

Children in Care Rory Patterson Director Children's Social Care

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Compared to national rates we have higher rates of:

- Referral (3200)
- Children in need (3000)
- Children with a child protection plan (330)
- Care Proceedings

Children Looked After How Many

- 537 Children in Care May 2014
- 5% reduction on the previous year
- 56% Male
- 44% Female

Main Placement Type

- 78% foster placements (425)
- 9% residential (49)
- 5% Independent living (25)
- 5% placed for Adoption (29)

Key Issues

- Child Neglect (48% of those with a plan)
- Child Sexual Exploitation
- Out of Borough Placements
- Missing Children
- Stability of Placements
- Focus on Adoption

Education

- 31% have a SEN (national average 3%)
- 92.8% Average Attendance (96.8% primary)
- 60% in out of borough schools
- National Averages:
 - GCSCs A*- C above (27.5%)
 - Key Stage 2 in line