

# Appendix 1

## Wirral Plan Children and Families Committee 2019-20 Quarter 3 Reports



## Children are ready for school

### Overview from Lead Cabinet Member

The quarter 3 performance reporting shows a mixture of improvements and adverse outcomes in some areas, with appropriate exceptions.

Midwifery figures have recovered from a significant dip in Q2 caused by the cessation of commissioned One to One Midwives service, which placed pressures on Wirral's University Teaching Hospital (WUTH) through unexpected rise in client number. This figure now stands at 95% and is above target.

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.

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: 71.8% (2018-19 Acad Year) North West: 68.9% (2018-19 Acad Year) Statistical Neighbours: 70.3% (2018-19 Acad Year)	70.5% (2017-18 Acad Year)	-	69.5% (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)	69.3% (2018-19 Acad Year)			Worse	This is the confirmed 2018-19 Academic Year figure, provisionally reported in Q2 as 69.5%. This has dipped by 1% from the 2017-18 figure (70.5%), but in much improved on the baseline figure of 47% where we stood in 2013-14.

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 Actual: 86.0% Target: 90.0% (Q1 2019-20)	Amber Actual: 79.0% Target: 90.0% (Q2 2019-20)	Green Actual: 95.0% Target: 90.0% (Q3 2019-20)			Better	Performance shows a significant improvement since Q2, where figures dipped to 79%. This drop was due to 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. Booking have recovered well and 90% of pregnant women in Wirral are booked in to professional maternity services before 12+6weeks.
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% Target: 96.0% (Q1 2019-20)	Amber Actual: 80.4% Target: 96.0% (Q2 2019-20)	Amber Actual: 87.6% Target: 96.0% (Q3 2019-20)			Better	Based on October 2019 Headcount. This equates to an increase of 38 children accessing the funding.
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% (2018-19 Acad Year) North West: 18.0% (2018-19 Acad Year) Statistical Neighbours: 19.4% (2018-19 Acad Year)	18.0% (2017-18 Acad Year)		23.7% (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)	23.0% (2018-19 Acad Year)			Worse	This is the confirmed figure for the 2018-19 Acad Year, provisionally reported in Q2 as 23.7%. This is the highest this figure has been since the start of the plan (20% 2013-14 acad year). The period before this, 2017-18 Academic Year, the figure was 18%, which was a good reduction from 2016-17 Academic Year where the figure stood at 22%. This now brings us well above our statistical neighbours.
Percentage of children aged 4-5 classified as overweight or obese	Annual Lower is better	22.40% (2014-15)	England: 22.60% (2019-20) North West: 24.40% (2019-20)	25.10% (2017-18 Acad Year)			24.1% (2018-19 Acad Year)			Better	This figure represents a slight improvement from the previous year. The rolling 5 year average for overweight/obesity is 24%. The rolling 5 year average for obesity is 9.7% which is below the North West average (10.1%) and marginally above the England average (9.4%).
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: 86.5% (Q1 2019-20) North West: 87.2% (Q1 2019-20)		Red Actual: 78.0% Target: 90.0% (Q4 2018-19)	Amber Actual: 81.0% Target: 90.0% (Q1 2019-20)	Red Actual: 77.0% Target: 90.0% (Q2 2019-20)			Worse	The data for this indicator is reported a quarter in arrears, and relates to Q2 2019-20. There has been a further reduction in performance since the previous quarter. Mapped data identifying areas of concern is being taken to the CCG Clinical Director's Meeting in February to address this. Uptake for the 8 week maternal mood reviews for mother's of this cohort of babies is 88.6%.
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: 78.3% (Q1 2019-20) North West: 85.6 (Q1 2019-20)		Green Actual: 89.0% Target: 85.0% (Q4 2018-19)	Green Actual: 83.0% Target: 85.0% (Q1 2019-20)	Green Actual: 83.0% Target: 85.0% (Q2 2019-20)			Same	The team have reviewed performance across the teams to understand whether there are any issues/themes impacting upon uptake. The new model for the 0-19 Service which starts in February when the new contract starts will provide greater flexibility to address issues identified. The teams are also working with early years teams to access children attending their sessions and providing drop-in sessions at Children's Centres.

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 children who received a 2-2½ year Health Visitor review	Quarterly Higher is better	73.0% (Q1 2015-16)	England: 76.8%(Q1 2019-20) North West: 85% (Q1 2019-20)	84.0% (Q4 2018-19)	<b>Green</b> Actual: 84.0% Target: 85.0% (Q4 2018-19)	<b>Green</b> Actual: 84.0% Target: 85.0% (Q1 2019-20)	<b>Green</b> Actual: 87.0% Target: 85.0% (Q2 2019-20)			Better	Uptake of this developmental review continues to increase and will be further strengthened when the new model is implemented in the 0-19 team.
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	Wirral's rate has been statistically worse than the England's for the past 3 reported years now. The latest reported period shows Wirral's performance decreasing in 2017/18. Wirral remains lower (better) than the North West rate. 2018-19 data will become available in March 2020.
Percentage of early years childcare providers rated 'good' or 'outstanding' by Ofsted	Quarterly Higher is better	78.0% (Aug 2015)	England: 96.0% (Aug 19) North West: 96.0% (Aug 19) Statistical Neighbours: 96.0% (Aug 19)	97.6% (2018-19)	<b>Blue</b> Actual: 97.6% Target: 95.0% (Q1 2019-20)	<b>Blue</b> Actual: 97.2% Target: 95.0% (Q2 2019-20)	<b>Blue</b> Actual: 96.0% Target: 95.0% (Q3 2019-20)			Worse	Performance has been maintained during Q3, despite some closures of good & outstanding settings.
Foundation Stage - % of children who are looked after achieving a good level of development at the end of Reception year.	Annual Higher is better	20.0% (2013-14 Acad Year)		61.5% (2017-18 Acad Year)		57.7% (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)	57.7% (2018-19 Acad Year)			n/a	This is the confirmed figure for the 2018-19 academic year, provisionally reported in Q2, and has not altered from the provisional 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 figures reflects a very small cohort of children and therefore can be a volatile figure.

### Young people are ready for work and adulthood

#### Overview from Lead Cabinet Member

This quarter sees us reporting on several annual figures for the first time this reporting year.

It is pleasing to see improvements in the Achievement Gap between children on FSM and their peers and Progress 8 scores of CLA. However, the overall progress 8 score has in Wirral has worsened, as have the gaps in progress between disadvantaged pupils and children with SEN and their peers.

85% of Wirral schools are currently judged good or better by Ofsted, and there has been an improvement in the % of children attending good or better schools to 86%. 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.

The NEET figure has recovered in Q3 after an increase in Q2 caused by recording issues. As reported, the 2019 September Guarantee process has been very robust and enabled an efficient and timely confirmation of the uptake of places.

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Percentage of schools rated 'good' or 'outstanding' by Ofsted	Quarterly Higher is better	84.0% (Aug 2015)	England: 86.0% (Aug 2019) North West: 85.0% (Aug 2019)	83.0% (YE 2018-19)	Red Actual: 83.0% Target: 100.0% (Q4 2018-19)	Red Actual: 83.0% Target: 100.0% (Q1 2019-20)	Red Actual: 85.0% Target: 100.0% (Q2 2019-20)			Better	The latest data available is Q2 2019-20 and is 85%. This is a 2% improvement on the previous reporting period (Q1 2018-19), when this figure reached its lowest point since it was introduced. This brings us in line with the North West bench mark of 85% and closer to that of England (86%).
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)	Red Actual: 6.4% Target: 4.8% (Q1 2019-20)	Red Actual: 22.7% Target: 4.8% (Q2 2019-20)	Amber Actual: 5.2% Target: 4.8% (Q3 2019-20)			Better	The 2019 September Guarantee process, led by the 14-19 Team, was very robust in 2019 with timely confirmation of planned places for school leavers and year 12 young people transitioning to year 13. This has enabled the confirmation of places taken up to also be completed more efficiently and timely.

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: -0.18 (2018-19 Acad Year) Statistical Neighbours: -0.25 (2018-19 Acad Year)	0.3 (2017-18 Acad Year)			0.1 (2018-19 Acad Year)			Worse	This is the newly reported provisional figure for the 2018-19 Academic Year. This a reduction of the 2017-18 figure of .3 and below the North West and Statistical Neighbour benchmarks.
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: 21.0% (2018-19 Acad Year) North West: 22.0% (2018-19 Acad Year) Similar Peer Group: 22.7% (2018-19 Acad Year)	23.0% (2017-18 Acad Year)		22.5% (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)	22.0% (2018-19 Acad Year)			Better	This is the confirmed figure for the 2018-19 Academic Year, provisionally reported as 22.5% in Q2. The gap has closed by 1% compared to the previous academic year 2017-18. The gap is worse than the England (21%) and North West (22%) Benchmarks. The gap is narrower compared to the statistical neighbour benchmarks (0.3%) but is still worse.
The percentage of children in good or better schools as rated by Ofsted	Quarterly Higher is better	81.0% (Aug 2015)	England: 84.0% (Aug 2019) North West: 86.0% (Aug 2019)	83.0% (YE 2018-19)	83.0% (Q4 2018-19)		86.0% (Q2 2019-20)			Better	This is the latest figure available as at 31st August 2019 and is a 2% increase from the previously reported data (Q4 2018-19). Although higher than at Wirral plan Start (83% 2015-16) this represents a decrease from the 90% this measure achieved at YE 2016-17. We are are however above the England benchmark of 84% and at parity with the North West benchmark of 86%.
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)			0.83 (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)			Worse	This is the provisional figure for the 2018-19 Academic Year and represents a widening of the progress gap by .10 points since the 2017-18 academic year (0.73). This places us well above the benchmarks of England (0.57), North West (0.63) and Statistical Neighbours (0.70).
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)			1.25 (P) (2018-19 Acad Year)			Worse	This is the provisional figure for the 2018-19 Academic Year and represents a widening of the progress gap of .28 points since the 2017-18 academic year (0.97). This places us well above the benchmarks of England (1.17), North West (1.12) and Statistical Neighbours (1.04).
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: 10.8% (2018-19 Acad Year)	13.3% (2017-18 Acad Year)						n/a	Provisional Department of Education (DoE) figures are not available until March 2020. However data provisionally reported from National Consortium of Examination results (NCER) suggests a persistent absence rate of 11.6% for the 2018-19 Acad Year. This would represent a reduction in persistent absence compared to the 2018-19 DoE figure of 13.3%.
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. Figures for the 2018-19 Acad year will be available in Q4 2018-19.

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 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)			-1.49 (P) (2018-19 Acad year)			Better	This measure monitors the progress for all children who are looked after from Primary School to the end of Key Stage 4. This is the provisional Progress 8 score for Children Looked After in Wirral for the 2018-19 academic year and is an improvement of .9 points since the 2017-18 academic year (-1.58). We are still performing less well than the England (-1.20), North West (-1.26) and Statistical Neighbour (-1.31) benchmarks)
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)	- (2017-18 Acad year)						n/a	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 (-). This is the latest data published on 25/07/2019 and relates to the 2017-18 academic Year.
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)	0.28% (2016-17 Acad Year)	0.19% (2017-18 Acad Year)					Better	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)	179.2 (2014/15 - 2016/17)	183.8 (2015/16 - 2017/18)					Worse	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: 16.8 (Sept 2018) North West: 21.1 (Sept 2018)	20.5 (2017)						Better	This is an annually reported figure the latest figures available are from September 2017 and were reported on in Q4 2018-19, and is a reduction compared to the previous reported year (25.9 2016). 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

It is pleasing to report that most measures have seen an improvement this quarter. The numbers of Children in Need and Children in Care continue to fall, as have the number of children on Protection plans. The introduction of a Weekly Accommodation Gateway Meetings (AGMs) which has been successful in producing robust care planning and support, thus preventing the necessity for care orders in some cases.

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Children in Need rate per 10,000 including care leavers (aged 18+) with an open referral	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)	418.8 (2018-19)	429.4 (Q1 2019-20)	390.7 (Q2 2019-20)	379.0 (Q3 2019-20)			Better	The number of Children in Need (CIN) continues to fall. And in December was the lowest level since in Apr 18. This can be attributed to the robust application of thresholds at the Integrated Front Door coupled with increased capacity within the early help service through community matters and family 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 (Q1 2019-20)	55.9 (Q2 2019-20)	52.5 (Q3 2019-20)			Better	In recent months we have seen a fall in the number of children on a child protection (CP) plan. The percentage of children on a second or subsequent CP plan has fallen to just 10% in December compared to 20.7% in November. This equates to 30 children starting a plan for a second or subsequent time. None of these children have been on a plan in the past two years.
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 (Q1 2019-20)	123.9 (Q2 2019-20)	121.9 (Q3 2019-20)			Better	The number of Children Looked After (CLA) stood at 824 at the end of December. The number has remained relatively stable with no large increases, but equally no large decreases. Weekly Accommodation Gateway Meetings (AGM) are now in place aimed at preventing children coming into care by providing robust care planning and creative solutions. This has been successful and very few children presented to panel have been accommodated with diversions and plans to support children to remain with their family. On the flip side, no children being received into care have returned home recently. There has been a review of the children coming into care with no cases assessed as inappropriate for entering care (i.e. they were at ongoing significant risk of harm and a return home at that point would be highly risky to their welfare). The AGM process will continue to challenge and support practitioners in discharging their duties under The Children Act and managing to support families as much as possible. Discharge work around Placement with Parents and Special Guardianship Order (SGO) continues apace with projected numbers outlined for the next few months by Team managers. This is reviewed by the ADM and the relevant Heads Of Service.

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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% (YE 2018-19)	Amber Actual: 79.6% Target: 96.0% (Q1 2019-20)	Amber Actual: 80.4% Target: 96.0% (Q2 2019-20)	Amber Actual: 87.6% Target: 96.0% (Q3 2019-20)			Better	Based on October 2019 Headcount. This equates to an increase of 38 children accessing the funding.
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)	57.7% (2018-19 Acad Year)			n/a	This is the confirmed figure for the 2018-19 academic year, provisionally reported in Q2, and has not altered from the provisional 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 figures reflects a very small cohort of children and therefore can be a volatile figure.

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% (Q1 2019-20)	25.60% (Q2 2019-20)	26.80% (Q3 2019-20)			Worse	There has been a slight increase in the number of repeat referrals, we continue to be above the level of our benchmarks, as well as that at the start of the Plan.
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	
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	This figure will become available in March 2020.

## 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.

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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)	53.8% (Oct 18 - Sep 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 53.8%, its highest level since the Wirral Plan began. It's up 2 percentage point since the previous quarter and 16.3 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 (Q2 2019-20)	786 (Q3 2019-20)			Worse	The number of people in receipt of personal budgets this quarter increased by 18. 614 adults were reported by the Department of Adult Social Services to be in receipt of personal budgets (up from 599 last quarter). 172 young people were in receipt of personal budgets (up from 169 last quarter).  151 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)	86.0% (Q3 2019-20)			Better	The Q3 figure of 86% has worsened from last quarter (88.2%) but has improved by 2 percentage points from when the measure was included at the start of 2016-17 (84%). We're performing better than the latest available 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, to raise awareness of the need to reduce parental conflict, funding secured from DWP bid is currently being used to deliver a series of training in line with the Resilience Framework for professional training. Our goal is to have trained a total of 300+ Wirral professionals by Christmas.

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 Higher is better	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)	64.0 (Oct 2018 - Sep 2019)	71.0 (Jan-Dec 2019)			Better	The number of Wirral MARAC cases heard were 71 females (over 16) per 10,000 population (this includes repeat victims within the 12 month period). The introduction of an IDVA based at the Hospital has increased referrals to MARAC. Police reporting systems have also been centralised which may also have contributed.
Children and young people experience domestic abuse (Wirral MARAC cases)	Quarterly Higher is better	1,289 (2014-15)		1,192 (2018-19)	226 (2019-20 Q1)	458 (2019-20 Q2)	484 (2019-20 Q3)			Better	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)	31.4% (Apr 2018 - Mar 2019)	25.0% (Oct 2018 - Sep 2019)	26.0% (Jan-Dec 2019)			Worse	Safelives recommendation for repeat cases is 28-40%. This may indicate that victims are not always reporting repeat incidents.

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 Higher is better	949 (2014-15)		1,111 (2018-19)	224 (2019-20 Q1)	373 (2019-20 Q2)	278 (2019-20 Q3)			Worse	Of 278 individuals referred in Q3, 196 were heard at MARAC (295 total heard at MARAC including repeat incidents). This would indicate that 30% of referrals into FSU did not meet the threshold. These cases are listed for daily DA meetings to identify services that can support the victim.
% 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% (2019-20 Q1)	19.3% (2019-20 Q2)	22.7% (2019-20 Q3)			Better	Better than previous years, compared to Q3 2018 28.2% and Q3 2017 34.3%. Prevention of violence and abuse is a critical element in tackling many other issues as it impacts on mental wellbeing, physical health and quality of life. Violence is contagious. Exposure to violence and abuse, especially as a child, makes individuals more likely to be involved in this behaviour later in life.
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)	3.70 (2019-20 Q1)	7.40 (2019-20 Q2)	11.41 (2019-20 Q3)			Better	This compares to Q3 2018 9.32% and Q3 2017 16.56%.

### 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)