



Feed back from LINX on Corporate Parenting Board Report

What we like:



- The statistics for Looked After Children in Lancashire is less than in the North West
 - Although there were more contacts made to the contact centre there were less referrals made to social services
- A new single assessment is being used by social workers



- Less than 6 out of 100 Children Looked After have moved twice or more
- This is much improved when compared to 9 out of 100 Children Looked After having to move twice or more last year



- Young people will not be reported missing straight away in case they are just late and the police can change missing to absent on the young person's file
- Young people feel this is great and feel listened to
- The number of fixed term exclusions for Looked After Children is decreasing and below target



- The number of Looked After Children being adopted has risen
- Overall more young people than ever are being provided with a permanent home under adoption, special guardianship order or residence orders
- The number of Looked After Children at University is increasing



What we are concerned about:



- More Looked After Children in Lancashire than in England
- We would like to know who our statistical neighbours are?
- The referral rate has increased slightly – we hope this won't continue to rise



- The number of young people settled in placements for at least 2 years has decreased slightly since last year
- What else needs to be done to support young people in their placements? Is more research in placement stability needed?



- CLA educational attainment continues to be lower than attainment for all children and young people
- Attendance of Looked After Children in school is decreasing
- Young people would like research in to why attendance is still decreasing
- The target of zero permanent exclusions has not yet been met, young people would like to know why this is



- Lower levels of up to date health assessments and dental assessments than in previous years
- 18 out of 100 care leavers considered not to be in suitable accommodation
- Less than half of care leavers were in education, training or employment

Thank you

