

Herefordshire Children and Young People's Plan 2015 - 2018



OUR VISION FOR CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & FAMILIES

We want all children and young people in Herefordshire to have the best start in life and grow up healthy, happy and safe within supportive family environments.

- **Safeguarding** - part of our collective approach for children and family
- **Early help and prevention** – partnership approach, more than Children's Wellbeing Directorate; key to long term shift in use of resources and improvements in outcomes

Link to Health and Wellbeing Strategy

- The Children and Young People's Plan is an integral part of the Herefordshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy and is the means to achieve the Board priorities for children and young people...
 - ✓ Starting well with pregnancy, maternal health and smoking in pregnancy,
 - ✓ Immunisations for 0 to 5 year olds, breastfeeding, dental health and pre-school checks
 - ✓ Children with disabilities
 - ✓ Young offenders
 - ✓ Young people not in education, employment or training,
 - ✓ Looked after children



In Herefordshire, we have....

9,800 children aged between 0 and 5

22,999 pupils in schools, academies, free schools, special schools and a pupil referral unit

78 primary schools, **15** secondary schools, **1** all through school, **4** special schools and **1** pupil referral unit

99 childcare facilities, **116** childminders, **13** maintained nurseries and **5** independent schools with nurseries

17 Ofsted rated 'Outstanding' schools and **67** 'Good' schools (those which have been inspected)

4,027 16 to 19 year olds in education, employment or training

Helped to foster **702** children and young people between 2012 and 2015

40,000 children and young people under 19 years old

Helped **310** families through the families first programme between 2012 and 2015

84.5% of our students achieving at least three A-levels at grade A* - E (compared to 79.5% nationally)

68.7% of our students achieving five GCSEs (or equivalent) at grade A* - C (compared to 68.8% nationally)

4,250 children with special educational needs

297 looked after children

186 children with child protection plans

321 16 to 19 year olds not in education, employment or training

Safeguarding numbers as indicator for the whole system

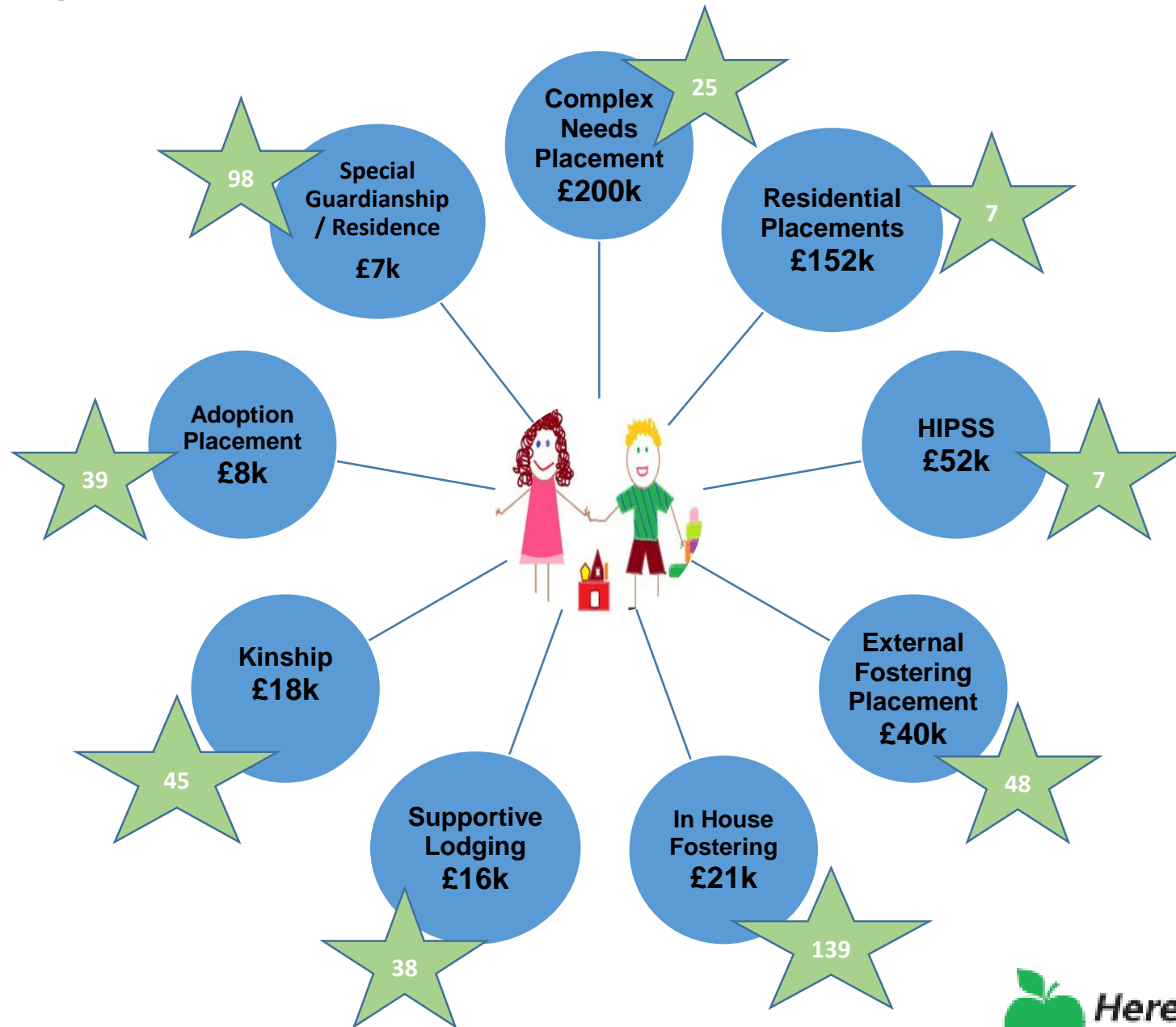
Child Protection at Dec 2015

- **274** children
- This equates to 71.35 per 10,000.
- Stat neighbours at March 15 was **70.26**
- West Midlands was **59.47** and all England was **42.9**.

LAC figures at Dec 15

- **299** children
- This equates to 77.86 per 10,000.
- Stat neighbours at March 15 was **50**
- West Midlands was **74.85** and all England was **69.5**.

Average annual cost and current numbers of children



Financial Implications...

- Significant financial pressures for public sector and partners e.g.:
 - c.30% reductions for the local authority,
 - c.16% for school budgets, and health funding pressures.
- Access to funding streams e.g. troubled families
- How to use collective resources at a time when these are shrinking significantly? Partnership-wide responsibility.
- No binding commitment to the funding. Funding will have to be adjusted to meet the requirements to reduce budgets for some partners, including the council.



PRIORITIES	No. OF CHILDREN/ FAMILIES	BUDGETS £000'S	SAVINGS £000'S	COMMENTARY
EARLY HELP	600	1,800	450	£1.8m is potential income if we can evidence 600 families are "turned around". Troubled Families funding over 3 years (15/16 - 17/18). The national cost calculator will be used to identifying savings. Savings are expected for all partners
0-5 EARLY YEARS	9,800	3,500	400	Health Visitors, School Nursing, Children's Centres, funding is from Council. The savings will be in safeguarding if prevention is successful.
MENTAL HEALTH & EMOTIONAL WELLBEING	8,620	1,400	TBC	funding by Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) £1.4m ZigZag £57k
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEED OF SAFEGUARDING	2,100	1,400	TBC	The savings are profiled over the next 5 years.
ADDRESSING CHALLENGES FOR ADOLESCENTS	1,600	TBC	300	Costs could relate to providing youth offending services (YOS) and not in education, employment or training (NEET) services. Development of Adolescents services.
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES	5,000	4,197	350	Complex needs solutions is funded by the CCG £500k, dedicated schools grant £1.5m and safeguarding £1.5m and short breaks funded by the council. In addition to this funding health contribute £1.1m. Adults have invested £250k in transition team to generate savings of £350k
TOTALS		18,185	4,300	

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Early help

Improve the early identification and response to critical issues affecting children and young people's development



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0 to 5 early years

Improve the health, wellbeing, developmental and educational outcomes of children aged 0 to 5 years



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Mental health and emotional wellbeing

Improve how we identify and support children, young people and their families to access help and services



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Children and young people in need of safeguarding

Improve how we identify and respond to safeguarding needs and risks



5

Addressing challenges for teenagers

Improve how we support young people's behavioural, emotional and social needs to ensure successful progression into adulthood



6

Children and young people with disabilities

Improve our range of services and education and learning opportunities



Progress so far...

	PROGRESS	RISKS
Children with Disabilities	Local offer in place, part of WISH Education health and care plans in place, positive start	Developing an integrated pathway and reconfiguring services to this
Early Years	Annual conversation and target setting with children centres explicitly focus on vulnerable	Achieving a fully coordinated and integrated early years approach
Early Help	Development of strategy for Herefordshire	Implementation and achieving transformation for children and families
Safeguarding	Care placement strategy in place and beginning to deliver (target £2.8m over five years)	Achieving high quality delivery across whole system Reducing numbers and costs
Emotional Health and Wellbeing	Strategy and action plan now in place and delivering eg CYP IAPT	Scale of change Impact – includes longer term change
Challenges for Adolescents	Established action plan. Education, training and employment improving in 2015. NEETs below target (=good!)	Addressing issues which can lead to teenagers coming into care

Early Help

By March 2018, we will have provided Early Help to 600 Herefordshire families.

This will enable us to access an additional £1.8million of funding from the government's troubled families programme to continue our early help and intervention work.



