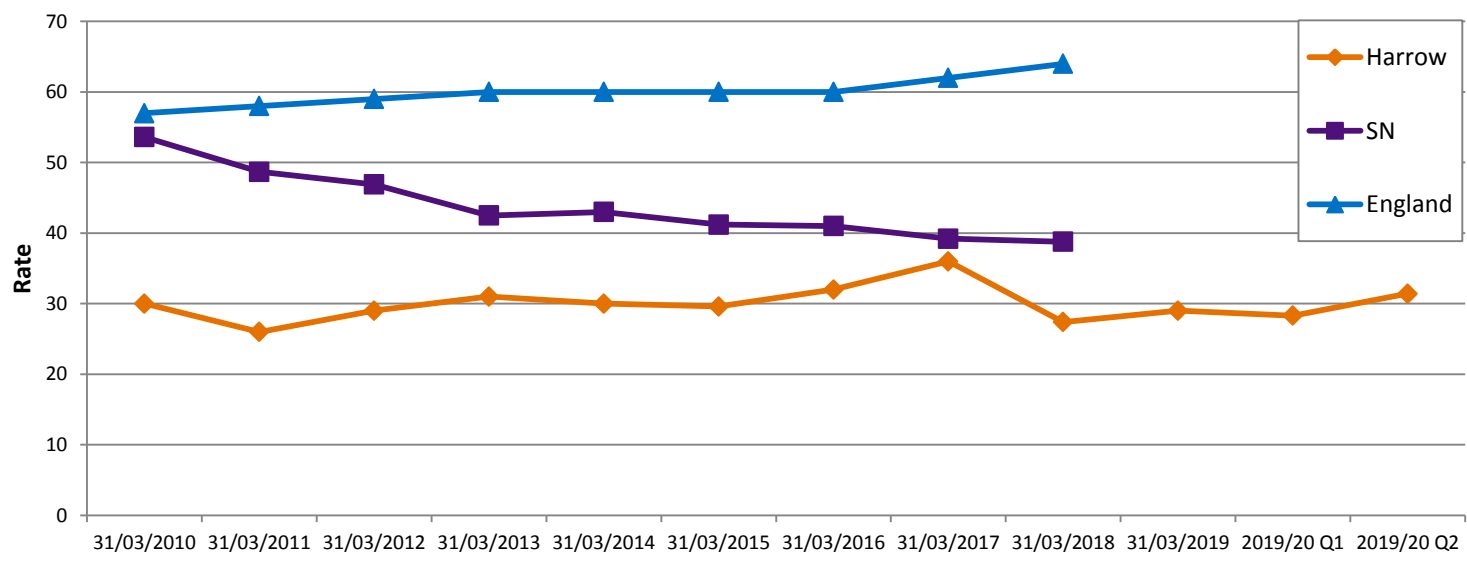
- (1) Attainment 8 - Attainment 8 measures the average achievement of pupils in up to 8 qualifications including English (double weighted if the combined English qualification, or both language and literature are taken), maths (double weighted), three further qualifications that count in the English Baccalaureate (EBacc) and three further qualifications that can be GCSE qualifications (including EBacc subjects) or any other non-GCSE qualifications on the DfE approved list.
- (2) Progress 8 - Progress 8 aims to capture the progress a pupil makes from the end of key stage 2 to the end of key stage 4. It compares pupils' achievement – their Attainment 8 score – with the average Attainment 8 score of all pupils nationally who had a similar starting point (or 'prior attainment'), calculated using assessment results from the end of primary school. Progress 8 is a relative measure, therefore the national average Progress 8 score for mainstream schools is zero. When including pupils at special schools the national average is not zero as Progress 8 scores for special schools are calculated using Attainment 8 estimates based on pupils in mainstream schools.

Number of CLA - the long-term trend



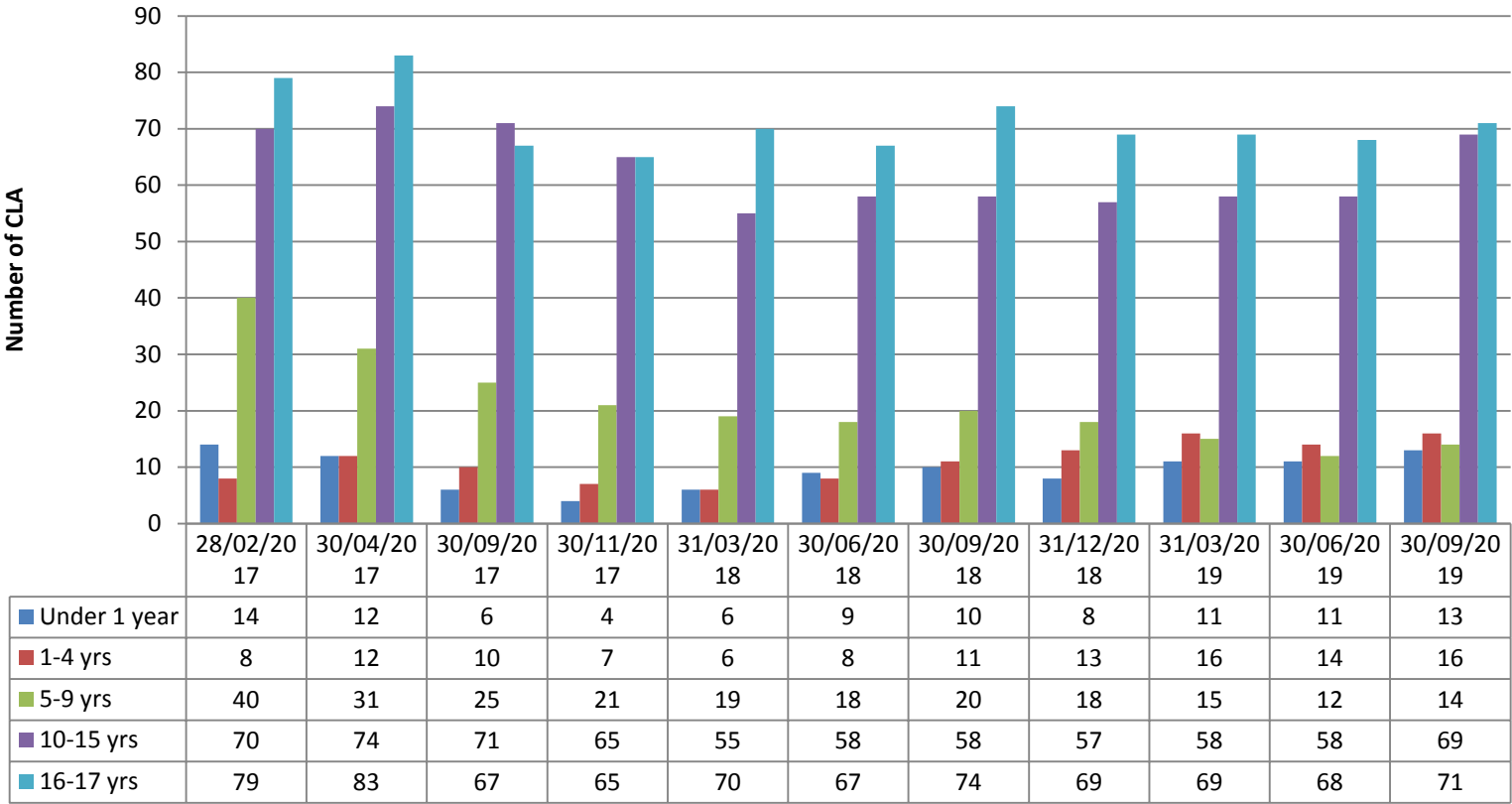
The number of all CLA has been increasing from the lower figures seen in the last quarter with CLA 1yr + also showing an increase. The 3 year trend shows an overall decrease in CLA numbers

Rate of CLA per 10,000 children aged under 18



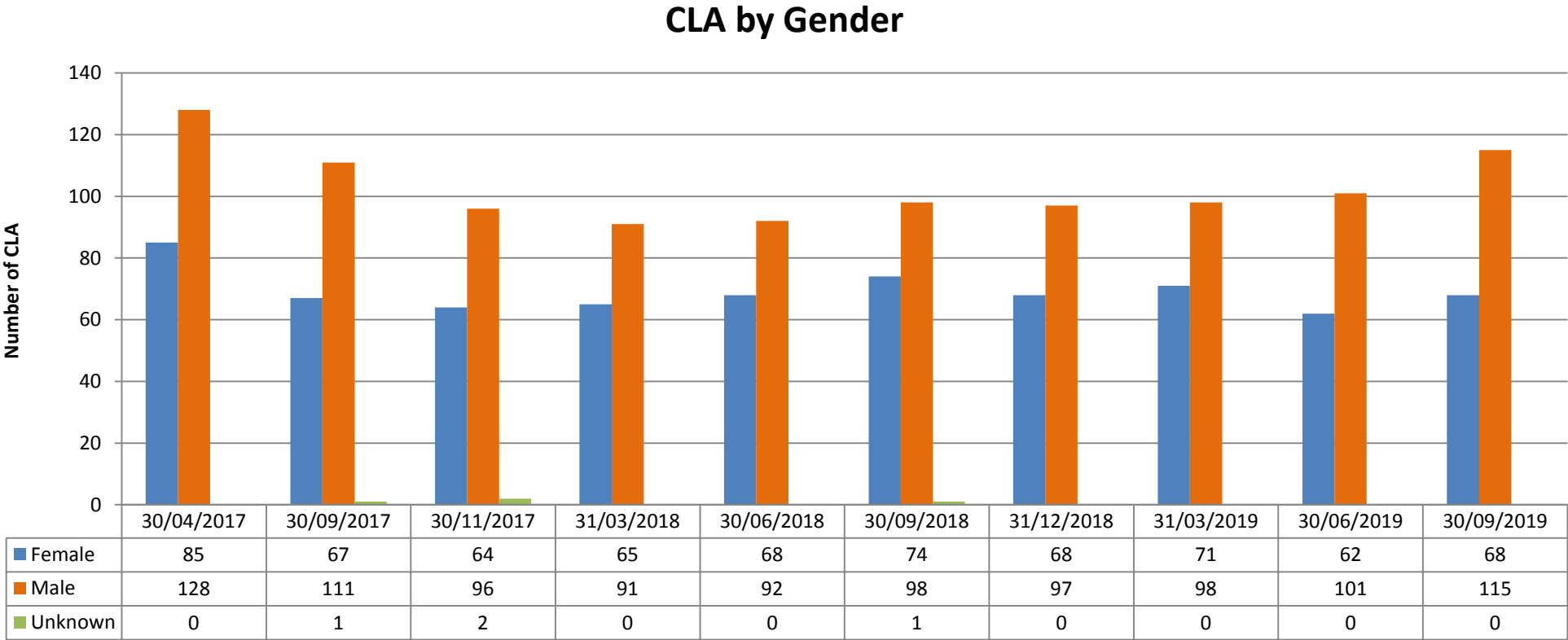
The rate of CLA per 10,000 has increased in line with the cohort but we continue to remain below the 2018 statistical neighbour average and England rates per 10,000.

CLA by Age Group



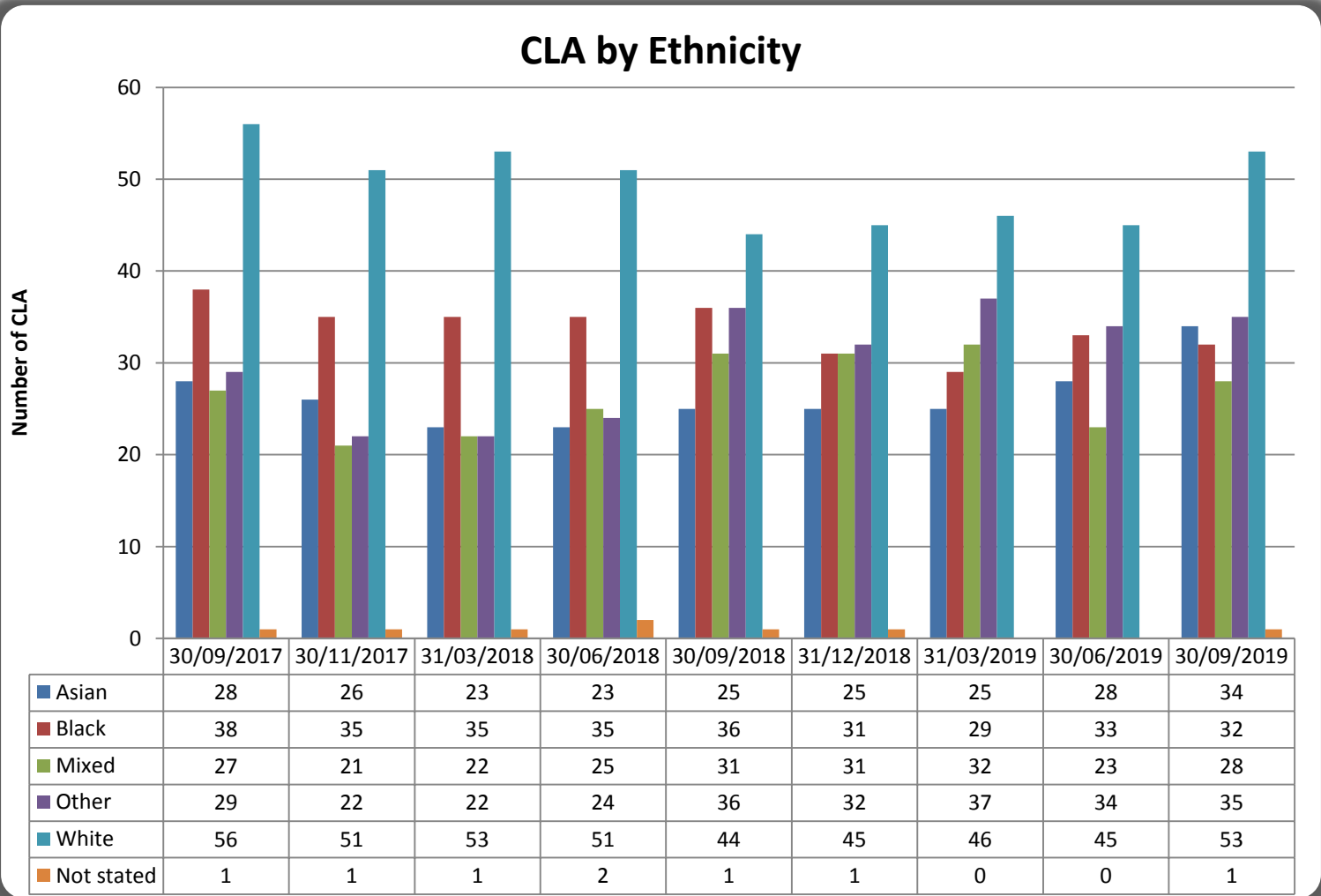
The main shift from the previous quarter has been an increase in the number of CLA between 10 and 15. Looking at annual figures the proportion of 16-17 year old CLA is high compared to the England and Statistical Neighbour averages. This is an additional pressure for leaving care services with just under two thirds of care leavers aged 16 to 18 ceasing to be looked after at age 18.

Comparator Info. for % of age of CLA at 31/03/2018 (Source: SSDA903)	Age at 31 March 2018 (years) (%)				
	Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 15	16 -17
Harrow	3.8%	3.8%	13.2%	34.6%	44.7%
England	5.7%	13.0%	18.9%	39.4%	23.0%
Stat. neighbours avg.	4.6%	8.2%	12.2%	38.3%	36.4%



The looked after cohort is 62.8% Male and 37.2% Female, this is a higher proportion of males in relation to comparator figures

Comparator Info. for % of gender of CLA at 31/03/2018 (Source: SSDA903)	Gender (%)	
	Male	Female
Harrow	57.2%	42.8%
England	56.1%	43.9%
Stat. neighbours avg.	58.1%	41.9%



Just under three quarters of Harrow's children looked after population are from BME groups which is significantly higher than the statistical neighbour average

This quarter the ethnicity which has shown the biggest movement is that of white background with an increase of 8 CLA

Published data shows Harrow to have a higher proportion of CLA from other backgrounds.

Comparator Info. for % of ethnicity of CLA at 31/3/2018 (Source: SSDA903)	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Other Ethnic Groups/ Other
Harrow	36.5%	12.6%	14.5%	22.0%	13.8%
England	74.6%	9.5%	4.5%	7.1%	3.4%
Stat. neighbours avg.	40.7%	17.5%	15.6%	18.7%	4.8%

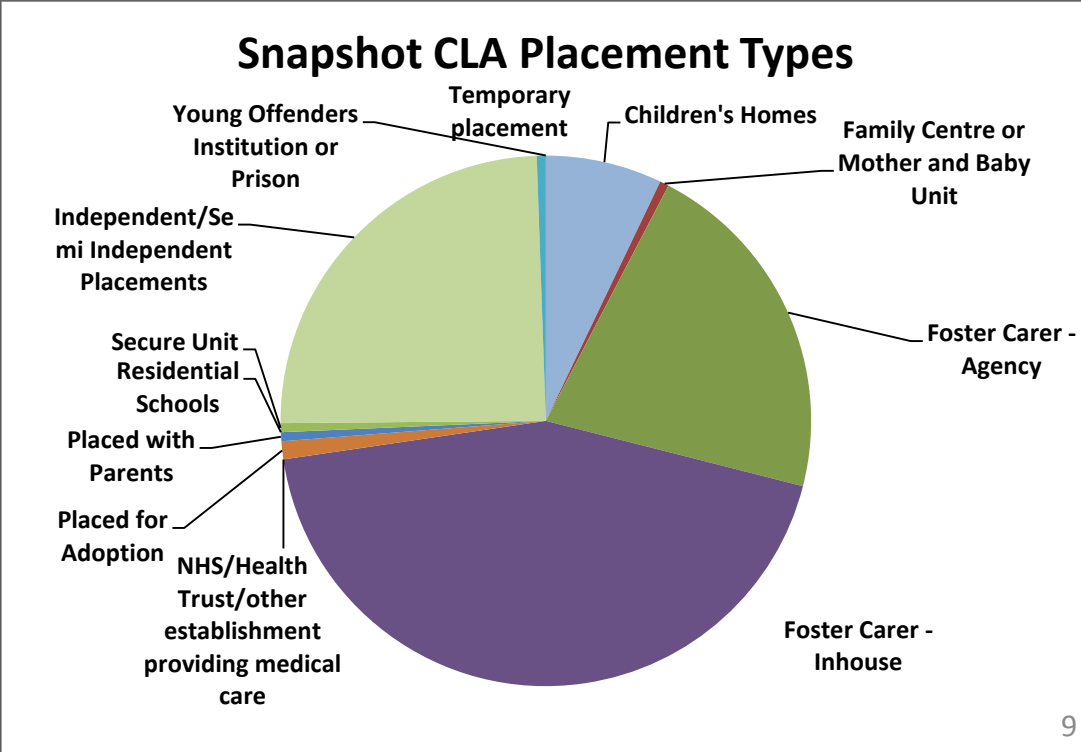
B5 – Children looked after placement type

Placement Type	Sep-16	Nov-16	Feb-17	Apr-17	Sep-17	Nov-17	Feb-18	Mar-18	Jun-18	Sep-18	Dec-18	Mar-19	Jun-19	Sep-19
Children's Homes	13	10	13	16	12	10	11	11	8	11	8	9	11	13
Mother and Baby Unit	3	3	2	2	1	0	2	1	2	3	3	3	0	1
Foster Carer - Agency	25	26	32	31	28	25	17	23	21	23	27	34	35	39
Foster Carer - Inhouse	107	100	101	100	74	71	73	66	74	80	73	75	75	80
NHS/Health Trust	4	4	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Placed for Adoption	4	5	6	7	10	7	4	4	3	3	2	2	1	2
Placed with Parents	0	2	0	0	6	7	5	4	5	7	6	4	2	1
Residential Schools	6	7	7	7	5	5	4	4	4	4	5	6	3	0
Secure Unit	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Independent/Semi Independent	36	39	44	45	37	34	40	39	39	42	41	36	33	45
Temporary placement	0	0	1	0	2	2	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	1
Young Offenders Institution or Prison	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	2	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Grand Total	201	199	211	213	179	162	160	156	173	173	165	169	163	183

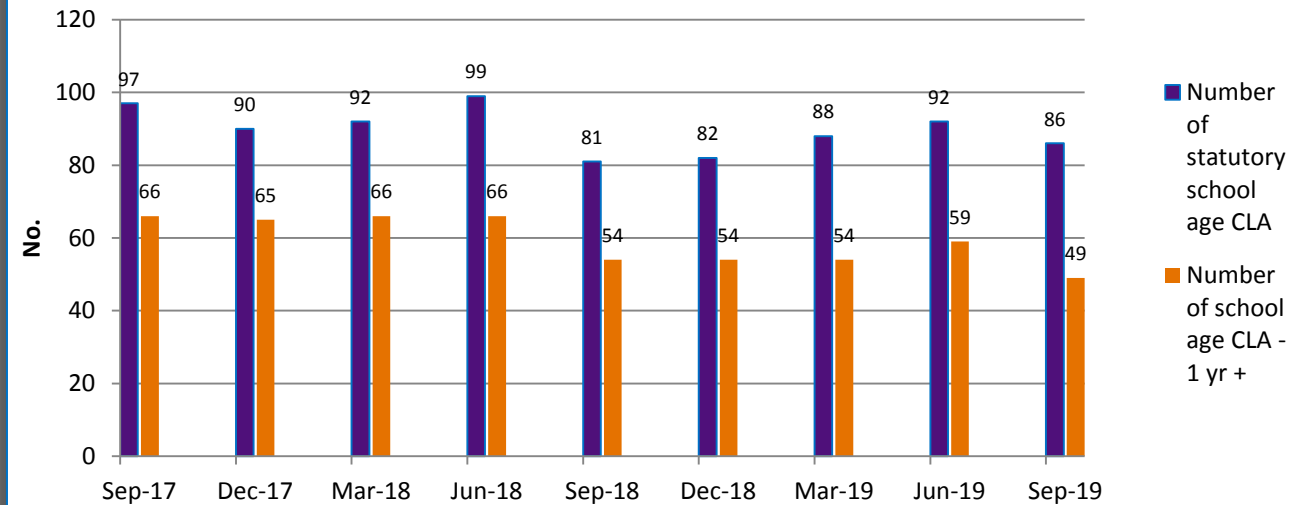
There are no significant changes to the proportion of placement types. Fostering remains the most common placement accounting for 65% of CLA followed by independent and semi independent placements accounting for 24.6%. Annual figures show us above the England and Statistical Neighbour average for the percentage of CLA in the secure units, children's homes and hostels category.

Comparator Info. for % of Main Placement Types of CLA at 31/03/2018 (Source: SSDA903)	Harrow	SN avg.	England
foster placements	58.5%	68.2%	73.2%
placed for adoption	2.5%	0.7%	3.0%
placed with parents	1.8%	1.3%	6.2%
other placements within the community	0.0%	5.4%	4.1%
secure units, children's homes and hostels	34.6%	17.2%	11.3%
other residential accommodation	1.3%	1.5%	1.6%
residential schools	1.3%	0	0.2%
other placements	0.0%	0	0

Published data shows Harrow has slightly less children in foster placements compared to SN average and more in community settings, this is mainly due to higher numbers of children aged 16+



School age CLA



Harrow monitors all school children and those looked after 1 year plus. At the end of September, 86 CLA are of statutory school age of whom 49 have been looked after more than a year. There has been no permanent exclusions this academic year with 2.3% of CLA having at least one fixed term exclusion. Overall session absence and persistent absence remains high and is significantly above the statistical neighbour average. PEP performance has continued to improve considerably with 100% of CLA having a PEP in the last academic term

PI Description	Dec-17	Mar-18	Jul-18	Dec-18	Mar-19	Jun-19	Sep-19
% of school age CLA (all CLA) permanently excluded this year (Sept to date)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.1	0.0
% of school age CLA (1 yr + at 31st March) permanently excluded this year (Sept to date)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
% of school age CLA (all CLA) with at least one fixed-term exclusion this year (Sept to date)	3.3	12.0	15.8	4.9	12.5	14.1	2.3
% of school age CLA (1 yr + at 31st March) with at least one fixed-term exclusion this year (Sept to date)	4.6	13.6	22.1	4.9	14.8	16.9	0.0
% absence from school (all CLA - % of sessions missed)	11.7	11.4	12.6	11.6	12.7	12.5	14.3
% absence from school (1 yr+, % of sessions missed)	8.9	10.5	12.3	10.6	10.7	9.4	8.7
% of CLA (all CLA) classified as persistent absentees	26.7	28.3	29.7	20.7	30.7	34.8	27.9
% of CLA (1 year+) classified as persistent absentees	16.9	22.7	29.4	22.2	20.4	20.3	18.4
% of CLA (all school age CLA) with up to date PEP	70.0	66.3	82.2	93.9	97.7	100.0	100.0

CLA educational attainment - No update, Final results are not yet available

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

KS2 CLA Looked After for over a year	2017 SN Average	2017 England	2016	2017	2018
Number of CLA			1	11	3
KS2 % of CLA 1yr + reaching expected standard in reading, writing and maths	53%	32%	0.0%	45.5%	33.3%
KS2 Average progress score in reading	1.46	-0.7	-	-1.3	1.12
KS2 Average progress score in writing	1.16	-0.9	-	-2.4	-1.52
KS2 Average progress score in maths	0.31	-1.1	-	-1.6	-

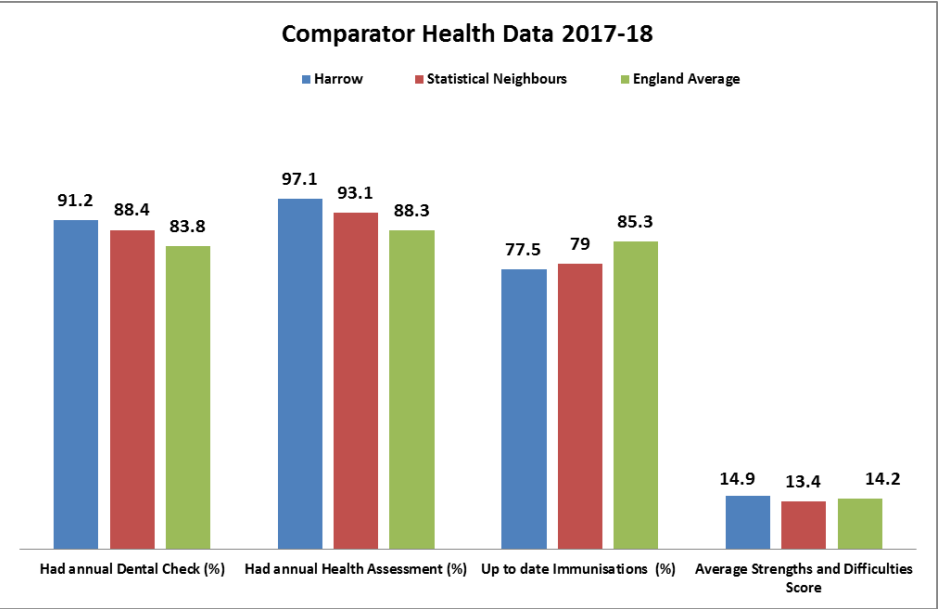
1 out of 3 CLA looked after over a year reached the expected standard in reading, writing and maths. The average progress score across reading, writing and maths has improved from the previous years figures though overall our performance for KS2 dropped.

KS4 CLA Looked After for over a year	2017 SN Average	2017 England	2016	2017	2018 (Provisional)
Number of CLA			14	12	15
KS4 % of CLA 1 year + achieving 9-4 in English and Mathematics	33.30%	17.50%	-	8.0%	20%
KS4 % of CLA 1 year + achieving 9-5 in English and Mathematics		7%	14.3%	0.0%	6.7%
KS4 Average attainment 8 score	18	19.3	15	12.6	16.1
KS4 Average progress 8 score	-1.14	-1.18	-1.71	-1.87	-1.9

Out of the 15 KS4 CLA looked after over a year, 3 achieved a 9-4 in English and Maths. Of these 3, 1 achieving a 9-5. KS4 average attainment 8 scores has improved but both Attainment 8 & Progress 8 scores remains lower than SN and England average

B8 - CLA Health

Annual health checks have improved and is now in line with the statistical neighbour average. Dental checks have decreased and remain below the statistical neighbour average. Immunisations has increased to 67% and is considerably improved from our Q2 position last year. CLA with up to date SDQ's has increased, our average SDQ score was higher in 2017/18 than the statistical neighbour and England averages.



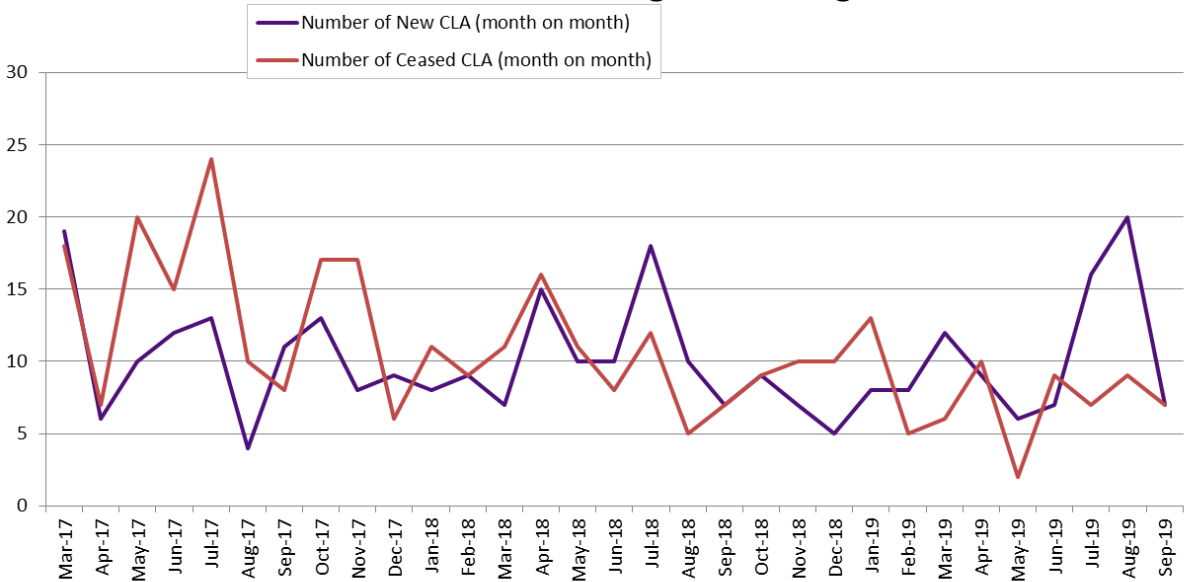
Comparative Data (%) year ending 2018	Had annual Dental Check (%)	Had annual Health Assessment (%)	Up to date Immunisations (%)	Average Strengths and Difficulties Score
Harrow	91.2	97.1	77.5	14.9
Statistical Neighbours	88.4	93.1	79	13.4
England Average	83.8	88.3	85.3	14.2

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.

Indicator Description	Sep-17	Dec-17	Mar-18	Jun-18	Sep-18	Dec-18	Mar-19	Jun-19	Sep-19
% of all CLA aged 4-16 who have an up to date strengths and difficulties (SDQ) score	93.4	78.3	87.9	63.4	63.4	72.4	66.0	64.0	67.3
% of CLA (1 yr +) with immunisations up to date	64.1	66.4	63.6	69.3	57.5	61.7	77.2	63.8	67.0
% of CLA with up to date Dental Checks (CLA 1 yr +)	86.8	84.1	80.4	82.8	82.8	88.2	89.9	83.0	80.4
% of CLA with up to date Health Checks (CLA 1 yr +)	93.0	89.4	93.5	73.1	84.9	90.3	96.2	88.3	92.8
% of new CLA where health assessment has been completed within 28 calendar days YTD	69.6	80.5	68.2	38.1	22.8	36.9	41.9	33.3	51.9

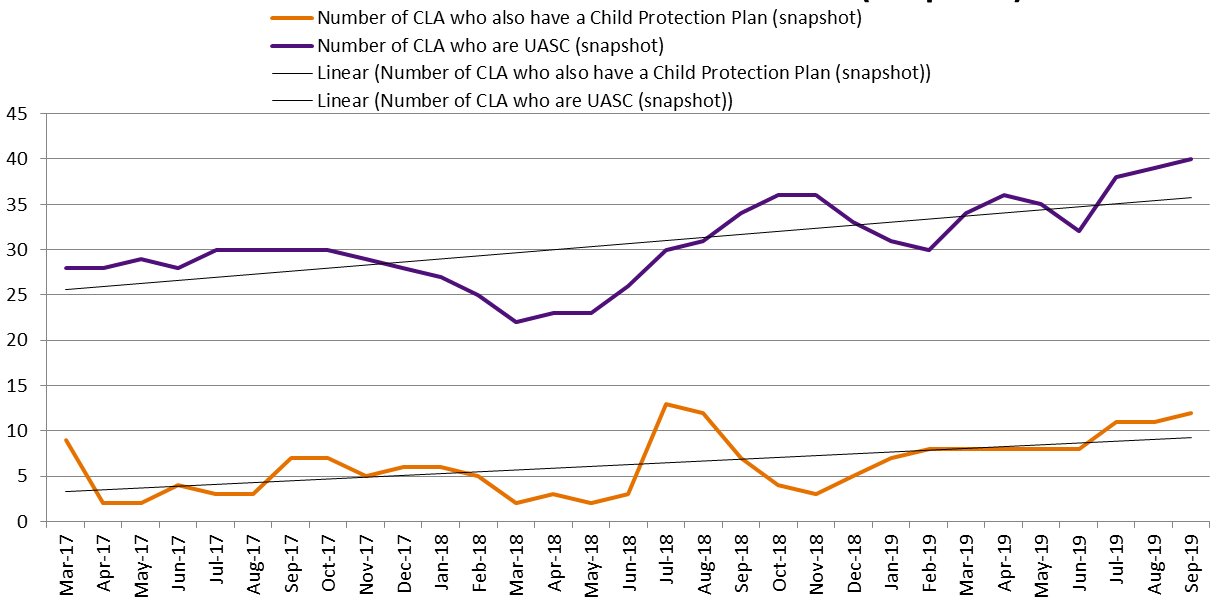
B9 – Number of new CLA, number of ceased CLA and number of children looked after who also have a child protection plan or are unaccompanied asylum seeking children.

Number of CLA starting and ceasing



The number of new and ceased CLA continues to vary, month on month.

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



The number of CLA who are UASC has seen a stable increase since the last report. The 3 year trend shows overall UASC figures increasing across the period. Looked after Children who have a Child Protection Plan has increased in the last quarter and continues to be monitored closely.

B10 – Reasons for entering and leaving care

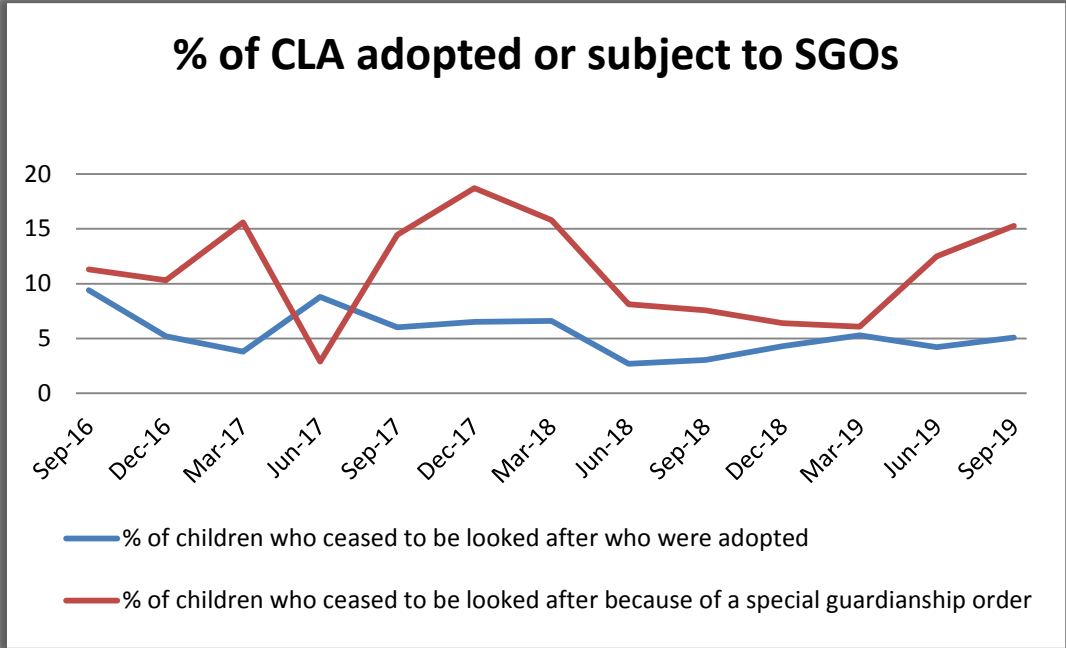
When a 'Social Work Assessment' is carried out, the primary need is recorded in line with DfE categories. For children who are looked after at the end of Q2, most common primary need type is Abuse or Neglect (50.3%) followed by Absent Parenting (24%).

Primary Need	Count	%
Abuse or Neglect	92	50.3%
Absent parenting	44	24.0%
Family dysfunction	15	8.2%
Socially unacceptable behaviour	5	2.7%
Family in acute stress	7	3.8%
Child Disability	12	6.6%
Low income	1	0.5%
Parental illness or disability	7	3.8%
Cases other than Children in Need	0	0.0%
Not Stated	0	0.0%
Total	183	

Reason LAC Ceased YTD Description	Count	%
Died	0	0.0%
Care taken over by another LA	0	0.0%
Returned home to live with parents	19	32.2%
Moved into independent living	10	16.9%
Transferred to residential by ASC	0	0.0%
Period of LAC ceased for any other reason	10	16.9%
Sentenced to custody	4	6.8%
Left care to live with parents, relatives, or other	1	1.7%
Adopted	3	5.1%
Accommodation on remand ended	1	1.7%
Age assessment child is 18 or over	1	1.7%
Child moved abroad	1	1.7%
Residence order	0	0.0%
SGO	9	15.3%
Total	59	

Year to date of the 59 children who ceased to be looked after, 19 (32.2%) returned home to parents and 10 (16.9%) ceased for other reasons.

B11– Adoptions and Special Guardianship Orders of CLA



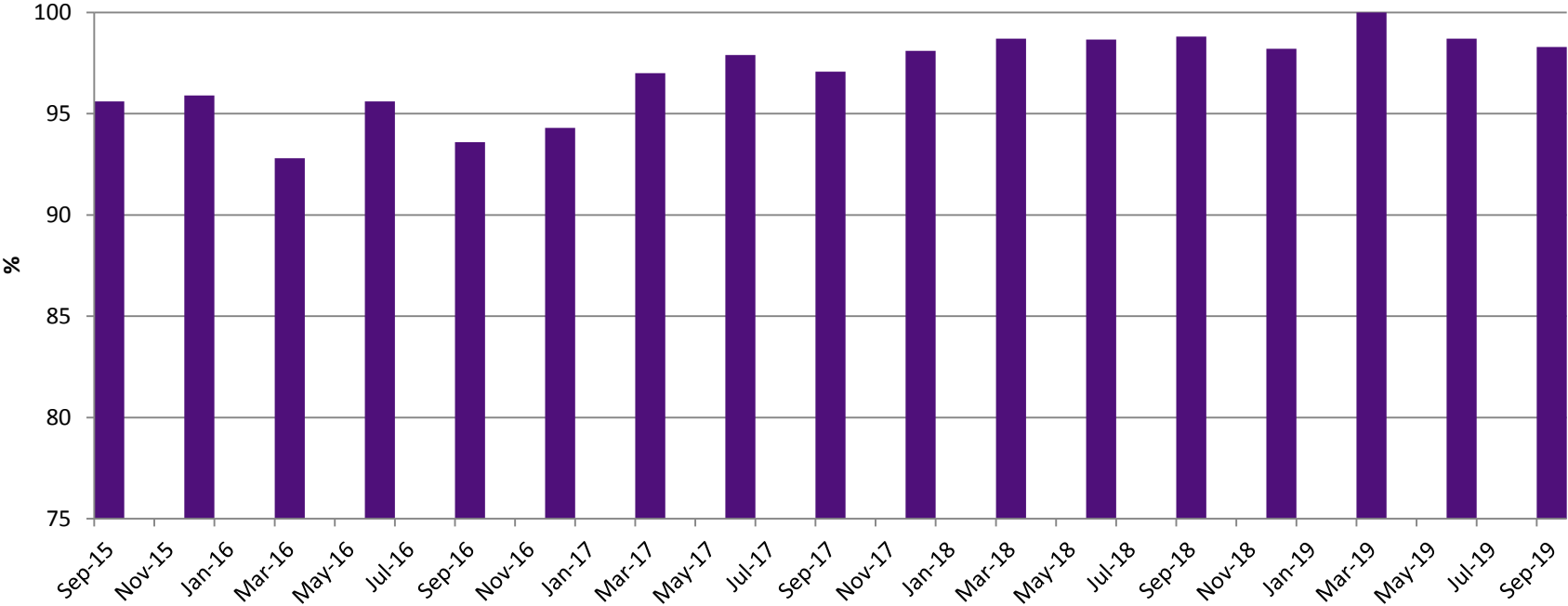
	LA	2013-16	2014-17	2015-18
Average time between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family (days)	Harrow	439.00	472.00	386.00
	Statistical Neighbours	603.30	593.00	468.00
	England Average	558.00	520.00	412.00

	LA	2013-16	2014-17	2015-18
Average time between a LA receiving court authority to place a child and deciding on a match	Harrow	154.00	173.00	153.00
	Statistical Neighbours	217.80	228.30	224.30
	England Average	226.00	220.00	201.00

The percentage of ceased CLA who were adopted at the end of Q2 is 5.1% with 15.3% ceasing and becoming subject of an SGO. The average time between a child entering care and moving in with it’s adoptive family has reduced from the previous quarter to 214.7 days and we remain below comparator averages. 80% of children now wait less than 14 months between entering care and moving in with their adoptive family, a reduction from the previous quarter. The average time between receiving court authority to place a child and matching with adoptive family has reduced from the previous quarter to 86.5 days and remains below comparator averages.

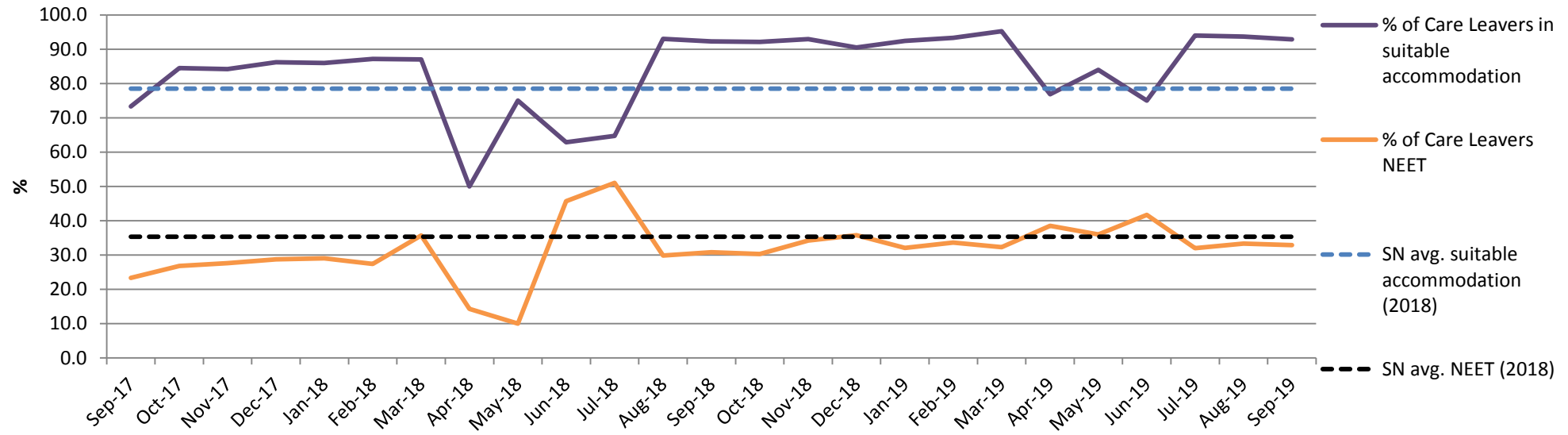
	Sep-16	Dec-16	Mar-17	Jun-17	Sep-17	Dec-17	Mar-18	Jun-18	Sep-18	Dec-18	Mar-19	Jun-19	Sep-19
The average time (days) between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family, for children who have been adopted. Measured Quarterly (YTD).	426.0	390.5	390.5	543.0	506.6	380.3	333.0	286.0	437.5	332.2	278.2	340.0	214.7
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).	189.0	167.0	167.0	86.0	102.0	93.9	116.0	147.0	86.0	100.6	100.6	105.6	86.5
Percentage of children who wait less than 14 months between entering care and moving in with their adoptive family. Measured Quarterly.	80.0	83.0	83.0	0.0	20.0	50.0	83.3	100.0	50.0	83.0	86.0	100.0	80.0

Timeliness of CLA reviews (%)



The timeliness of CLA reviews remains high at 98.3% and is above our target of 95% of reviews to be held in time.

Care leavers suitable accommodation and NEET

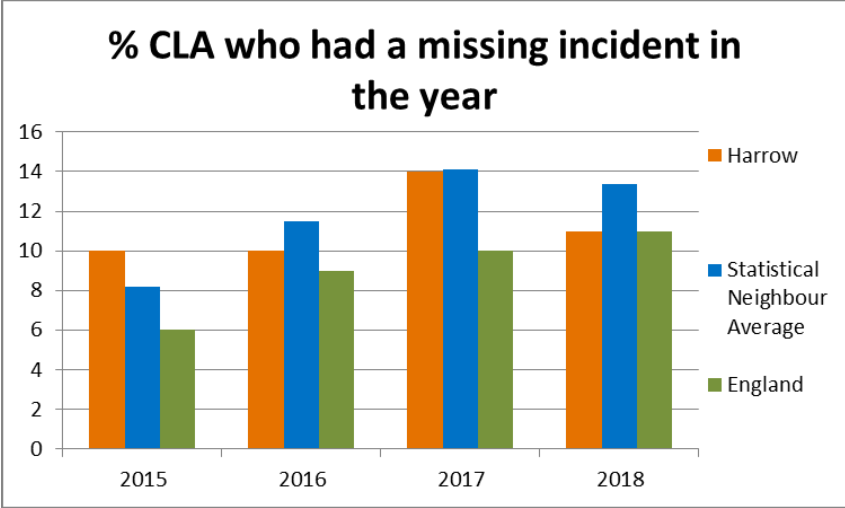
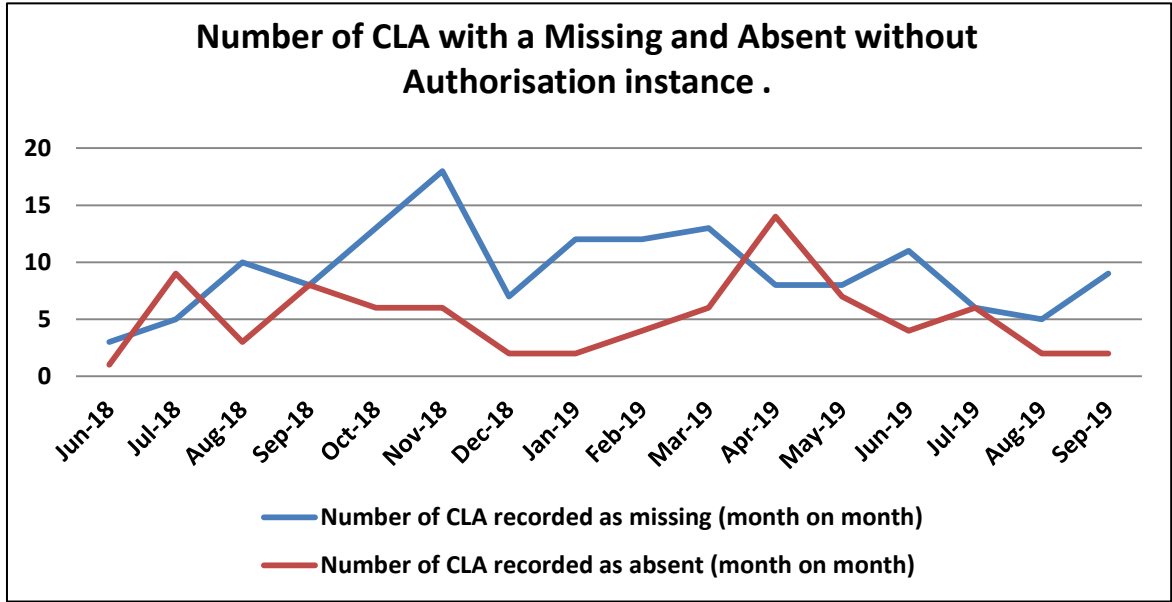


Care Leaver Snapshot NEET Status	Sep-19	%
NEET - due to Illness or Disability	2	1.0%
NEET - due to Pregnancy or Parenting	6	2.9%
NEET - Other Circumstances	34	16.6%
Unemployed	1	0.5%
Not Recorded	21	10.2%
Enrolled on Course - Not Yet Started	1	0.5%
F/T Higher Education (i.e. beyond A Level)	19	9.3%
F/T Training or Employment	20	9.8%
Full Time Education	1	0.5%
Other F/T Education	88	42.9%
Other P/T Education	5	2.4%
P/T Higher Education (i.e. beyond A Level)	1	0.5%
P/T Training or Employment	6	2.9%
Count:	205	

Care leavers in suitable accommodation has increased from the previous quarter and is above the statistical neighbour average. Care leavers who are NEET have also decreased from the previous report and is now below the statistical neighbour average.

The suitable accommodation and NEET indicators can only look at activity in the period 3 months before and 1 month after the care leavers birthday in year. As such anything recorded outside of this period cannot be considered. Looking at current data excluding the constraints around birthday, 21% NEET and 10.2% not recorded.

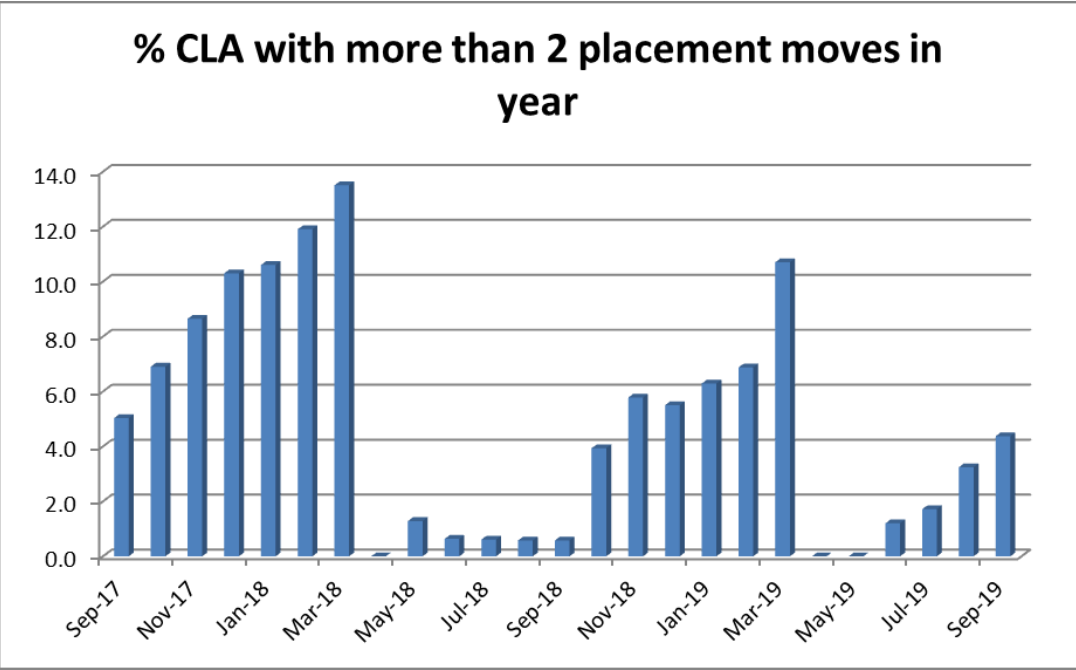
B14 – Children who go missing or are absent



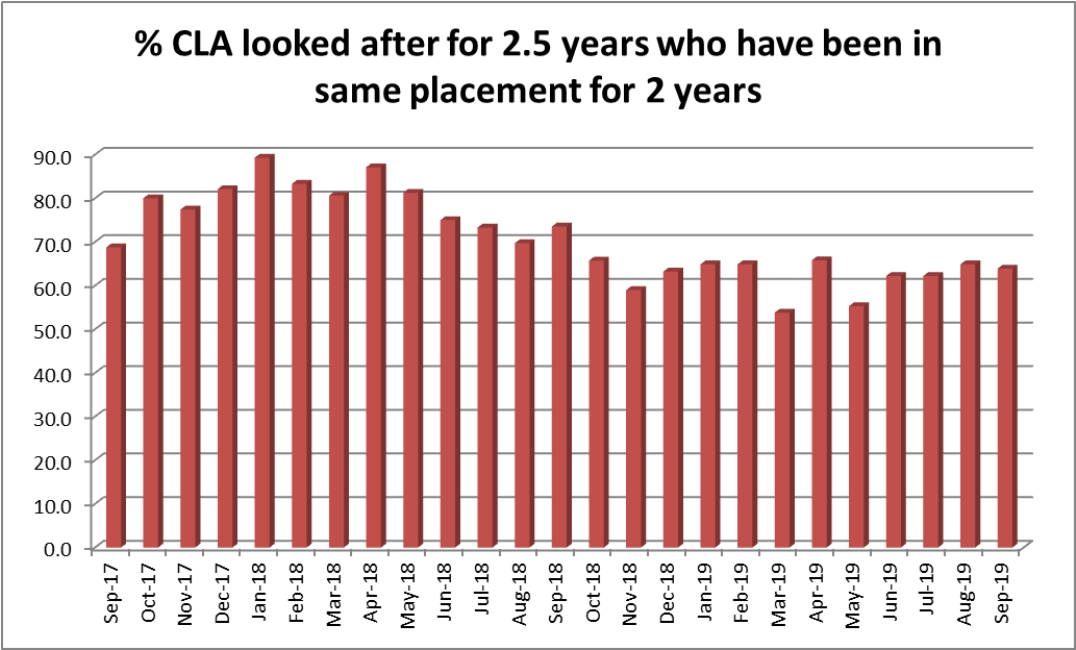
	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Nov-18	Dec-18	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19
Number of CLA recorded as missing (month on month)	3	5	10	8	13	18	7	12	12	13	8	8	11	6	5	9
Number of CLA recorded as absent (month on month)	1	9	3	8	6	6	2	2	4	6	14	7	4	6	2	2

	Sep-17	Dec-17	Mar-18	Jun-18	Sep-18	Dec-18	Mar-19	Jun-19	Sep-19
% of CLA who had at least one missing incident (year to date)	12.5	12.8	13.2	4.6	8.0	11.7	11.8	10.2	11.9
% of CLA away from placement without authorisation at least on one occasion (year to date)	11.7	11	11.8	4.6	7.6	8.6	14.0	8.6	8.5

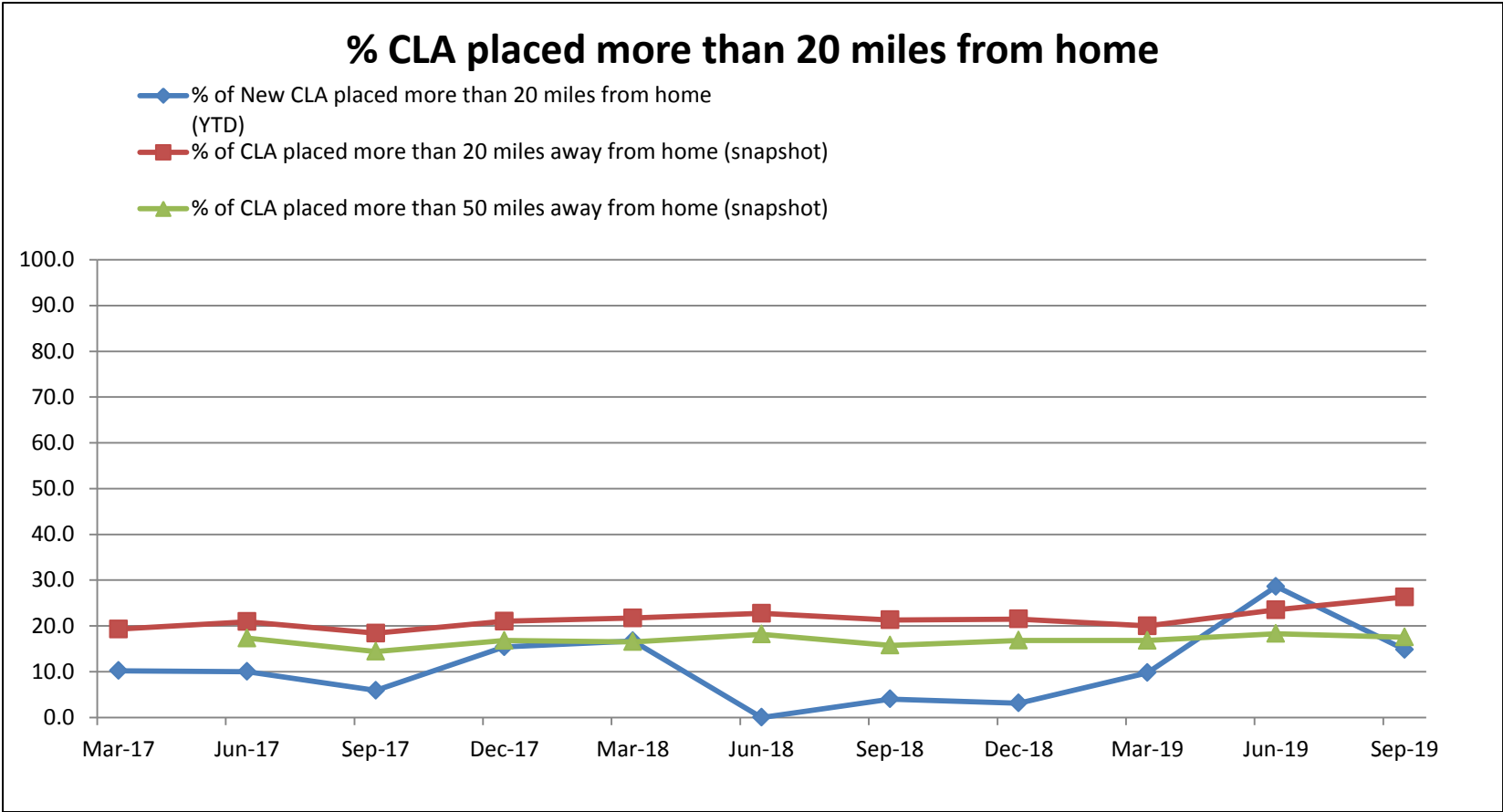
The percentage of CLA who’ve had a missing episode during the year has increased with the percentage CLA with an absent episode remaining stable. Missing and absent children continue to remain a focus for Children’s services with weekly and monthly multiagency meetings focussing on repeat offenders. A Runaways Worker is also in post and undertakes return interviews with children who go missing.



The placement stability of our CLA with respect to moves and length of placements has increased to 4.4% with 8 of our CLA having had 3 or more placements during the year, we are below the England and statistical neighbour averages. There are 23 CLA who have had 2 placement moves whereby another move in the year would have a negative impact on the indicator. The percentage of CLA looked after for 2.5 years who have been in the same placement for 2 years has increased to 63.9% with 23/36 CLA in placement for over 2 years, we are in line with the statistical neighbour average

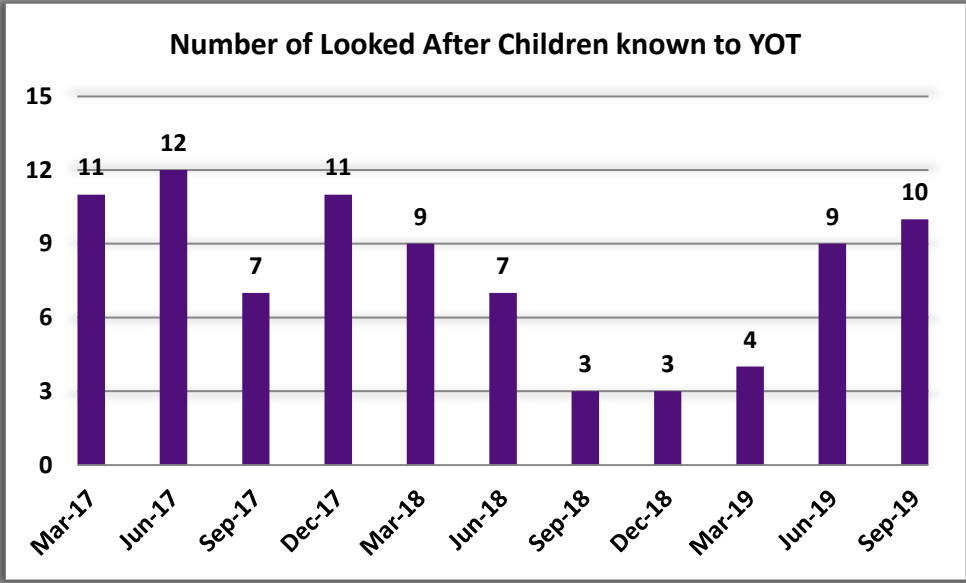


B16– CLA placed over 20 miles from home



The percentage of all new CLA placed more than 20 miles from home has decreased from the previous report to 14.8% due to the overall cohort increasing in size. The percentage of all CLA at the end of each month who are placed more than 20 miles from home has increased slightly from the last quarter with those placed more than 50 miles from home decreasing. In order to give a balanced view, these indicators exclude looked after children who are placed with parents, placed for adoption or are unaccompanied asylum seekers.

Mar-17	Jun-17	Sep-17	Dec-17	Mar-18	Jun-18	Sep-18	Dec-18	Mar-19	Jun-19	Sep-19
11	12	7	11	9	7	3	3	4	9	10



The number of Looked After Children known to YOT has increased by 1 in the last quarter. Harrow’s CLA offending rate is higher than comparators – this is being investigated and may be due to the comparatively small numbers of young people who are looked after, and a corresponding tendency towards higher levels of risk and vulnerability amongst this group.

% of children looked after for 1 year+ subject to a conviction, final warning or reprimand during the year

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Harrow		13.0%	15.0%	5.9%	6.6%
London	5.7%	6.0%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%
SN	6.6%	7.0%	7.3%	5.4%	3.8%
England	5.6%	5.0%	5.0%	4.0%	4.0%

