

Title of paper:	Children's Partnership Board Q2 Performance Report (Exceptions)	
Report to:	Children's Partnership Board	
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Director(s)/Corporate Director(s):	Candida Brudenell	Wards affected: All
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Relevant Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) objectives(s):		
Provide early, effective support and protection to children, young people and families		Yes
Nurture and support strong, healthy families		Yes
Increase children and young people's emotional resilience and the maturity of their decision-making		Yes
Ensure that all our children, young people and families are provided with a sound foundation for lifelong learning and progression into skilled economic activity		Yes
Reduce deprivation and its impact on children and young people		Yes
Summary of issues (including benefits to customers/service users):		
<p>This exceptions report focuses on the Q2 performance indicators reviewed by the Senior Officers Group on 9th November 2009 in the full performance report.</p> <p>Those performance indicators listed are shown to be either significantly off target or showing a significant downward trend against previous reporting periods. The exceptions report will only focus on those indicators where data has been reported in that quarter.</p>		
Recommendations:		
1	That the Board discuss the exception report and consider partnership actions to redress the issues it reveals.	

1. BACKGROUND AND PROPOSALS

The Children's Partnership Board has requested an exceptions based report instead of the full performance report. The Senior Officers Group now receives the full quarterly report together with the exceptions report. The exceptions report is then submitted to the following Board meeting. The full performance report is available to the Board on request.

2. RISKS:

The risk to the CYPP of not producing this report is that performance and delivery of it cannot be properly assessed within the partnership. The risks associated with producing this report relate to the time needed to compile it and the frequency with which the partnership will want to view it.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

5. CLIENT GROUP:

All children in the city

6. IMPACT ON EQUALITIES ISSUES

Measures contained in the performance report include equalities measures and breakdowns

7. OUTCOMES AND PRIORITIES AFFECTED:

All outcomes and priorities

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Further background documents, for reading after the meeting, can be tabled on the day if required. Please list relevant papers and inform colleagues if they need to undertake additional research on this paper BEFORE the meeting.

Children's Partnership Board

Q2 Performance Report

Exceptions

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Priority 1 - Refocusing services on prevention and early intervention

Description (Good Performance)	Outturn 07/08	Q1 08/09	Q2 08/09	Outturn 08/09	Q1 09/10	Q2 09/10	YTD 09/10	Target 09/10	SN Data	England
Number of CAFs initiated (High)	112	72	86	466	119	86	205	~	~	~
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Number of CAFs initiated at Q2 09/10 rose by 47 (29.8%) compared to Q2 08/09 ▪ Current rate being initiated will not achieve the 08/09 outturn figure ▪ Number of initiations each month continues to fluctuate ▪ Future strategies being put in place include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ designated CAF leads within agencies ○ development of an Integrated Processes Board ○ agencies taking ownership of monitoring their own engagement ○ development of "CAF champions" ○ development of CAF auditing 										

Priority 2 - Improving the safeguarding and outcomes of children and families with complex needs

Safeguarding										
Description (Good Performance)	Outturn 07/08	Q1 08/09	Q2 08/09	Outturn 08/09	Q1 09/10	Q2 09/10	YTD 09/10	Target 09/10	SN Data	England
CSS102 - Number of CYP subject to a Child Protection Plan (Per 10,000) (Low)	428 (77)	398 (71)	383 (68)	412 (74)	462 (83)	496 (89)	496 (89)	~	~	~
NI 064 – CPPs lasting 2 years or more (Low)	7.3%	8.5%	15.6%	15.7%	12.6%	20.1%	20.1%	9.0%	6.0% (07/08)	5.9% (07/08)
NI 065 – CYP becoming subject of a CPP for a second or subsequent time (Low)	12.3%	2.2%	25.8%	12.1%	26.1%	10.3%	18.0%	13.0%	14.2% (07/08)	13.3% (07/08)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The underlying issues with these indicators are highly related ▪ There are rising numbers of CYP subject to a Child Protection Plan (CPP) - driven by both an increase in the number of new CPPs and a decline in the rate of closing CPPs ▪ Those subject of a CPP for two years or more are of significant concern <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A detailed audit of individual cases has been completed and a report with recommendations taken to the CHS Stay Safe Board ○ A new detailed performance report has been generated which identifies plans at 12 months in order that action planning can be reviewed at an earlier stage and action taken where appropriate ○ A scrutiny panel to be set up to look at all cases in this cohort ▪ Those subject of subject to a CPP for a second or subsequent time shows a significant improvement (10.3% Q2 from 26.1% at Q1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Several cases came into the city in April resulting in high numbers at Q1. During the year the impact of these cases on the overall annual position will reduce and we expect that the year end figure will be met 										

Looked After Children

Description (Good Performance)	Outturn 07/08	Q1 08/09	Q2 08/09	Outturn 08/09	Q1 09/10	Q2 09/10	YTD 09/10	Target 09/10	SN	England
CSS101 - Number of LAC (per 10,000) (Low)	456 (82)	472 (85)	383 (68)	483 (87)	490 (88)	490 (88)	490 (88)	480 (85)	~	~
NI 061 - Timeliness of placements of LAC for adoption following an agency decision that the child should be placed for adoption (High)	30.0%	63.6%	66.7%	73.8%	50.0%	83.3%	72.7%	75.0%	72.6% (07/08)	74.8% (07/08)
NI 063 - Stability of placements of LAC: length of placement (High)	64.5%	62.8%	60.7%	64.7%	64.0%	62.8%	62.8%	67.0%	64.4% (07/08)	64.7% (07/08)
CS138 - Personal Education Plans completed for LAC in care longer than 28 days (High)	88.0%	87.0%	~	89.0%	83.0%	45.0%	45.0%	100%	~	~
CS139 - PEPs out of date and not yet started for LAC longer than 28 days (Low)	6.0%	5.0%	~	10.0%	17.0%	55.0%	55.0%	0.0%	~	~
NI 099 - LAA Indicator LAC reaching level 4 in English at KS2 (High)	50.0%	~	~	48.0%	~	50.0%	50.0%	62.5%	54.0% (08/09)	47.6% (08/09)
NI 101 - LAA Indicator LAC achieving 5 A*-C GCSEs (or equivalent) at KS4 including English and Maths (High)	~	~	~	4.8%	~	6.9%	6.9%	26.3%	~	~

- There are rising numbers of Looked After Children (LAC)
- NI 061** - Work has been progressed to identify reasons why some children wait longer for their adoptive placements
- A performance management tracking tool is now in place to be used by Fieldwork/Adoption which will enable drift to be identified and actioned at an early stage
- Mentoring of less experienced social workers is in place in order to ensure appropriate progression of adoptions
- Placements are subject to rigorous analysis with action plans for controlling budget
- NI 063** – An alert system now in place to understand why placements breakdown (reported to Service Managers)
- New placements reviewed by the Director of Commissioning and Resources to ensure placement arrangements are actioned to prevent placement breakdown
- Draft report into the breakdown of placements lasting 2 years has identified a number of issues and these are now subject of wider debate and action planning across a number of service areas
- NI 099** - Percentages are based on small cohorts: 30 pupils in 2009
- NI 099 / NI 101** - Figures show slight improvement on previous year
- CS138 & CS139** - Data about the Nottingham's LAC is now analysed by school placement: city school, county school, and distant school/establishment.
- Personal Education Plans (PEPs) are jointly devised with schools to raise the attainment and increase progress of LAC
- The role of the Designated Teacher is now statutory and a range of support and information measures are in place to develop the quality and impact of PEPs.

Priority 9 - Reducing teenage conceptions

Description (Good Performance)	Outturn 07/08	Q1 08/09	Q2 08/09	Outturn 08/09	Q1 09/10	Q2 09/10	YTD 09/10	Target 09/10	SN Data	England
NI 112 - LAA Indicator Under 18 conception rate (per 1,000) (Low)	73.6	68.2	74.0	69.3	68.6	67.3	67.3	59.8	40.2 (East Mids. LAD1)	41.4 (LAD1)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Numbers continue to fall; however, 7.5 conceptions above target (25.9 conceptions higher than England average) ▪ Future performance being targeted through GOEM and National Support Team supported action plan ▪ Review of progress implementing the Teenage Pregnancy (TP) Plan in 2009 has been undertaken and has shown good progress against most actions ▪ New TP Executive now in place to strengthen accountability for delivery ▪ New TP Plan for 2010 is in development ▪ Future key priorities include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ a city-wide approach to delivering 11-16 life skills in all Secondary schools ○ improving the availability and quality of young people friendly contraception and sexual health services ○ improved targeting through better use of shared data across all partners ○ identifying those at risk and intervening earlier and working with vulnerable groups ○ enhancing communications within agencies and with CYP, families and communities 										

Priority 13 - Improving attendance and increasing engagement in education, employment and training and increasing progression into further education, higher education and skilled economic activity

Description (Good Performance)	Outturn 07/08	Q1 08/09	Q2 08/09	Outturn 08/09	Q1 09/10	Q2 09/10	YTD 09/10	Target 09/10	SN Data	England
NI 090 - LAA Indicator Take up of 14-19 learning diplomas (High)	~	~	240	208	204	380	380	1000	~	~
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Enrolment numbers have increased by 58.3% against September 2008 ▪ Figure reflects the number of new learners starting in September 2009 across all 3 levels of the 8 Diploma lines (100 learners target per line) ▪ Percentages of student enrolled is comparable with the national picture (48%) ▪ Students leaving courses supported by a Connexions Personal Advisers ▪ Marketing strategies put in place for September 2010 recruitment 										
Description (Good Performance)	Outturn 07/08	Q1 08/09	Q2 08/09	Outturn 08/09	Q1 09/10	Q2 09/10	YTD 09/10	Target 09/10	SN Data	England
CS 025 - Primary school persistent absence rate (Low)	3.4%	~	~	3.2%	4.4%	4.9%	4.9%	~	2.5%	1.7%
CS 026 - Primary school overall absence rate (Low)	6.4%	~	~	6.5%	7.2%	7.2%	7.2%	~	6.0%	5.3%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nottingham City is currently ranked bottom nationally for primary school Overall Absence (OA), Authorised Absence (AA) and Persistent Absence (PA) ▪ PA figures affected by DCSF retrospectively changing threshold (second year running) for the first two terms of last year ▪ AA was 6.1%, worse than the 5.8% during the same period last year ▪ Primary Attendance Task Force to revise the Primary Attendance Action Plan to include issues disproportionality and vulnerable groups ▪ Anticipated that the Q3 PA figures (whole of the last academic year) will be worse than last year's outturn ▪ Twenty Primary schools invited to a Support and Challenge Event in October – actions identified: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LA to consult with relevant Faith Leaders regarding guidance around leave for religious observance ○ collectively, LA and Health to issue guidance to schools about the 'reasonable' length of time children may suffer with childhood ailments ○ through a high profile media campaign target specific messages to parents regarding holidays in term time and extended holidays ○ schools to be assisted in a Primary Self-Evaluation Form designed to address attendance ○ Education Welfare Service to participate in/lead on focus groups in schools/other locations to obtain the views of parents/carers of children who are persistent absentees 										

CYPP Priority Performance Summary at Q2 2009/10

	Q2	Q2	Q2 Summary
ALL CYPP INDICATORS			
Indicators better than or equal to target	27	15%	At Q2 (30th September 2009). 50% of indicators with a target are ahead of that target, and overall including measures that do not have targets 66% of indicators have shown improvements against the 2008/09 outturn figures where there are previous year figures to report against.
Indicators worse than target	28	16%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	72	41%	As the reporting year has progressed, more information has become available. 63% of the indicators now have data entered for either 2008/09, Q1 and Q2 (2009/10). The lack of indicators within priorities 5, 7 and 9 has been addressed, resulting in a further 30 indicators. Discussions are ongoing and it is envisaged that further indicators will be included for the Q3 (February 2010) meeting.
Indicators worse than previous year	36	21%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	64	37%	Where possible, statistical neighbour and all England data has been included.
Total number of indicators	175		Note to table: where an indicator has a previous year performance and a target, this is counted in both performance vs target and the performance vs previous year rows

PRIORITY 1 Refocusing services on prevention and early intervention			
Indicators better than or equal to target	0	0%	Due to the nature of the 16 Early Intervention projects in progress or scheduled to commence in 2009 there is not an opportunity to show the status of these projects in the tabular report. 11 of these that are in progress are in line with delivery projections. Three projects have commenced and have experienced issues that have affected delivery. Two are due to start in the next few months.
Indicators worse than target	0	0%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	3	33%	CAF data has now been tabulated compared to graphs on the previous report. CAF implementation continues at a steady pace. However, the number of initiations each month (as notified to CAF Central Records) continues to fluctuate and the trend this quarter shows a downturn against the 2008/09 outturn figure. Further work is needed by initiating agencies - key aspects include: designated CAF leads within agencies & the development of an Integrated Processes Board as part of our Children's Trust arrangements; agencies taking ownership of monitoring their own CAF engagement through the use of the CAF Performance Framework; development of "CAF champions" (linked to CAF training); development of CAF auditing.
Indicators worse than previous year	5	56%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	1	11%	
Total number of indicators	9		

PRIORITY 2 Improving the safeguarding and outcomes of children and families with complex needs			
Indicators better than or equal to target	6	23%	The number of children who are looked after has reduced by 11 from the previous SOG report; however, the figure is still higher than the 2008/09 outturn. Similarly, the children subject to a Child Protection Plan has increased throughout this reporting year, now at 496; an increase of 84 against 2008/09.
Indicators worse than target	9	35%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	10	38%	There are 8 indicators (NI's 61, 63, 64, 65, Number of LAC, Number of children subject to a CPP and PEP's) which are behind target and also worse than last year. The areas of Stability of placements (NI64) and child protection plans lasting 2 years or more (NI63) remain performance risks and case audits have been completed to inform analysis of next steps. Timeliness of placements (NI61) and children becoming resubjected to CPP's (NI65) are anticipated to be on target for the year end. PEP (Personal Education Plans) for LAC is behind target and responsibility is being redirected from Schools service into Social Care.
Indicators worse than previous year	10	38%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	4	15%	
Total number of indicators	26		

PRIORITY 3 Improving support to parents and carers (particularly young parents and carers)			
Indicators better than or equal to target	1	20%	NI88 - 94% of schools are providing access to extended services which is significantly over the 54% target.
Indicators worse than target	1	20%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	2	40%	The Children's Centre measure that is currently below target is to have 18 designated centres open by March 2010 (NI109), this will provide 100% coverage of the city. The two remaining centres have received planning permission as of 21/10/09. Additional measures on Childrens Centres are being considered to add into the report on centre usage. NI 118 - The DCSF continues to test and pilot this indicator with 10 LAs (Nottingham is not one these) due to difficulties with data collection and analysis. All other LAs are not expected to report on this indicator until a competent methodology has been established.
Indicators worse than previous year	0	0%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	3	60%	
Total number of indicators	5		

PRIORITY 4 Tackling the rise in childhood obesity			
Indicators better than or equal to target	0	0%	<p>Last years results showed that obesity levels were rising and were above target, and that there appeared to be a decline in up take of school meals amongst primary school children. NI57 shows the percentage of children participating in school based PE per week, however the data is being reassessed against a new target of increased hours per week. The 50% now shows performance against 3hours per week in curriculum time</p> <p>The number of schools reaching the National Healthy Schools Standard has increased from 69.4% (2008/09) to 81.0% (Q2) which is slightly under the target.</p> <p>All NI measures, with the exception of NI 57, in this priority are calculated on an annual basis from survey data.</p>
Indicators worse than target	2	25%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	1	13%	
Indicators worse than previous year	1	13%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	6	75%	
Total number of indicators	8		

PRIORITY 5 Improving oral health			
Indicators better than or equal to target	0	0%	<p>Last years results showed that the number of children being seen by dentists has been rising. Nottingham is 15% above the East Midlands SHA and England averages. The figures represent children accessing City dental services. Discussions are taking place in order to only show City children accessing dental services.</p> <p>New data for 2008/09 shows that 30.7% of all children seen have had 'Band 2' work carried out i.e. fillings, extractions - this is higher than the East Midlands SHA and England averages.</p> <p>The number of looked after children having a dental health check is 67.5% - recent focus on this has improved performance and a target is being reset based on the definition of the indicator to include all LAC not just those who have been in care for more than 12 months.</p>
Indicators worse than target	0	0%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	2	29%	
Indicators worse than previous year	0	0%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	4	57%	
Total number of indicators	7		

PRIORITY 6 Reducing infant mortality			
Indicators better than or equal to target	0	0%	<p>Last years results showed that Infant Mortality rates got worse along with levels of Low Birth Weight, although breastfeeding at 6-8 weeks increased over the 2007/08 reporting year. The latest data for both breastfeeding national indicators shows a worsening performance since 2008/09.</p> <p>The percentage of women accessing maternity services has dropped from 84.8% (2008/09) to 69.6%.</p> <p>The percentage of children immunised before their 1st birthday for Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio and HIB improved from the previous year. However the percentage of children immunised for MMR by their 2nd and 5th birthdays declined. These Health indicators are reported annually with 2009/10 data becoming available in 2010/11.</p>
Indicators worse than target	1	11%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	0	0%	
Indicators worse than previous year	3	33%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	6	67%	
Total number of indicators	9		

PRIORITY 7 Ensuring that children and young people with learning difficulties and disabilities, including those with emotional and behavioural difficulties, receive co-ordinated child and family centred services of high quality			
Indicators better than or equal to target	4	57%	<p>The percentage of statements of special needs issued within timescale has dropped from the previous year and is currently behind target but have shown positive improvements between Q1 and Q2. This is explained by a small number of complex cases for which it takes longer to secure the named school.</p> <p>The methodology for measuring NI 54 - Services for disabled children has just been developed by government as part of the Aiming High for Disabled Children programme. The information will be collected centrally and anonymously by an independent contractor, local authorities or PCT's will not be involved in undertaking the survey.</p> <p>All children at Key Stages 2, 3 & 4 have accessed the the required alternative education provision.</p> <p>The number of children receiving a Short Break has risen year on year and has already exceeded the projection for 09/10. Further respite care for disabled data will be added to the Q3 report.</p>
Indicators worse than target	2	29%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	4	57%	
Indicators worse than previous year	2	29%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	1	14%	
Total number of indicators	7		

PRIORITY 8 Reducing substance misuse and its impact on children and young people			
Indicators better than or equal to target	0	0%	<p>NI 115 - This is collected annually and reportable at year end.</p> <p>The number of drugs offences for the first six months (April - September 09) show an upward trend and at the current rate may exceed the 2008/09 outturn by the end of the year.</p> <p>The Young People's Drug & Alcohol Team has provided data new to the report for 2007/08 to Q1. The percentage of referrals from Children Services and LAC has declined from 7% (2007/08), 5% (2008/09) to 4% (Q1). The percentage of young people leaving treatment in an agreed and planned way has decreased from 74% (2008/09) to 58.8% (Q1).</p> <p>As part of the 'Hidden Harm' programme, it is envisaged that, for subsequent reports, the percentage of those adults in treatment who are asked if they are living with a child; and the number of children/young people recorded as living with adult drug and / or alcohol users in treatment will be reported.</p>
Indicators worse than target	0	0%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	1	20%	
Indicators worse than previous year	3	60%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	1	20%	
Total number of indicators	5		

PRIORITY 9 Reducing teenage conceptions			
Indicators better than or equal to target	0	0%	<p>The rate of teenage conceptions continues to fall but is still significantly behind target and significantly higher than East Midlands and England figures.</p> <p>The percentage 15-24 year olds screened for Chlamydia has decreased from 17.8% (Q1) to 13.8% (Q2) and is 3.2% down on the 2008/09 outturn. Of those screened, 8% of these have prevalence of Chlamydia - an improvement against 0.9% against 2008/09.</p>
Indicators worse than target	1	33%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	2	67%	
Indicators worse than previous year	1	33%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	0	0%	
Total number of indicators	3		

PRIORITY 10 Reducing the impact of bullying, and divert children and young people from anti-social and offending behaviour			
Indicators better than or equal to target	2	9%	<p>First time entrants to the Youth Justice System continue to show a positive downturn, while those in the YJS receiving a custodial sentence is worse than the previous year and off target - this indicator reports a percentage, however the absolute numbers receiving a custodial sentence is reducing therefore this does not present a performance issue. Young offenders accessing suitable accommodation is below target but improving from the previous year but Care Leavers access to suitable accommodation has achieved the 100% target.</p> <p>Police data shows that all indicators (if annualised) will positively be under the 2008/09 outturn figures</p>
Indicators worse than target	2	9%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	11	50%	
Indicators worse than previous year	2	9%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	9	41%	
Total number of indicators	22		

PRIORITY 11 Raising educational attainment and skills			
Indicators better than or equal to target	6	43%	<p>Provisional educational attainment figures have been released showing improvements against 2007/08 and 2008/09 respectively. Strong performance in Early Years Foundation, strong improvement in NI75 narrowly missed a stretching target. Key Stage 2 (Primary) is a key focus area for performance improvement. Of the 8, 5 indicators are positively above target.</p> <p>There are currently no schools judged as being in special measures which accounts for the two measures better than target.</p> <p>The rates of permanent exclusions continues to fall in the right direction.</p>
Indicators worse than target	3	21%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	11	79%	
Indicators worse than previous year	0	0%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	3	21%	
Total number of indicators	14		

PRIORITY 12 Closing the gap in attainment and skills between disadvantaged groups and their peers			
Indicators better than or equal to target	4	15%	<p>The number children accessing KS2, KS3 & KS4 alternative provision have achieved 100%.</p> <p>Provisional data released shows a significant improvement in the number of schools where fewer than 65% of pupils achieve L4 or above in English and Maths at KS2 from 39 in 2008/09 to 14 at Q2. Similarly, for NI 78, there has been an improvement from 10 schools to 6.</p> <p>The Children in care NIs 99 & 101 have improved yet fall short of their targets. Whereas, NI 100, those reaching L4 in Maths at KS2, has seen a 2% decline against 2008/09 but has met the 50% target.</p>
Indicators worse than target	3	12%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	7	27%	
Indicators worse than previous year	1	4%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	18	69%	
Total number of indicators	26		

PRIORITY 13 Improving attendance and increasing engagement in education, employment and training and increasing progression into further education, higher education and skilled economic activity			
Indicators better than or equal to target	3	13%	<p>Secondary school persistent absence figures have improved by 0.1% against the 2008/09 outturn figure and is still within target. The overall secondary school absence rate has dropped 0.2% against 2008/09.</p> <p>Figures show that Primary school absence continues to be a focus area and a successful action workshop has recently been completed.</p> <p>The number of pupils participating in learning diplomas has increased to 380 from 208. This is significantly lower than the LAA target of 1000 pupils; however, Nottingham's figures are comparable with the national picture.</p> <p>NEET data continues to shows a very strong picture. Overall 16 to 18 year old NEET is 0.1% worse this year than last but is on target, and the Not Knowns has reduced significantly. Those supervised by the YOT and who are Care Leavers have seen improvements from the previous year but are off target.</p>
Indicators worse than target	3	13%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	16	70%	
Indicators worse than previous year	5	22%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	2	9%	
Total number of indicators	23		

PRIORITY 14 Increasing the proportion of the working age population who are qualified to at least Level 2 or higher			
Indicators better than or equal to target	0	0%	<p>All indicators are measured annually with most relating to attainment results.</p> <p>Figures show that last year the majority relating to level 2 or 3 qualifications at 19 had improved from the previous year. However the percentage of the working age population qualified up to level 2 had declined from the previous year.</p>
Indicators worse than target	1	20%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	0	0%	
Indicators worse than previous year	1	20%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	4	80%	
Total number of indicators	5		

PRIORITY 15 Reducing the number of working age people who are on out of work benefits			
Indicators better than or equal to target	1	17%	<p>The percentage of working age people on out of work benefits has remained constant compared to the previous year and continues to be better than target.</p> <p>However the number of 18 to 24 year olds who are claiming Job Seekers Allowance has got worse by 14.3%, as has the total number of JSA claimants (7.7%). However the number of vacancies advertised with Job Centre Plus has shown an improvement of 34.3% against the 2008/09 outturn.</p>
Indicators worse than target	0	0%	
Indicators better than or equal to previous year	2	33%	
Indicators worse than previous year	2	33%	
Indicators with no performance data so far this year or unable to be assessed	2	33%	
Total number of indicators	6		