Agenda Item

Report to CYP Select Committee 28th November 2013

Report of Corporate Director, CESC

PERFORMANCE UPDATE Q2 2013~14

Summary

In line with the agreed framework for reports to the Committee on performance of Children's Services, this report provides information regarding:

- Overview of Performance at the Quarter 2 period of 2013~14 (i.e. as at the end of September 2013).
- School and Academy performance.

Recommendation

That the performance information be received.

Background

- 1. At its meeting on 28th August 2013, the Committee agreed to monitor performance information for Children's Services based on a quarterly Children & Young People thematic update, along with a separate report on an agreed area of focus.
- 2. Accordingly, attached are two documents:
 - a) **Appendix 1 -** Quarter 2 performance overview for Children & Young People Services. This includes a summary of some performance indicators linked to priorities in the Council Plan, along with commentary on other performance issues arising during the quarter.
 - b) Appendix 2 a summary of school performance for the last school year, 2012~13.
- 3. Officers will present these documents for discussion with the Committee.

Peer Review and Research Activity

- 4. In response to the ongoing monitoring of performance in children's social care, in particular the high levels of activity and demand on services, and concerns over the continuing high rates of children in need, child protection plans, and children in care, the following projects have been commissioned to provide additional insights into our practice and to support future improvement planning:
 - a) A Critical Friend Review, by Northumberland Council, focusing on arrangements for the management of child protection concerns from point of referral to social care through to subsequent decision making regarding child protection plans. This will take place in December 2013. The review has been commissioned as part of the regional approach to sector led improvement, with Northumberland chosen as a Council judged by Ofsted to be 'outstanding' for its safeguarding provision.

- b) A Safeguarding Peer Review, commissioned from the LGA who have been delivering this type of review for some time as part of an agreed national programme of sector led improvement. This review will take place in March 2014 and will look at the broader safeguarding theme, across both the Council and partners.
- c) A research project commissioned from the University of Teesside, taking a more academic research focused approach to analysing the patterns of activity in Stockton-on-Tees, compared with other Councils and national trends, to identify possible reasons for the pressures in our local social care system.
- 5. The Committee is asked to note these arrangements, the outcomes of which will be reported back as part of future performance updates.

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CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE SERVICES - PERFORMANCE UPDATE Q2 2013~14

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS - PROGRESS

- 1. % of young people in years 12 Y 14 who are NEET Performance at Q2 shows a NEET rate for Stockton of 9.8% with 75.6% of the cohort in learning and 10.7% not known. This performance continues to be better than the Tees Valley average of 11.2% NEET with 68.4% in learning and 17.25% not known. Higher not known figures are typical for the Q2 period where destinations of many school leavers, who may continue into further education and / or training, are not confirmed until later in the autumn period. In September, the DfE published the latest national comparative data regarding participation of 16 / 17 year olds in education and training, as at June 2013. Key points from analysis of that data are as follows:
 - The overall proportion of young people participating in EET is better than Eng and NE averages. This breaks down into:
 - Proportion in full time Education & Training: better than NE average; below Eng average.
 - Proportion in Apprenticeships; better than NE and Eng averages.
 - Proportion in WBL; below NE; better than Eng.
 - Current Activity Not Known; continues to be significantly lower (better) than NE and Eng.
 - The proportion LDD participating in EET; significantly better than Eng and NE.
 - Data showing change over time (June 12 / Dec 12 / March 13 / June 13) indicates:
 - Overall proportion participating in EET has increased more than Eng and NE.
 - Current Activity Not Known; has improved not as much as Eng and NE but that is because of our very low (i.e very good) starting point.
- 2. Percentage of pupils attending good or better schools. Latest published comparative data available is as at 30th June, indicating 83% of primary school pupils attending good or better schools, higher than the national average of 78% and close to the regional average of 85%. However, 56% of secondary school pupils attending good or better schools is below both the national average of 75% and regional average of 70%. The Education Improvement Service are continuing to monitor schools closely and target support according to assessed risk; local information (subsequent to the published Ofsted data at end of March) indicates some positive progress in secondary schools requiring improvement.
- 3. **Percentage of schools judged to be good or outstanding.** Based on latest published comparative data at 30th June 2013 (including Academies), 87% of primary schools were judged good or outstanding at their last inspection, compared to an England average of 78% and regional average of 85%. For secondary schools, 42% were good or outstanding, compared to national and regional averages of 72% and 66% respectively. The Education Improvement Service are continuing to monitor schools closely and target support according to assessed risk; local information (subsequent to the published Ofsted data at end of March) indicates some positive progress in secondary schools requiring improvement.

- 4. Proportion of children becoming the subject of a child protection plan for a second or subsequent time, within two years During the Q2 period there were no further children who had been the subject of a second or subsequent child protection plan within two years. Performance of 1.1% equates to just 2 children from a cohort of 174 children who have been the subject of a subsequent or second plan, well within the target of less than 8% children being the subject of a second or subsequent plan within 24 months.
- 5. **Proportion of child protection plans lasting two years or more** Performance of 2.1% equates to 4 children / young people who were the subject of a plan lasting 2 years or more, from a total of 188 children ceasing to be the subject of a child protection plan during the Q2 period. This compares to 12/13 Q2 performance of 2.9% (5 children from a cohort of 170). Performance is only just over target of 2% or less, and is within the agreed tolerance.
- 6. **Timeliness of core assessments -** Q2 performance of 63.7% equates to 558 core assessments completed within 35 days, from a total of 876 completed core assessments. Although slightly below target of 65%, this represents a good improvement on the previous year's outturn of 54.2%, and is within the agreed tolerance for the target. Overall high levels of activity continue to impact on assessment timescales and actions. Weekly detailed case level reports on active assessments are provided to support close monitoring of performance, and further scrutiny takes place at the monthly Children's Social Care Performance Clinic. The assessment process is being reviewed currently in line with the Single Assessment Process set out in the new 'Working Together To Safeguard Children' national guidance.
- 7. **Timeliness of initial assessments -** Q2 performance of 44.0% equates to 567 initial assessments completed within 10 days, from a total of 1288 completed initial assessments. This is below target of 65%, and slightly down from the previous year. An increase in referrals to social care during July appears to be reflected in a particular dip in timeliness during the latter part of the quarter. Overall high levels of activity continue to impact on assessment timescales and actions. The assessment process is being reviewed currently in line with the Single Assessment Process set out in the new 'Working Together To Safeguard Children' national guidance.

Weekly detailed case level reports on active assessments are provided to support increased monitoring, with further scrutiny taking place at the monthly Children's Social Care Performance Clinics. This has had considerable impact in reducing the average length of time (in days) assessments are open. As shown in the chart at Appendix 1, since implementation of these revised monitoring arrangements in March, to the beginning of October:

- the average length of time an Initial Assessment has been open has reduced from 43 days to 15 days; and
- for Core Assessments, the average time open has reduced from 61 days to 29 days.
- 8. Long term placement stability for looked after children Performance at Q2 of 55.1% equates to 54 children and young people from a cohort of 98 who had been in their current placement for 2 years or more. This is below the target of 60%. Cases where children have moved placement within the two years are monitored closely through the Children's Social Care Performance Clinic analysis continues to show that many of the placement moves are in fact planned moves to appropriate forms of permanency, as opposed to unplanned moves that might risk stability of the child's support.
- 9. Free early education / childcare places available for eligible 2 yr olds There has been a significant increase in the numbers of available places following the release of funding

from DfE to stimulate the childcare market. Stockton currently has 590 free 2 year old places available. So far, 289 places have been taken up; a further 106 children are waiting to be placed, subject to funding being allocated as a result of the provider satisfying the approval process. Performance has exceeded the target of 571 places available from September 2013.

GENERAL THEMATIC PERFORMANCE ISSUES

- 10. **Ofsted Inspections of Schools and other Settings** A summary of most recent data published by Ofsted on the results of inspections (provisional data as at 30th June 2013) is included at Appendix 3. Key points to note:
 - All but one of our Children's Homes are now rated as 'good' overall (the exception being Ayton Place which, as a newly opened provision, can only be rated as adequate until it has its first full inspection).
 - The proportion of childminders rated good or outstanding in recent inspections has been in line with regional and national averages.
 - Four of the five childcare providers inspected (80%) were rated 'good' which compares favourably with regional and national averages.
 - There have been no further Children's Centre inspections in our area.
 - The proportion of good / outstanding primary schools continues to be high compared to benchmark groups, whilst secondary schools are below comparator groups.
- 11. **Ofsted Good Practice Website-** as a result of being judged as 'outstanding' by Ofsted in its inspection of our Initial Teacher Education (ITE) provision, Stockton-on-Tees has been selected to work with Ofsted to develop a good practice case study for publication on the Ofsted website.
- 12. Looked After Children short term placement stability- whilst the number of children coming in to care continues to be at a high level, shorter term placement stability (i.e. 3 or more placements during the year) remains within the target range. The rolling year performance at the end of September was 7.1% (27 children having 3 or more placements, from a total of 379). This is an improvement on 2012/13 quarter 2 performance of 10.0% (35 children having 3 or more placements, from a total of 349) and within the target of 9.0%.
- 13. Permanency of children after their care has ceased effective use continues to be made of other routes to permanency. During Q2, 82 children ceased to be in care. Of these:
 - 40 (48.8%) returned home, in line with previous years Q2 outturn of 45.8%.
 - 17 (20.7%) were the subject of a Special Guardianship Order compared to 19.4% for Q2 in previous year.
 - 14 (17.1%) Residence Orders have been granted, although below the previous years Q2 outturn of 22.2%.
 - 11 (13.4%) children were adopted, slightly above the previous years outturn of 12.5%.
- 14. **Timeliness of the Adoption Process –** Of the 11 children and young people placed for adoption during guarter 2:
 - The average time (in days) between the child entering care and moving in with their adoptive family was 587 days. This is an increase on quarter 1 performance of 467 days. However, performance is significantly improved on the average of 707 days for 2012/13 and is significantly better than the national threshold of 639 days.

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• The average time (in days) between the Local Authority receiving Court Authority to place a child and deciding on a match to an adoptive family at quarter 2 is 256 days, better than the 363 average days for 2012/13, but above the national threshold of 213 days.

15. Care Leavers

- 1. Of the 67 eligible care leavers aged 16-21 during the period, all but two (both 21 year old) were in suitable accommodation. Performance has improved slightly from the quarter 1 position of 94.1%
- 2. Of these 67 care leavers, 36, (53.7%) were in education, employment or training compared to 58.8% the previous quarter.

PRIMARY PHASE - Early Years and Foundation Stage

Children are assessed from entry to school through to the end of Reception Class against the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile (EYFSP). A new Early Years' Curriculum became statutory in September 2012; subsequently a new EYFSP was used for the first time in summer 2013 in order to assess children's outcomes against this curriculum. The expectations within the new curriculum and profile are far higher than in previous years, subsequently, there is no comparison with 2012 results in this phase.

For the EYFSP in 2013 children were assessed against a series of 17 Early Learning goals, 9 of which are called 'Prime' areas (considered to be the areas which support all learning) and 8 'Specific' areas, (which are said to support children's successful participation in society) with three possible outcomes; emerging, expected and exceeding. Children are required to achieve at least 'expected' by the end of Foundation Stage. Children who achieve at least expected in all the Prime areas and Literacy and Mathematics from the Specific area are said to have a 'Good Level of Development'. This measure is key for comparisons across schools, areas and nationally.

Headline outcome: 41% of children in Stockton achieved a Good Level of Development.

Good Level of Development						
'Expected' in all the Prime areas and						
Literacy and	Mathematics from Specific area.					
%	2013					
Stockton	41%					
National						

(The national average on the pilot (2012) was 32%; however, this is likely to increase in 2013. It is hoped that Stockton will be at least in line with National outcomes.)

A key area of work in 2012-2013 was to train staff to deliver the new Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) and assess against the EYFSP. A major element of this has been to produce a Stockton tracking system ("New STEPs") which will allow teachers and practitioners to track children's development against the new curriculum from birth to Early Learning Goal; identify gaps in development and thus support teaching which addresses children's needs and therefore accelerates progress.

An initial paper version of the tracker was delivered to schools and settings at the end of the school year 2011-12 and electronic versions were developed and distributed to all schools during the year. The latest electronic version (with the capability of carrying out analysis and generating reports) was rolled out to schools in the second half of the Spring Term. Training has been delivered to practitioners and teachers from the 300 plus Early Years' organisations and schools across the borough which deliver the EYFS. All Stockton schools and academies in the borough used the tracker to submit EYFSP data at the end of the summer term.

In 2012-2013 for the first time, the EIS team have quality assured the provision in all Children's Centres in Stockton; the process was established with the agreement of partners who reported

that the work has supported their self review and indicated their areas for development as well as allowing them time to contemplate recent successes.

Key areas for development 2013- 2014:

The new EYFS, with its corresponding higher expectations, has presented many challenges for schools and settings over the last year. It is clear from data that writing and number are the two areas which need most development and these will be the key focus over the next year. A range of central training is planned and colleagues are clear that all generic and bespoke support will have some reference to Writing and / or Number.

Work will continue to ensure high quality early provision by working with all providers (including all private and voluntary providers and all schools). The introduction of the free entitlement for 2 year olds and entitlements already in place will continue to involve the EIS team in assessing and monitoring practice and, where necessary, supporting improvement to ensure sufficient quality provision.

PRIMARY PHASE - Key Stage 1

At the end of Year 1 children are tested on their ability to use phonic skills to read a list containing words and non-words. A key focus for Early Years' Foundation Stage in Stockton 2012-13 was early reading. This area was highlighted through the outcomes of the 2012 Y1 phonics screening check. Staff have worked with schools to develop practitioner's knowledge of phonics and thus improve teaching and learning. The result of this work is that the outcome for the phonics screening check 2013 are higher than in 2012 and many schools now have phonic development as their key focus.

KS1 Headline outcomes

Phonic Screening								
Pass Year 1 2012 2013								
Stockton	54.7%	67.1%						
National	58%	National data to follow						

At the end of Key Stage 1, when children are age 7, they are assessed by their teachers in reading, writing, maths and science. Attainment in reading writing and Maths can be recorded at Level W (working towards L1), L1, L2c, L2b, L2a and L3 with a national expectation of reaching L2b by the end of the Key Stage. Attainment in Speaking and Listening is recorded at Level W, 1, 2 and 3 only, with a national expectation of Level 2 by the end of the Key Stage. Level 3 is the highest level of attainment at the end of Key Stage 1. The Core subject indicator (the number of pupils who achieve the level in all of reading, Writing and Maths) is also measured.

There has been a further increase in the Core Subject Indicator (CSI - the number of pupils who achieve the level in all of reading, Writing and Maths) at L2B+, building on the substantial increase in 2012. Reading and Writing at both 2b+ and at level 3+ and Maths at Level 3+ have all improved. Level 2b+ in CSI, reading and in writing and Level 3+ in CSI, Reading, Writing and Maths are the highest results for six years.

The increases in Phonics and reading are particularly pleasing and reflect the impact of EIS's higher profile on Reading in the past year.

L2b+ (%)		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
CSI	L2B+	57	56	56	60	61
Reading	L2B+	72	73	72	74	77
Writing	L2B+	61	60	59	63	65
Maths	L2B+	75	75	73	76	75
S/L	L2+	86	88	85	89	89
Science	L2+	89	91	89	89	89

L3 (%)	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
CSI	9	9	8	9	10
Reading	23	24	21	23	25
Writing	13	14	12	13	14
Maths	20	21	17	18	22
S/L	20	20	20	22	22
Science	21	22	20	22	21

PRIMARY PHASE - Key Stage 2

At the end of key stage 2, when the majority of the cohort will be 11 years old, children sit national tests (Standardised Assessment Tests - SATs) in Reading and Maths. For the first time in 2013, Writing was assessed through two separate assessments; one a test in Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG) and the other a teacher assessment (TA) of extended writing. The outcomes of the SPAG test will be reported as a separate entity in 2013.

In 2013, the key indicator of attainment is Combined Reading, Writing and Maths (CRWM) using the results of the Reading and Maths test and the TA of writing. To meet this measure children must achieve the level in each of the three areas. The end of Key Stage 2 assessments are recorded at levels 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. The national expectation for attainment is for children to achieve Level 4+ or higher.

The outcomes of assessments at the end of Key Stage 2 are also used to measure progress across Key Stage 2. Pupils are expected to make a minimum of 2 levels of progress across Key Stage 2.

Schools which fail to meet any of the Floor Standards (currently - 60% of pupils attaining Level 4+ in Combined Reading, Writing and Maths [CRWM] and 90% of children achieving 2 levels progress in Maths across KS2. Progress measures in Reading and Writing are new measures and therefore schools do not yet know what these thresholds will be. However, for comparison, the floor standard for English in 2012 was 92% of children achieving 2 levels progress across KS2;) can be deemed to be of concern at a National level.

The Department for Education has given stated that the floor standard for Combined Reading, writing and Maths at Level 4+ will increase to 65% in the future and that there may be a retrospective increase in expected levels of progress for 2011-12.

KS2 Headline outcomes

National figures are not currently available for comparison. Where comparisons are available, all measures at levels 4 and 5 except Reading are above the 2012 outcome for Stockton (in Reading there is a 1% decrease in attainment and a 2% decrease in progress). The 3% improvement in each of Writing and Maths at Level 4 and the 5% increase in Maths at Level 5 are particularly pleasing.

% L4+	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
CEM	75	80	79	80	No longer available
English	81	84	83	85	No longer available
CRWM	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	78
Reading	87	87	86	86	85
Writing	70	75	76	82	85
Maths	82	87	85	84	87
SPAG	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	76
% L5+	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
% L5+ CEM	2009 23	2010 28	2011 24	2012 27	No longer available
					No longer
CEM	23	28	24	27	No longer available No longer
CEM	30	34	30	37	No longer available No longer available
CEM English CRWM	23 30 N/A	28 34 N/A	30 N/A	27 37 N/A	No longer available No longer available
CEM English CRWM Reading	23 30 N/A 47	28 34 N/A 52	30 N/A 45	27 37 N/A 46	No longer available No longer available 21

Compared to 2012, attainment at L5+ has improved in all areas except Reading, with a 5% increase in Maths.

As results show, work around supporting schools in the introduction of the SPAG test have been particularly successful with over half of children in Stockton achieving above the expected level in the 2013 test.

2 Levels 2 Levels Progress (%)	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
English	80	83	85	90	No longer available
Reading	87	88	88	90	88
Writing	70	76	81	91	92
Maths	84	87	87	88	91

Key areas for development 2013- 2014:

From September 2013, all schools are subject to a new School Improvement Framework which has been agreed for Stockton. This sets out how the Local Authority will provide challenge, which will lead to support, when specific criteria are triggered so that rapid school improvement will be achieved. All primary schools will be assessed against this Challenge Framework and those who have fallen below the standards set will receive a formal visit and intervention to secure improvement.

A raft of training is being secured to enable support for the teaching of reading and bespoke school support to tackle dips in attainment and progress.

A key focus in Primary schools in 2013-14 is the new National Curriculum which will become statutory for all children from Year 1 upwards from September 2014. The new curriculum is challenging and preparations will need to address training to extend staff subject knowledge as well as support for familiarisation and alignment of current teaching to the new requirements. The EIS team will offer central, brokered and also focused training and support to schools in the borough.

SECONDARY PHASE - Key Stage 3

Stockton has 12 secondary schools four of which are now Academies . At Key Stage 3, statutory national tests (SATs) ceased in 2008, however schools continue to report teacher assessment results in each of the core subjects, English, maths and science. The national expectation at the end of this key stage is for children to achieve Level 5.

Headline outcome: results at Key Stage 3 show a continuing upward trend particularly at level 6.

At KS3, teacher assessment results show 89% of children in Stockton achieved Level 5+ in English, 89% in maths and 85% in science. This represents an increase of 2% on the previous year for English, an increase of 4% for maths and an increase of 1% for science. These outcomes exceed or are in line with previous years figures and maintain an improving trend.

At L6+, there is a similar improving trend with increases of 11% in English, 4% in maths and 1% in science. This years improvements in higher level English and maths, represent the best ever attainment in these subjects at KS3.

% L5+	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
English	77	79	86	87	89
Maths	81	81	85	85	89
Science	80	80	85	84	85

% L6+	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
English	42	42	51	54	65
Maths	57	57	62	66	70
Science	48	48	57	57	58

SECONDARY PHASE - Key Stage 4

Young people take GCSE and other equivalent examinations at the end of Key Stage 4. These national examinations are graded on an A^* - G or comparable scale. Young people who achieve 5+ A^* - C are deemed to have reached the Level 2 threshold. Those who achieve 5+ A^* - G have reached the Level 1 threshold. The principle national measure of success is for young people to achieve 5+ A^* - C including both English and maths. (L2 EM) Expected attainment is now determined using a *value added* model based on FFT type A estimates. The national Floor Standard for attainment in the secondary phase is 40% 5 + A^* - C including English and maths.

Headline outcome: the percentage of students achieving the key indicator of 5 or more GCSE passes at Grade C or higher including English and maths is currently 3% higher than last year and equals the best ever obtained by Stockton in 2011.

GCSE	2010 Stockton	2011 Stockton	2012 Stockton	2013 Stockton	2013 National
5+A*-C inc. English & maths	53	57	54	57	To be
5+A*-C (L2)	75	80	83	80	added
5+A*-G (L1)	94	95	95	94	when
5+A*-G inc. English & maths	92	94	93	92	available
Average Capped Point Score	414	444	476	453	

Performance at the inclusive Level 1 indicator, 5+ A*-G, at 95%, is broadly in line with previous years. The overall average point score which measures the breadth of overall attainment across subjects remains high and at 453 although slightly lower than last years outcome of 476 pts represents strong performance across a wide range of subject entries.

The improvement in results at the Level 2 (EM) threshold represents a pleasing achievement for Stockton schools with 8 out of 12 schools improving this outcome. In particular, provisional results show Northshore Academy has increased by 31% from last year to achieve 53%. All Saints have increased their result a further 3% to 87% and Our Lady and St Bede are reporting a provisional figure of 60% which represents a 16% increase on the previous year, Other schools showing substantially improved outcomes include, St Michael's, Thornaby Academy and Ian Ramsey. However, Grangefield and Bishopsgarth remain below the current 40% floor standards for this measure.

The percentage of students making the expected 3 levels of progress in maths and English are 57% and 58% respectively. Whereas in English this is 4% lower than in 2012, for maths this represents an increase of 3% which equals with Stockton's' highest ever outcome for this measure achieved in 2011.

Key areas for development:

Targeted interventions in schools will be delivered, as necessary, following detailed analysis of the data. There will be specific focus on improving achievement in the core subjects of English and maths and there will be focus upon the progress of pupils to ensure that schools meet achievement outcomes in line with FFTA estimates.

In secondary schools where progress in core subjects falls below expected national expectations measures and below floor standards, the local Authority will take action within the agreed Challenge Framework. This will investigate the implementation of a range of measures depending on circumstances including:

- Allocation of Additional School Improvement Adviser time
- Investigation of Academy Sponsorship
- Implementation of a Collaborative Review
- Implementation of an Intervention Plan
- Support from National and Local Leaders
- The need for a Warning Notice will be considered.

POST 16 EDUCATION

Stockton has two schools and two colleges with A Level provision. The **4 Stockton providers** are Conyers Academy, Egglescliffe School, Stockton Riverside College (SRC) and Stockton Sixth Form College (SSFC).

A level achievement is judged on two measures: the percentage of students who attain pass grades A* - B and the percentage of students who attain pass grades A* - E.

Overall achievement is measured using average point scores (APS) where the following tariff is applied:

A *	300	Α	270	В	240	С	210	D	180	E	150
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- APS per entry is the average points achieved by the school or college per subject entry
- APS per student is the average points gained by each student when their individual A Level grades are combined

		%A*- B	%A*- E	APS	APS
		Grades	Grades	(Entry)	(Student)
	2010	46	98	204.9	883.4
Conyers	2011	54	99	204.9	897.2
	2012	44	98	204.5	841.6
	2013	48.7	98.6	217.9	825.0
	2010	66	100	231.9	842.7
Eggloooliffo	2011	53	100	223.6	773.5
Egglescliffe	2012	60	99	228.7	840.7
	2013	58.1	99.5	230.3	708.8
	2010	49	99	212.7	656.6
SRC	2011	45	99	212.9	709.0
SKC	2012	44	99	205.7	611.8
	2013	41	99	187.8	648.8
	2010	42	99	205.5	760.1
SSFC	2011	38	98	200.9	748.1
3370	2012	38	99	204.7	767.6
	2013	39	98.7	203.5	655.5
	2010	52.2	97.6	211.1	726.6
National	2011	52.3	97.9	216.2	746.0
ivational	2012	52.4	98.0	212.8	733.3
	2013	52.8	98.1	N/A	N/A

- All 4 providers have exceeded the national average pass rate of 98.1%.
- On the higher grade measure (A*-B) Egglescliffe exceeded the national figure by almost 6%.
- Conyers and Stockton Sixth Form College both improved the % of students achieving A*-B grades from 2012 but were below 2013 national figure of 52.8%.
- On average point score per examination entry Conyers and Egglescliffe have improved on 2012, where they were above the national average (no national comparisons at this stage).

ATTENDANCE AND EXCLUSION

Exclusion

Primary: Stockton continues to have no permanent exclusions from primary schools and academies.

Provisional figures for fixed period exclusions for 2012-2013 are 73 across all primary schools. This compares to 61 in 2011/12 to 73 but remains below the 2010/11 figure of 81.

Secondary: There were a total of 12 permanent exclusions from secondary schools and academies, the same overall figure as in 2011/12. There continue to be no repeat permanent exclusions or permanent exclusions of looked after pupils or of those with a Statement of

Special Education Needs. Provisional figures for fixed period exclusions show a significant fall from 1202 in 2011-2012 to 852 in 2012-2013.

Fixed period exclusions in special schools and the PRU also fell, from 130 to 88.

Exclusion figures overall remain well below national averages whilst behaviour in the vast majority of our schools is rated by OfSTED as good or better.

Attendance

Provisional figures for the first five terms of 2012/13 show a small decrease in primary school attendance from 95.45% in 2011/12 to 95.26%.

In secondary schools attendance improved from 93.18% in 2011/12 to 93.77%.

The Inclusion team in EIS continue to monitor, support and challenge practice in schools to drive up outcomes.