

**REPORT TO CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD**

**10 DECEMBER 2018**

**REPORT OF BUSINESS PARTNER (PLANNING AND PERFORMANCE)**

**STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN IN STOCKTON-ON-TEES**

To assist the members of the Corporate Parenting Board in gaining a clearer understanding of the scale of issues in relation to looked after children in Stockton-on-Tees, a detailed statistical analysis is provided at Appendix 1 to this report.

This statistical analysis looks to provide a context to the current position, providing appropriate comparisons with other local authorities over a timescale of several years.

The statistical analysis contains details on:

- Children looked after at 31 March, by local authority;
- Children who started to be looked after during the years ending 31 March, by local authority;
- Children who ceased to be looked after during the years ending 31 March, by local authority;
- Children who ceased to be looked after and the number and percentage adopted during the year ending 31 March, by local authority;
- Care leavers now aged 19, 20 and 21 by activity, by local authority;
- Care leavers aged 17 and 18 by activity, by local authority; and
- Children looked after who were missing or away from their placement without authorisation, by local authority.

A short presentation of the key statistical information will be provided at the Corporate Parenting Board meeting on 10 December 2018, which will aim to reach an agreed statistical baseline position against which the effectiveness of activities can be judged.

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