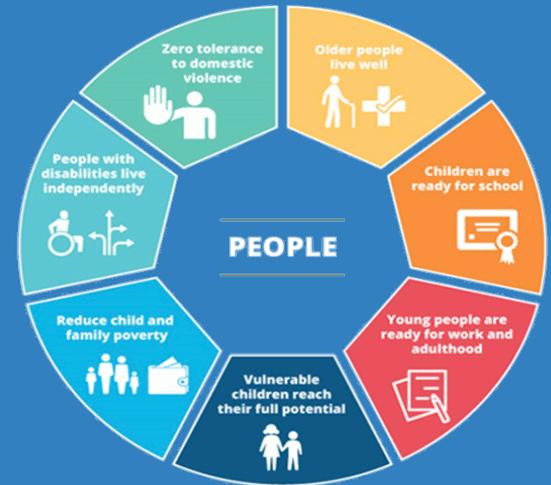


# Appendix 1

## Wirral Plan Children and Families Committee 2019-20 Quarter 2 Reports

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## Children are ready for school

### Overview from Lead Cabinet Member

The quarter 2 performance reporting shows adverse outcomes in some areas, with appropriate exceptions. Particularly for midwifery, as reported, the cessation of commissioned One to One Midwives service placed pressures on Wirral's University Teaching Hospital (WUTH) through unexpected rise in client number. The CCG are reviewing and discussing this in their respective forums. However, what is promising is the continued success of midwifery Continuity or Care planning (CCP) and the work underway to identify a further CCP site across Wirral.

There are some improvements across Health Visiting service reporting of attendance of development clinics, specifically where based alongside other services in community venues. Although with that said there does remain to be an acknowledged concern on the low % of women reported as attending 6-8 week development checks at GP practices. Anecdotally these checks are generally picked up outside reporting timelines by Health Visitors, ensuring the child is seen, which can skew the picture of this activity. It has already been raised with CCG, as to whether Wirral's GP consortium could take these concerns as a consideration for discussion.

Another adverse outcome in this quarter has been the Good Level of Development (GLD) %, at end of Reception. Wirral has seen around a 1% decrease, which remains below National average, from the previous academic year. The CRFS Pledge partnership appreciates the number of initiatives across the early years system that should boost this outcome, however, recognises there is still some way to go in fully understanding the baselines of key cohort groups such as CLA, SEND, FSM's to ensure their progress is measured across the journey to GLD. The continued development of LA's EY's Cohort Tracker across PVI/Childminder agencies will support this, alongside the development of Moderation Hubs for practitioners to be secure in their judgements of School Readiness.

Again whilst there are % fluctuations across this quarter in some key areas, overall since the life of the CRFS Pledge Partnership there remains to be an overall increase in most areas which is positive.

Wirral Plan Indicator	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	Q3	Q4	YE 2019/20	Trend (See Key)	Comment
Foundation Stage - % achieving a good level of development	Annual Higher is better	62.8% (2013-14 Acad Year)	England: 71.5% (2017-18 Acad Year) North West: 68.9% (2017-18 Acad Year) Statistical Neighbours: 69.9% (2017-18 Acad Year)	70.5% (2017-18 Acad Year)	-	69.5% (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)				Worse	This is the provisional figure for the 2018-19 Academic Year. This is a slight decrease of 1% since the previously reported period 70.5% (2017-18 acad year).

Supporting Measure	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	Q3	Q4	YE 2019/20	Trend	Comment
The percentage of women booked to access professional maternity services on or before 12+6 weeks gestation	Quarterly Higher is better	80.8% (Q3 2014-15)	-	88.0% (Jan - Mar 2019)	Amber 86.0% Target: 90.0% (Q1 2019-20)	Amber 79.0% Target: 90.0% (Q2 2019-20)				Worse	A significant decrease in performance is noted. This is primarily caused by the cessation of the One to One midwife Service that led to an unprecedented increase in demand for bookings (and late bookings) in August due to the transfer of women from that service. The bookings took place at various stages of the pregnancy contributing to non compliance of early bookings. Performance in July and Sept 85% and 90% respectively however performance in August was only 63% which has impacted the overall Q2 figure.
Take up of 2 year old offer by eligible families as identified by the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP)	Quarterly Higher is better	70.0% (Q1 2015-16)	England: 68.0% (Jan 2019) North West: 74.0% (Jan 2019) Statistical Neighbours: 76.3% (Jan 2019)	84.0% (Jan - Mar 2019)	Red 79.6% (P) Target: 96.0% (Mar - May 2019)	Red 80.4% Target: 96.0% (Mar - May 2019)				Worse	These are the finalised figures, reported provisionally in Q1. No further headcounts have been completed since last reported figure. The slight increase reported is due to the finalised headcount figure.
The achievement gap between pupils eligible for free school meals and their peers achieving a Good Level of Development in the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile	Annual Lower is better	20.0% (2013-14 Acad Year)	England: 17.0% (2016-17 Acad Year) North West: 18.0% (2016-17 Acad Year)	18.0% (2017-18 Acad Year)	-	23.7% (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)				Worse	Provisional figures show a worsening of the achievement gap of 5.7% since the last academic year. This means Wirral's gap is now wider than that at the start of the Wirral Plan (20.0%) and worse than that of England (17.0%) and the North West (18.0%)
Percentage of children aged 4-5 classified as overweight or obese	Annual Lower is better	22.40% (2014-15)	England: 22.40% (2017-18) North West: 23.90% (2017-18)	25.10% (2017-18 Acad Year)	-	-				n/a	2018-19 figures will become be available later in the year. The most recent figure was first reported in Q3 2018-19.

Supporting Measure	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	Q3	Q4	YE 2019/20	Trend	Comment
Percentage of infants who received a 6-8 week Development Check by the time they were 8 weeks	Quarterly Higher is better	84.6% (Q1 2015-16)	England: 85.5% (Q3 2018-19) North West: 88.7% (Q3 2018-19)	78.0% (2018-19)	Red 78.0% Target: 90.0% (Q4 2018-19)	Red 81.0% (P) Target: 90.0% (Q1 2018-19)				Better	This data is provisional Q1 data, and reported a quarter in arrears.  The number of reviews carried out has improved by 2% since the previously reported Quarter (Q4 2018-19) This measure is still under-performing and is lower than at Wirral plan start and than the England & North West benchmarks. Mapping has been undertaken to understand the locations where performance is suffering and the matter will be discussed at the CCG chief officer's group. <i>(There has been a data submission error in that performance for this reported quarter (Q1) has incorrectly been submitted to the national recording body as 56%. The provider is unable to rectify the figure submitted to the National Unit until the end of this year. The true figure is 81% as reported here).</i>
Percentage of children who received a 12 month Health Visitor review by the time they turned 12 months	Quarterly Higher is better	66.4% (Q1 2015-16)	England: 77.9% (Q3 2018-19) North West: 84.3% (Q3 2018-19)	89.0% (2018-19)	Green 89.0% Target: 85.0% (Q4 2018-19)	Green 83.0% (P) Target: 85.0% (Q1 2018-19)				Worse	This is a provisional figure and reported quarterly in arrears, so relates to Q1 2019/20. Whilst numbers of children receiving this review remain above the England average there has been a reduction in uptake from 89% in the previous quarter (Q4 2018-19) to 83% this (Q1). Records of attendance to be reviewed and a number of 'open' sessions (rather than appointments) are planned, targeted for children who did not attend during this quarter. The sessions will be advertised via Facebook and Children's Centres.
Percentage of children who received a 2-2½ year Health Visitor review	Quarterly Higher is better	73.0% (Q1 2015-16)	England: 76.4% (Q4 2017/18) North West: 79.9% (Q4 2017/18)	84.0% (Q4 2018-19)	Green 84.0% Target: 85.0% (Q4 2018-19)	Green 84.0% Target: 85.0% (Apr-Jun 2019)				Same	This is a provisional figure and reported quarterly in arrears, so relates to Q1 2019/20. Uptake of this review remains consistent with the previous quarters above the England average.
Hospital admissions caused by unintentional and deliberate injuries in children (aged 0-4 years), rate per 10,000	Annual Lower is better	133.5 (2014-15)	England: 121.2 (2017-18) North West: 172.8 (2017-18)	160.6 (2017-18)	-	-				n/a	Latest figure available is 160.6 (2017-18) The 2018-19 figure will become available in November 2019.
Percentage of early years childcare providers rated 'good' or 'outstanding' by Ofsted	Quarterly Higher is better	78.0% (Aug 2015)	England: 87.0% (Mar 2019) North West: 98.0% (Mar 2019) Statistical Neighbours: 93.6% (Mar 2019)	97.6% (2018-19)	Blue 97.6% Target: 95.0% (Jul 2019)	Blue 97.2% Target: 95.0% (Oct 2019)				Worse	This measure continues to over-perform despite a slight decrease of .4%. This is due a number of Good and Outstanding rated settings closing; no providers ratings have deteriorated. The Quality Improvement continue to support settings that are less than good.
Foundation Stage - % of children who are looked after achieving a good level of development	Annual Higher is better	20.0% (2013-14 Acad Year)		61.5% (2017-18 Acad Year)	-	57.7% (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)				n/a	This figure reflects a very small cohort of children (>15) and therefore can be a volatile figure. This is the provisional 2018-19 academic year figure. This is a reduction compared to the 2017-18 Academic year figure of 61.5%, and the Plan start figure of 20.0%. This figure is based on CLA for 12 months or more at the end of Reception year. Work is ongoing to establish how many of these children have SEND, whether they have had their 2 year developmental check and whether they had been meeting milestones.

## Young people are ready for work and adulthood

### Overview from Lead Cabinet Member

86% of Wirral schools are currently judged good or better by Ofsted. One primary school was upgraded from good to outstanding. A new Ofsted framework came into place in September 2019. There is a major focus on the intent, implementation and impact of the curriculum on learners. Any school will an Ofsted judgement of requires improvement must implement the curriculum without delay whereas good schools have a year to implement the new curriculum and must evidence an implementation plan. Since September 2019 four schools and a nursery school have been inspected.

At the age of 7 attainment in reading decreased in three localities. South Wirral was the only locality where the proportion of pupils achieving the expected standard showed an increase The proportion of boys and girls reaching the expected standard declined. SEN pupils attainment increased whilst Non-SEN pupils' attainment decreased so narrowing the gap. The proportion of SEN Pupils with an EHCP attaining the expected level in reading increased and the proportion of SEN pupils without an EHCP attainment also increased.

At the age of 11 the proportion of children attaining the expected standard in reading declined and is below the national average. All localities saw a decrease, the largest was in Birkenhead followed by South Wirral. Wallasey continues to have the smallest proportion of pupils achieving expected standard in reading and has a three year decline.

In mathematics there is a much more positive picture. The proportion of children attaining the expected standard in mathematics increased. All four localities, Birkenhead, Wallasey, West and South Wirral increased the proportion of pupils attaining the expected standard in mathematics, with Wallasey having the greatest increase improvement and Birkenhead having the least.

The attainment of both the boys and girls has increased with the boys outperforming the girls. The proportion of both boys and girls who achieved the expected standard in mathematics increased significantly in Wallasey and West Wirral.

At the age of 16 the provisional results indicate that Wirral is above the national average. The attainment 8 score of 48.2 is above the national average. Wirral's Progress 8 score of 0.01 is higher than the national average. More Wirral students achieved a strong pass in English and Mathematics(Grade 5+) than the national average.

Wirral Plan Indicator	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	2019-20 Q3	2019-20 Q4	Year End 2019-20	Trend (See Key)	Comment
Percentage of schools rated 'good' or 'outstanding' by Ofsted	Quarterly Higher is better	84.0% (Aug 2015)	England: 85.0% (Dec 2018) North West: 86.0% (Dec 218)	83.0% (YE 2018-19)	<b>Red</b> Actual: 83.0% Target: 100.0% (Q4 2018-19)	<b>Red</b> Actual: 83.0% Target: 100.0% (Q1 2019-20)				Same	The latest data available is Q1 2019-20 and is 83%, which is the same as the previous reporting period (Q4 2018-19), when this figure reached its lowest point since it was introduced (91% 2016-17). This is 2% below the England bench mark and 3% below that of the North West.
The % of young people aged 16 and 17 who are not in Employment, Education or Training (NEET) or categorised as 'not known' - Post Sept 2016	Monthly Lower is better	(n/a)	England: 6.0% (2017-18) North West: 6.5% (2017-18) Statistical Neighbours: 5.4% (2017-18)	5.3% (YE 2018-19)	<b>Red</b> Actual: 6.4% Target: 4.8% (June 2019)	-				n/a	Q2 figures will become available in early November 2019

Supporting Measure	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	2019-20 Q3	2019-20 Q4	Year End 2019-20	Trend	Comment
Progress 8 Score for Wirral	Annual Higher is better	(n/a)	North West: -0.17 (2017-18 Acad Year) Statistical Neighbours: -0.28 (2017-18 Acad Year)	0.03 (2017-18 Acad Year)						n/a	This is an annually reported measure and the latest available figures are for the 2017-18 Academic Year. This figure was reported on in Q4 2018-19. Provisional figures for the 2018-19 Acad year will be available late 2019.
The achievement gap between pupils eligible for free school meals and their peers achieving the 'expected standard' in English, reading, English writing and mathematics at the end of key stage 2.	Annual Lower is better	(n/a)	England: 22.0% (2017-18 Acad Year) North West: 23.0% (2017-18 Acad Year) Similar Peer Group: 22.8% (2017-18 Acad Year)	22.5% (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)						n/a	This is the new provisional annual figure for 2018-19 Academic year. The gap has closed slightly by 0.5% compared to the previous academic year 2017-18 and is in line with benchmarks, being just below that of the north west and Statistical neighbours and 0.5% higher than that of England.
The percentage of children in good or better schools as rated by Ofsted	Quarterly Higher is better	81.0% (Aug 2015)	England: 85.0% (Mar 2018) North West: 84.0% (Mar 2018)	83.0% (YE 2018-19)	83.0% (Q4 2018-19)					Same	This is the latest figure available as at 31st March 2019 and is a 1% decrease from the previous reporting period (Q3 2018-19). Although higher than at Wirral plan Start (83% 2015-16) this represents a continuing decrease from the 90% this measure achieved at YE 2016-17. We are below both the England (85%) and North West (84%) benchmarks.
The gap in progress between disadvantaged pupils and their peers at Key Stage 4	Annual Lower is better	(n/a)	England: 0.57 (2017-18 Acad Year) North West: 0.63 (2017-18 Acad Year) Statistical Neighbours: 0.70 (2017-18 Acad Year)	0.73 (2017-18 Acad Year)						n/a	This is an annually reported measure and the latest available figures are for the 2017-18 Academic Year. This figure was reported on in Q4 2018-19. Provisional figures for the 2018-19 Acad year will be available late 2019.

Supporting Measure	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	2019-20 Q3	2019-20 Q4	Year End 2019-20	Trend	Comment
The gap in progress between pupils with a SEN statement/EHCP and their peers at Key Stage 4	Annual Lower is better	(n/a)	England: 1.17 (2017-18 Acad Year) North West: 1.12 (2017-18 Acad Year) Statistical Neighbours: 1.04 (2017-18 Acad Year)	0.97 (2017-18 Acad Year)						n/a	This is an annually reported measure and the latest available figures are for the 2017-18 Academic Year. This figure was reported on in Q4 2018-19. Provisional figures for the 2018-19 Acad year will be available late 2019.
The percentage of persistent absence in Wirral Schools (post 2016)	Annual Lower is better	(n/a)	England: 10.8% (2018-19 Acad Year) North West: 10.7% (2018-19 Acad Year)	13.3% (2017-18 Acad Year)						n/a	Confirmed Summer 2019 Census is not available until October 2019. However data provisionally reported from National Consortium of Examination results (NCER) suggests a persistent absence rate of 12.3% for the 2018-19 Acad Year. This would represent a slight reduction in persistent absence, although our New Attendance Service is just starting.
The percentage of Children Looked After who attained a grade 4 or above in English and Maths at the end of Key Stage 4	Annual Higher is better	(n/a)	England: 17.5% (2016-17 Acad Year) North West: 16.8% (2016-17 Acad Year)	14.3% (2017-18 Acad Year)						n/a	This is an annually reported measure and the latest available figures are for the 2017-18 Academic Year. This figure was reported on in Q4 2018-19. Provisional figures for the 2018-19 Acad year will be available in December 2019.
Progress 8 Score for Children Looked After in Wirral	Annual Higher is better	(n/a)	England: -1.20 (2017-18 Acad Year) North West: -1.26 (2017-18 Acad Year) Statistical Neighbours: -1.31 (2017-18 Acad Year)	-1.58 (2017-18 Acad Year)						n/a	This is an annually reported measure and the latest available figures are for the 2017-18 Academic Year. This figure was reported on in Q4 2018-19. Provisional figures for the 2018-19 Acad year will be available in December 2019.
Reduce the percentage of permanent exclusions in Wirral - primary schools	Annual Lower is better	(2012-13)	England: 0.03% (2017-18 Acad Year) North West: 0.03% (2017-18 Acad Year)	-						n/a	This is the latest data published on 25/07/2019 and relates to the 2017-18 academic Year. In accordance with the Department for Education policy on confidentiality, percentages based on 5 pupils or fewer have been suppressed to reduce the risk of disclosing the identities of individuals. This is shown as a dash (-).
Reduce the percentage of permanent exclusions in Wirral - secondary schools	Annual Lower is better	0.11% (2012-13)	England: 0.20% (2017-18 Acad Year) North West: 0.29% (2017-18 Acad Year)	0.19% (2017-18 Acad Year)						n/a	This is an annually reported measure last reported on in Q1 2019-20 when the figures relating to the 2017-18 acad year were published. This represents a 0.09% decrease from the previous academic year, 2016-17 (0.28%). This figure is better than the North West benchmark by 0.10% and better than the England benchmark by 0.01%.
Rate of hospital admissions due to substance misuse in young people (15-24 years) per 100,000	Annual Lower is better	166.5 (2011/12 - 2013/14)	England: 87.9 (2015/16 - 2017-18) North West: 120.1 (2015/16 - 2017/18)	183.8 (2015/16 - 2017/18)						n/a	This is an annually reported figure, last reported on in Q1 2019-20, where it was noted that there has been a slow increase across the country for this indicator. At the start of this pledge, the rate in Wirral was higher than other regions and this gap has been maintained, neither decreasing nor improving. Work is currently underway to better understand the age group where there is a particular issue to enable more targeted work to be undertaken.
Under 18 conceptions - rate per 1,000	Annual Lower is better	33.7 (2013)	England: 18.8 (2016) North West: 22.3 (2016)	20.5 (2017)						n/a	This is an annually reported figure the latest figures available are from September 2017 and were reported on in Q4 2018-19. The next published performance is for 2018 and is expected to be available in March 2020.

### Vulnerable children reach their full potential

**Overview from Lead Cabinet Member**

Wirral Plan Indicator	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	2019-20 Q3	2019-20 Q4	Year End 2019-20	Trend (See Key)	Comment
Rate of Looked After Children per 10,000	Monthly Lower is better	99.3 (2014-15)	England: 64.0 (2017-18) North West: 91.0 (2017-18) Statistical Neighbours: 97.0 (2017-18)	123.2 (2018-19)	123.3 (Jun 2019)	123.9 (Sep 2019)				Worse	Numbers of children in care (CiC) remain high compared to our statistical neighbours and this is a long standing issue. However numbers have remained relatively stable for a significant period of time whilst many of our statistical neighbours are seeing their numbers of CiC go up during the time period referenced. This relatively stable picture highlights work across the service to address the numbers of CiC, and there has been a strong drive to ensure that relevant cases are discharged or moved to Special Guardianship Orders. There have been delays in the Court arena as well as the OFSTED inspection which had an impact on numbers going through, but there are significant numbers already in the Court arena and it is anticipated that discharges from care will increase in the coming months, which will be reflected in future reporting.
Children in Need rate per 10,000 0-17 population	Monthly Lower is better	426.3 (2014-15)	England: 341.0 (2017-18) North West: 379.0 (2017-18) Statistical Neighbours: 423.0 (2017-18)	387.1 (2018-19)	387.9 (Jun 2019)	347.6 (Sep 2019)				Better	The Children in Need (CiN) rate in Wirral is currently below the target range (409.5 - 420.9) and that of the North West benchmark. This is the lowest this rate has been since April 2018, and is considerably lower than at plan start. The reasons behind this include: 1)An increased focus throughout 2)A robust application of threshold at the front door 3)Increase recourse and capacity in family matters and community matters.
Rate of children who became the subject of a child protection plan per 10,000 children 0-17 population	Monthly Lower is better	34.5 (2014-15)	England: 45.3 (2017-18) North West: 53.7 (2017-18) Statistical Neighbours: 50.0 (2017-18)	63.8 (2018-19)	59.2 (Jun 2019)	55.9 (Sep 2019)				Better	The number of children on a child protection plan by month: Jun 51 Jul 45 Aug 42 The number of plans that ceased during last months of the quarter was low, just 8 plans ended during August, compared to 71 in July. A similar trend can be seen in past years and the reason behind this is that removing a child from a plan is a multi-agency decision. Schools are closed over the summer, so where possible decisions are scheduled for July which explains that spike.

Supporting Measure	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	2019-20 Q3	2019-20 Q4	Year End 2019-20	Trend	Comment
Take up of 2 year old offer by eligible families as identified by the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP)	Quarterly Higher is better	70.0% (Q1 2015-16)	England: 68.0% (Jan 2019) North West: 74.0% (Jan 2019) Statistical Neighbours: 76.3% (Jan 2019)		Amber Actual: 79.6% (P) Target: 96.0% (Mar - May 2019)	Amber Actual: 80.4% Target: 96.0% (May 2019)				Better	These are the finalised figures, reported provisionally in Q1. No further headcounts have been completed since last reported figure. The slight increase reported is due to the finalised headcount figure
Foundation Stage - % of children who are looked after achieving a good level of development	Annual Higher is better	20.0% (2013-14 Acad Year)		57.7% (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)						n/a	This figure reflects a very small cohort of children (>15) and therefore can be a volatile figure. This is the provisional 2018-19 academic year figure. This is a reduction compared to the 2017-18 Academic year figure of 61.5%, and the Plan start figure of 20.0%. This figure is based on CLA for 12 months or more at the end of Reception year. Work is ongoing to establish how many of these children have SEND, whether they have had their 2 year developmental check and whether they had been meeting milestones.

Supporting Measure	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	2019-20 Q3	2019-20 Q4	Year End 2019-20	Trend	Comment
The percentage of referrals to Children's Social Care that are within 12 months of one or more previous referrals.	Monthly Lower is better	22.80% (2014-15)	England: 21.90% (2017-18) North West: 22.30% (2017-18) Statistical Neighbours: 18.00% (2017-18)	24.70% (YE 2018-19)	26.20% (Jun 2019)	25.60% (P) (Sept 2019)				Better	Referral rates saw an increase during the months prior to the summer namely June and July. This follows a similar pattern during 2018 which coincides with the closures of schools for the summer break. From analysing the data in more detail there are a number of factors which result in repeat referrals: 1) Case were escalated from early services 2) Case closures from the assessment service without an identified lead professional 3) Responses to initial referrals has not fully taken into account the broader issues which have then resulted in a repeat referral. <b>Action underway</b> 1) All re-referrals are now screened in the Integrated Front Door (IFD) via a multi agency daily morning meeting 2) Where a case has previously had early help intervention and is then referred back into the IFD this will not automatically result in a referral to level 4. 3) A reminder has been sent to partner agencies around the need to be clear about the reason for the referral and the impact upon the child. 4) The A&I service have nominated officers from early help to ensure a robust step down procedure is followed. 5) A programme of learning from audits alongside training on assessment analysis to ensure that practitioners complete holistic assessments.
Children's Centre's sustained contact with priority groups in early years	Quarterly Higher is better	(n/a)		60.81% (YE 2018-19)	Red Actual: 60.31% Target: 75.00% (Jul 2018 - Jun 2019)					n/a	Figure will become available November 2019
Percentage of individuals subject to Team Around Family episodes closed with needs met	Quarterly Higher is better	(n/a)		67.7% (YE 2018-19)	88.0% (Q1 2019-20)					n/a	Figure will become available November 2019

## People with disabilities live independent lives

### Overview from Lead Cabinet Member

The Employment rate aged 16-64 - Equality Act core or Work Limiting Disabled measure from the Office for National Statistics increased again to 51.8%, its highest level since the Wirral Plan began. It's up 0.8 percentage point since the previous quarter and 12.5 percentage points since the start of the plan. The employment rate is now higher than the rest of the North West for the first time since the plan began and is improving at a faster rate than the rest of the country.

The Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) is working with Wirral Council to progress the Council to Disability Confident Level 3. Wirral Council are also keen to look at how this can best filter down through all departments so it's fully imbedded in the organisation which is really encouraging.

The number of people in receipt of personal budgets this quarter reduced by 1. 8 more adults received personal budgets this quarter (up to 599) whilst the number of young people in receipt of personal budgets reduced by 9 (down to 169). Despite the slight drop this quarter 133 more people are in receipt of personal budgets than at the start of the plan.

Adults with a learning disability who live in stable and appropriate accommodation has improved again this quarter, now up to 88.2% compared to 84% when the measure was introduced at the start of 2016-17. Ensuring people with disabilities have stable and appropriate accommodation improves their safety, increases their independence and reduces their risk of social exclusion.

There will have been an increase of 102 units of extra care by the end of 2019/20. A further 180 will be delivered by the end of 2020-21 and another 257 units by the end of 2021-22. We're on track to deliver more than the original target of 300 units however timescales will not be met owing to the impact of the significant delay on the Government decision regarding funding for Extra Care schemes as part of its review of funding for supported housing schemes.

A Wirral specific guide about moving into independent living is being produced. Examples of good practice from different organisations and geographical regions are being collected and examined. The format of the guide is being discussed and the possibility of producing a video guide is under discussion.

A service review is underway aimed at improving the efficiency and effectiveness of Assisted Travel Service.

Wirral Plan Indicator	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	2019-20 Q3	2019-20 Q4	Year End 2019-20	Trend (See Key)	Comment
Health related quality of life for people with long term conditions	Annual Higher is better	0.698 (Jul 2014 - Mar 2015)	England: 0.737 (Jan-Mar 2017)	0.700 (2018-19)						n/a	We're awaiting the 2019-20 data. Health-related quality of life for people with long-term conditions improved to 0.700 in Jan-Mar 2017 compared to 0.695 the previous period but falls short of the average for the rest of England (0.737).  This data is captured by NHS England through the GP Patient Survey and reported as part of the NHS Outcomes Framework.
Employment rate aged 16-64 - Equality Act core or Work Limiting Disabled	Quarterly Higher is better	37.5% (Jul 2014 - Jun 2015)	England: 55.4% (Oct 2017 - Sep 2018) North West: 51.4% (Oct 2017 - Sep 2018)	49.0% (Jan - Dec 2018)	51.0% (Apr 18 - Mar 19)	51.8% (Jul 18 - Jun 19)				Better	The Employment rate aged 16-64 - Equality Act core or Work Limiting Disabled measure from the Office for National Statistics increased again to 51.8%, its highest level since the Wirral Plan began. It's up 0.8 percentage point since the previous quarter and 12.5 percentage points since the start of the plan.

Supporting Measure	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	2019-20 Q3	2019-20 Q4	Year End 2019-20	Trend	Comment
The gap in progress between pupils with a SEN statement/EHCP and their peers at Key Stage 4	Annual Lower is better	(n/a)	England: 1.17 (2017-18 Acad Year) North West: 1.12 (2017-18 Acad Year) Statistical Neighbours: 1.04 (2017-18 Acad Year)	0.97 (2017-18 Acad Year)						n/a	This is an annually reported measure and the latest available figures are for the 2017-18 Academic Year. This figure was reported on in Q4 2018-19. Provisional figures for the 2018-19 Acad year will be available late 2019.
Proportion of people with long term conditions who feel supported to manage their condition	Annual Higher is better	66.7% (Jul 2014 - Mar 2015)	England: 59.6% (Jan-Mar 2018)	60.1% (Jan- Mar 2018)						n/a	We're awaiting the 2019-20 data. The proportion of people who are feeling supported to manage their condition is 60.1% for the period January 2018 - March 2018. This has reduced from 67.2% the previous year. Whilst this reduction is disappointing it reflects the sentiment across the rest of the country. The national average is 59.6%, down from 64% last year.
The number of disabled people in receipt of personal budgets (including Direct Payments and Personal Health Budgets)	Quarterly Higher is better	(n/a)		794 (2018-19)	769 (Q1 2019-20)	768 (Q1 2019-20)				n/a	The number of people in receipt of personal budgets this quarter reduced by 1. 599 adults were reported by the Department of Adult Social Services to be in receipt of personal budgets (up from 591 last quarter). 169 young people were in receipt of personal budgets (down from 178 last quarter).  133 more people are in receipt of personal budgets than at the start of the plan.
Adults with a learning disability who live in stable and appropriate accommodation	Quarterly Higher is better	(n/a)	North West: 85.2% (Q1 2019-20)	84.1% (2018-19)	85.5% (Q1 2019-20)	88.2% (Q2 2019-20)				n/a	The Q2 figure of 88.2% has improved from last quarter (85.5%) and has improved by 4.2 percentage points from when the measure was included at the start of 2016-17 (84%). We're also now performing better than the latest North West benchmark (85.2%).

## Zero tolerance to domestic violence

### Overview from Lead Cabinet Member

Through a strong coordinated partnership approach, Wirral has developed a range of strategies to tackle the complex issue of Domestic Abuse including, helping children who suffer the effects of domestic abuse, supporting victims and rehabilitating offenders. Putting children and young people at the heart of our response to Domestic Abuse we have commissioned the Leapfrog Programme, through Involve North West (INW). The programme provides support to children and their mothers affected by Domestic Abuse. Operation Encompass directly connects the police with schools to secure better outcomes for children who are subject to or experience police-attended incidents of domestic abuse. Critical to making victims and children safer is to reduce the likelihood of re-offending. Youth Offending Service officers have been trained to support young people who have shown violence and aggression towards their parents/guardians and prevent these young people becoming perpetrators in adulthood. Families have been identified for support and an action plan is set for the year ahead. In addition it was pleasing to attend a civic event at which the Mayor presented 8 organisations with their certificates on signing up to a Domestic Abuse quality mark in their respective organisations. This Quality Mark award recognises organisations who have received training on Domestic Abuse and who have a robust and supportive policy for supporting their staff and clients who may be presenting as victims of domestic abuse.

Wirral Plan Indicator	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	2019-20 Q3	2019-20 Q4	Year End 2019-20	Trend (See Key)	Comment
Number of domestic abuse Wirral MARAC cases per 10,000 adult females (annualised)	Quarterly	54.0 (2014-15)	Most Similar Force Group: 58.0 (Jul 2018 - Jun 2019) National: 39.0 (Jul 2018 - Jun 2019)	52.4 (2018-19)	44.2 (Jul 2018 - Jun 2019)	47.0 (Oct 2018 - Sep 2019)				n/a	The number of Wirral MARAC cases heard were 47.04 females (over 16) per 10,000 population (this includes repeat victims within the 12 month period). This compares to 52.4 year end 2018-19.  1202 referrals were received between Oct 2018 and Sept 2019 (annualised). This compares to 988 in the period Oct 2017 to Sept 2018 demonstrating an increase of 214 referrals, an increase of 21.6%  It is unclear why there has been an increase however some known factors include, an increase in public awareness due to campaigns, changes in centralised police reporting systems and additional awareness within agencies for example the presence of An IDVA at Arrowe Park Hospital.
Children and young people experience domestic abuse (Wirral MARAC cases)	Quarterly	1,289 (2014-15)		1,192 (2018-19)	226 (Apr - Jun 2019)	458 (Jul-Sep 2019)				n/a	This includes children of victims and perpetrators, for example perpetrators children who live with another parent but have contact.
Percentage of incidents of repeat domestic abuse (Wirral MARAC cases)	Quarterly Lower is better	16.0% (2014-2015)	Most Similar Force Group: 35.0% (Jul 2018 - Jun 2019) National: 30.0% (Jul 2018 - Jun 2019)	27.1% (2018-19)	22.3% (Apr 2018 - Mar 2019)					Better	October to September to be announced in Q3
Supporting Measure	Indicator	Wirral Plan Start	Benchmark Data	Year End 2018-19	2019-20 Q1	2019-20 Q2	2019-20 Q3	2019-20 Q4	Year End 2019-20	Trend	Comment
Number of Domestic Abuse cases referred to the Family Safety Unit (FSU)	Quarterly	949 (2014-15)		1,111 (2018-19)	224 (Apr - Jun 2019)	393 (Jul - Sep 2019)				n/a	This figure is for Q2 equates to 393 referrals in total. Of these 240 were heard at MARAC, 380 were female, 13 were male (3.3% compared with national average of 4.2%), 109 did not meet MARAC threshold and 44 deleted as errors
% of children and Young People single assessments completed with Domestic Violence (DV) related factors	Quarterly Lower is better	(n/a)		27.0% (2018-19)	21.1% (Apr - Jun 2019)	19.3% (Apr - Sep 2019)				Better	This compares to Q2 2018 32.4% and Q2 2017 33.8% This compares to Q2 2018 32.4% and Q2 2017 33.8%
Rate of referrals to social care presenting Domestic Violence issues (adults aged 18+ years) per 100,000	Quarterly Higher is better	(n/a)		12.12 (2018-19)	1.24 (Apr - Jun 2019)	2.17 (Apr - Sep 2019)				Worse	This compares to Q2 2018 6.52 and Q2 2017 7.49

**Report Key**

**Trend** - Performance is shown as Better, Same or Worse compared with the last reporting period except for:

The % of young people aged 16 and 17 who are not in Employment, Education or Training (NEET) or categorised as 'not known' - Post Sept 2016 which is compared with the same period the previous year.

% of children and Young People single assessments authorised with Domestic Violence (DV) related factors,

Rate of referrals to social care presenting Domestic Violence issues (adults aged 18+ years) per 100,000 which are compared with same period the previous year.

**Target** - Where targets apply, these are shown as either Blue, Green, Amber, Red based on the agreed tolerance range for individual measures.

**Action** - These are shown as either:

•Blue (Over-Achieving has met and surpassed target set)

•Green (on track to deliver on time)

•Amber (off track but action being taken to deliver on time)

•Red (off track and won't deliver on time)