



Children's Services Performance Report Quarter 2 2019-20



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Summary - Key Messages from the Report

Good news:

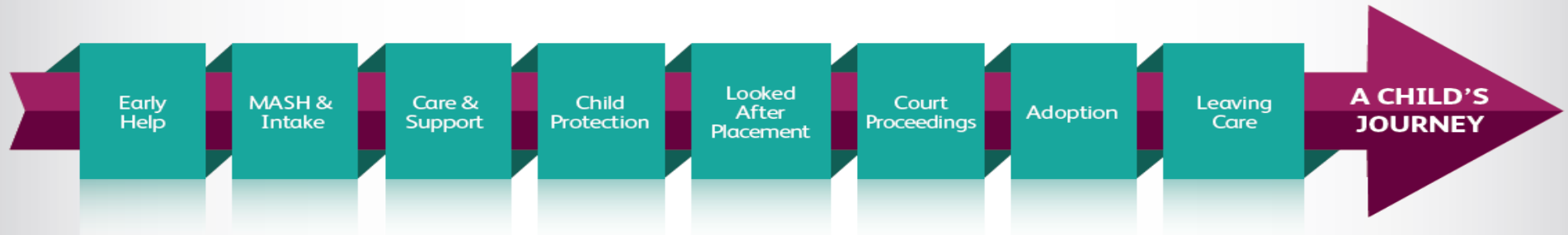
- All Wales Safeguarding Procedures finalised (and subsequently launched).
- Think Again! Tackling Exploitation event held – young people showcased presentations on exploitation. Think Again! Project culminated in a video that won a Youth Excellence Award.
- Plans are being developed for a regional Adolescent Resource Centre via ICF Funding.
- Timeliness of well-being assessments – on target (76.1%).

Issues to monitor:

- Demand and complexity of cases.
- Lack of placement sufficiency.
- Children looked after returned home from care.
- Recruitment and retention of social workers.



Strategic Vision

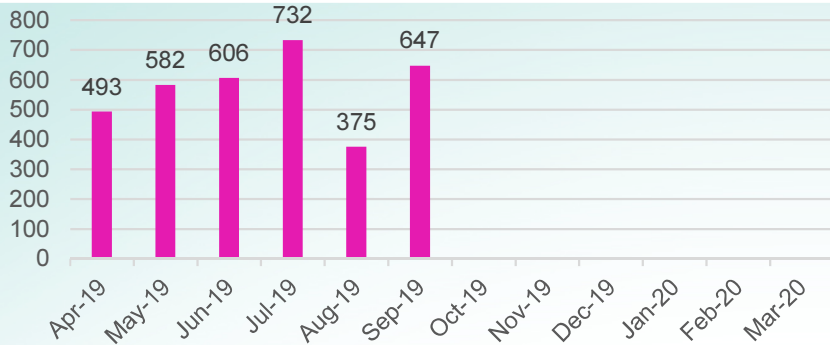


- Set of scorecards being developed to support each stage of the child's journey.
- Supported by development of core data

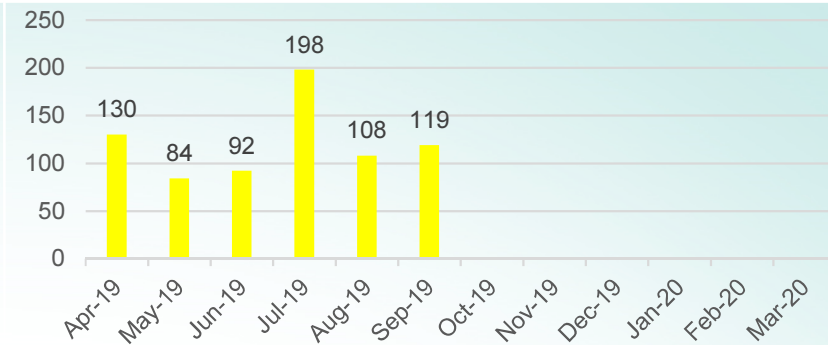


Key Performance Indicators – Corporate Plan

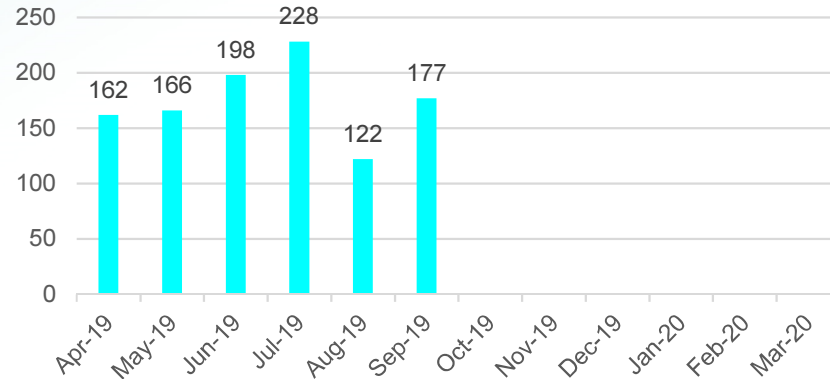
FAM KPI 01 The number of people supported through the Gateway



FAM KPI 02 The number of people supported by the Family Help Team



FAM KPI 03 The number of people supported by Support4Families.



FAM KPI 01 The number of people supported through the Family Gateway = 1,754 = The number of enquiries and well-being contacts.

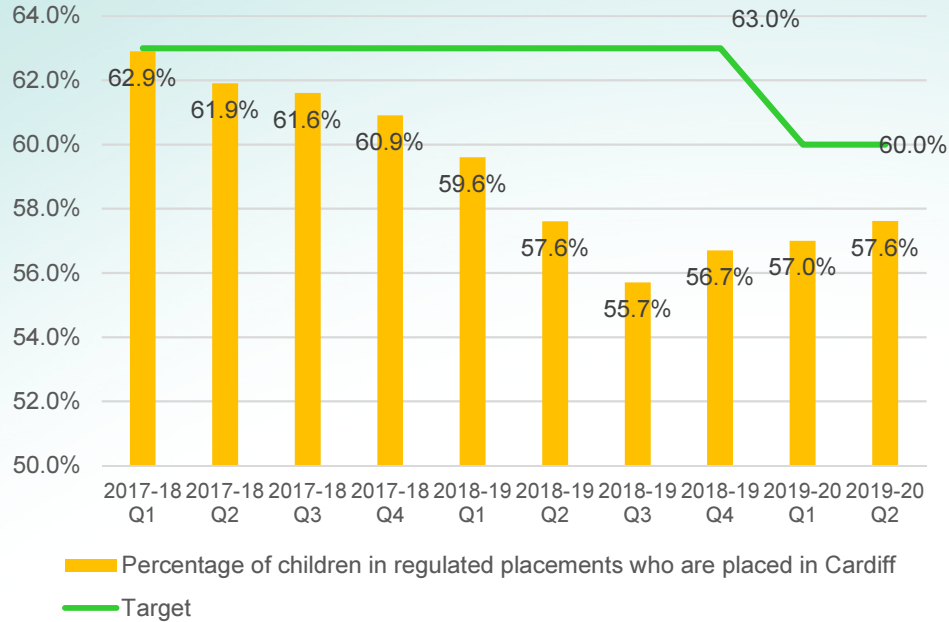
FAM KPI 02 The number of people supported by the Family Help Team = 425.
No of households = 219.

FAM KPI 03 The number of people supported by Support4Families = 527.



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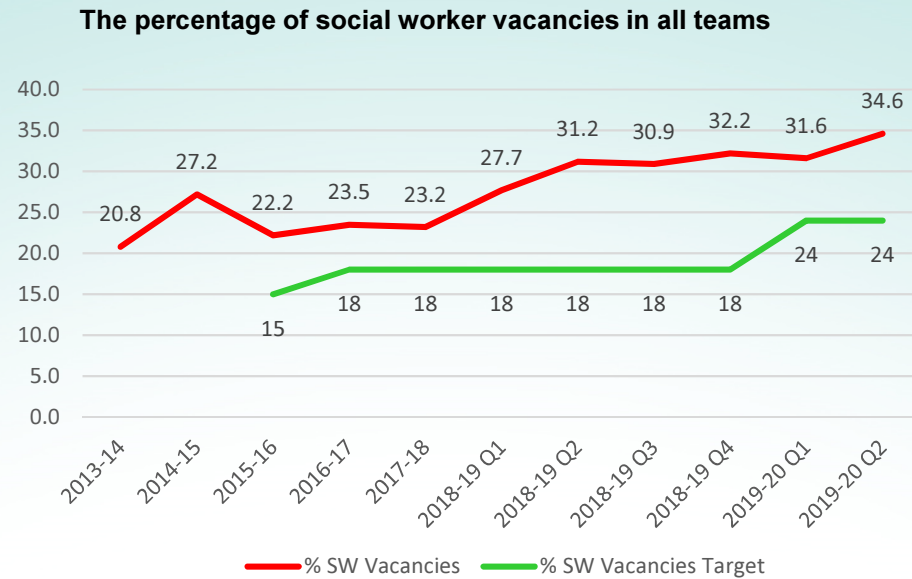
Percentage of children in regulated placements who are in Cardiff



This PI only counts children in regulated placements who are placed within the LA boundaries. When children placed in neighbouring authorities are included, the figure increases to 77.8%.



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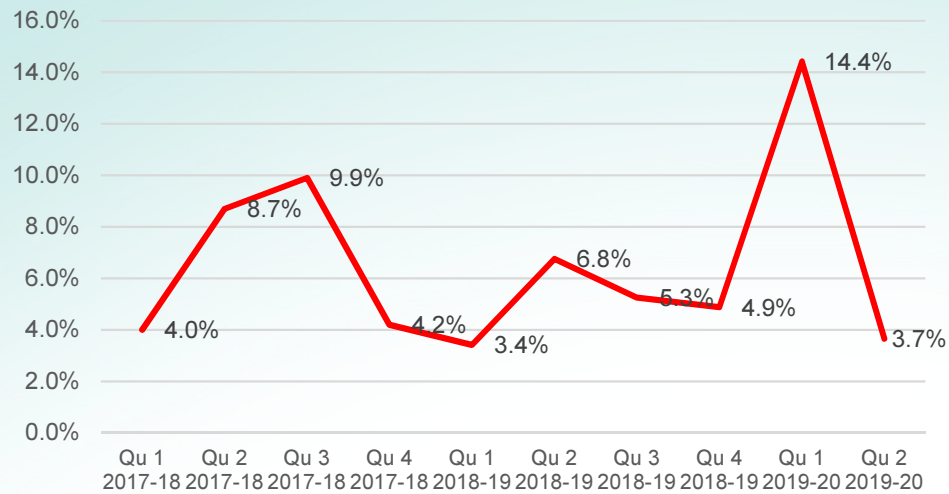


During Quarter 2 11 social worker posts were filled. The net result of social workers starting and leaving the Council is on an upward trajectory.



Key Performance Indicators – Directorate Delivery Plan

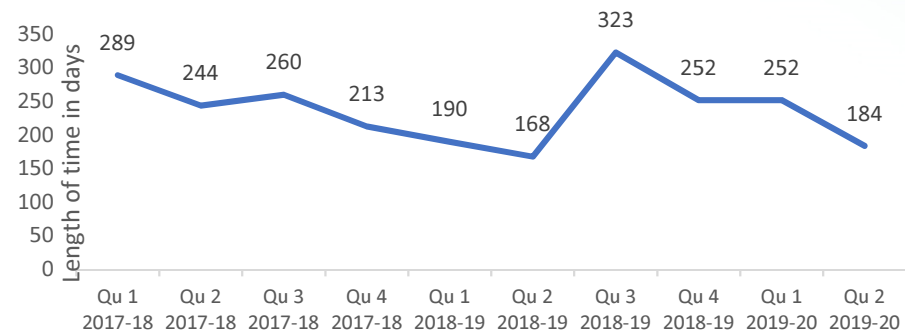
Percentage of re-registrations of children on Child Protection Register during the year and within 12 months from deregistration



3 of the 82 children registered during the year had been on the CPR within the previous 12 months.

The average length of time on the CPR for the 63 children who were deregistered during the year was 184 days

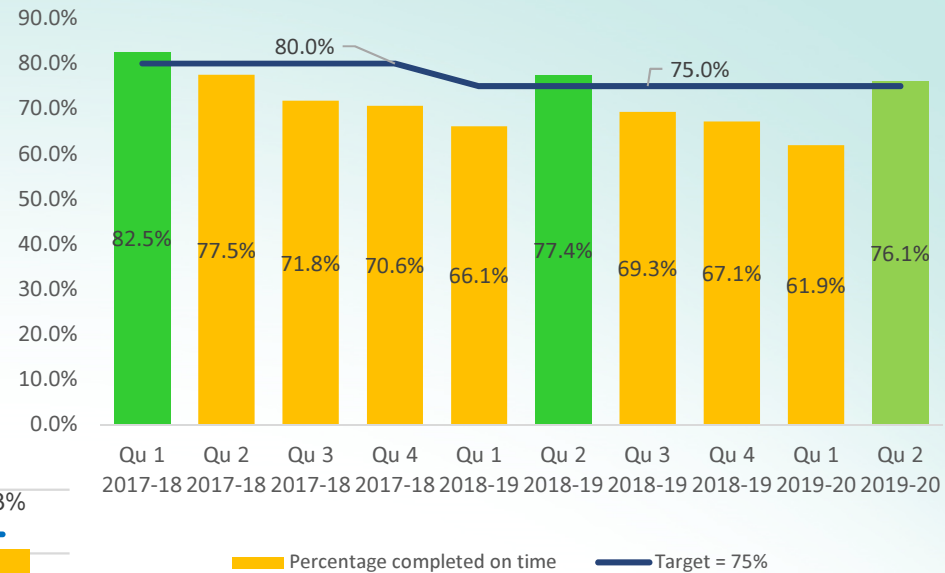
Average length of time on the Child Protection Register for all children who were de-registered during the year



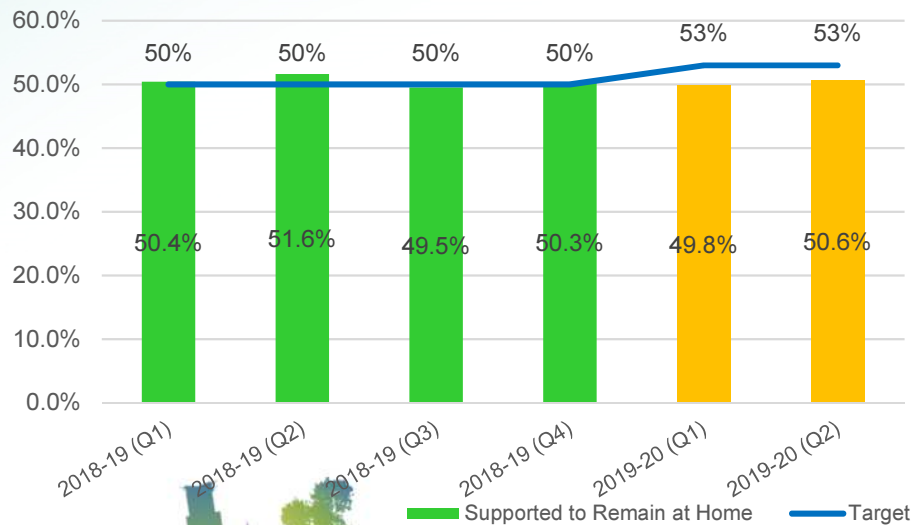
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Performance is above target despite a 19% increase in number of assessments completed in Quarter 2; 947 compared to 797 during Quarter 1. This is in the context of the number of contacts requiring assessment remaining stable; 673 compared to 675 in Quarter 1. 295 well-being assessments were incomplete at the end of Quarter 2 - a decrease of 36% from 461 at the end of Quarter 1; of which 98 and 135 respectively were out of time.

Percentage of Well-being assessments completed within statutory timescales



Percentage of Children supported to remain living within their family

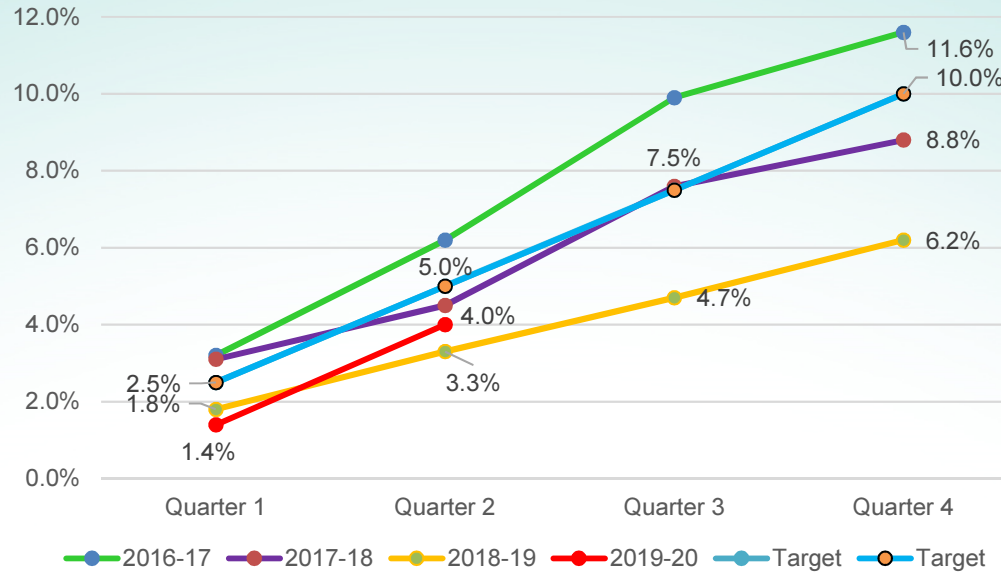


Of the 1,896 children with a Care and Support Plan at 30th September 2019, 960 were being supported to live at home (i.e. were not being looked after).



Key Performance Indicators – Directorate Delivery Plan

Percentage of children looked after returned home from care during the year



Of the 1,035 children who have been looked after during the year to date, 41 have returned home. In addition to the 41 children who were returned home from care, 159 children were in the care of their parents, but remain subject to a Care Order, and 113 children were placed with relative carers. It is noted that our judiciary have indicated a reluctance to discharge Care Orders, and continue to make new Care Orders as opposed to other orders, e.g. Supervision Orders.

