

Template for collection of LAC data for period of COVID-19 lockdown

Purpose

Welsh Government is keen to gain a better understanding of the impact of the COVID-19 lockdown period (1 April to 30 June 2020) on looked after children numbers in Wales. To inform a full picture, additional information is required about the LAC population including entrants and exits.

Name of Local Authority: Newport

As a baseline the total number of looked after children (as of 31 March 2020) was: 378

NOTE Figures Exclude V1 – Short Term Breaks

Table for LAC data (1 April to 30 June 2020)

	1st - 30th April 2020	1st - 31st May 2020	1st - 30th June 2020	TOTAL (1 April to 30 June 2020)
LAC Population	374	377	378	Stayed the same
Please specify number of New Entrants, inc:	5	8	5	18 Please see below *
- Emergency	4 emergency	7 emergency	3 emergency	14
- Planned	1 planned	1 planned	2 planned	4
	(note of these 1 Child BLA and Ceased in April)			
Please specify number of Moves	8 Moves (7 Children)	4 Moves (4 Children)	14 Moves (13 Children) **	26 moves (24 Children)

<p>Please specify number of Exits, inc:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leaving Care (Reached 18) - Revocations - Adoptions 	<p>9 (note of these 1 Child BLA and Ceased in April)</p> <p>E12 = 3 E4 = 4 E8 = 2</p>	<p>5</p> <p>E7 = 1</p> <p>E43 = 1 E12 = 1 E4 = 1 E8 = 1</p>	<p>4</p> <p>E10 = 1</p> <p>E12 = 1 E4 = 1 E8 = 1</p>	<p>18</p>
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Exit Reason Codes

<p>E4:Returned home to live with parents, relatives, or other person with parental responsibility (not under a residence order or special guardianship order)</p> <p>E12 Adopted consent dispensed with</p> <p>E8:Period Of Being Looked After Ceased For Any Other Reason</p> <p>E7:Transferred To Care Of Adult Social Services</p> <p>E43 Special guardianship order made to former foster carers</p> <p>E10: Turned 18 years old and continuing to live with foster parent/s in a When I Am Ready arrangement</p>

*Of the 18 children who became looked after we were already working with 13 of the families. The 5 previously unknown we have counted as emergencies – 2 were UASC. Of the other 13 there were 7 newborns all in families where we have previously removed children. These had all had CP conferences and PLO in place prior to birth but sadly interventions to remove were still required. We have also classed these as emergencies as we needed to go into Court on short notice.

** Of the moves during April, May and June the larger number in June included 2 sets of siblings.