

Children's Policy Development & Scrutiny Panel

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Children's Services

- » Children's Social Care Services
- » Youth Offending Service
- » Youth Connect, Connecting Families
- » Early Years and Children's Centres
- » Education-related Services
- » Commissioning and Planning
- » Safeguarding and Quality Assurance

Children's Social Care Services

- » Child Protection
- » Children in Need
- » Disabled Children
- » Children In Care
 - Care Orders
 - Accommodated
- » Care Leavers
- » Fostering and Adoption

Education-related services

- » 'Virtual School' for Children in Care
- » School improvement
- » Admissions, Transport, Place planning
- » Behaviour & Attendance
- » SEND
- » Educational Psychology
- » Children Missing Education Services
- » Hospital Education
- » Schools finance/Forum

Children's Commissioning

- » Commissioning services – internal/external/integrated
- » Strategy development & Participation
- » Safeguarding and QA, LSCB

The Local Picture

- » Total young person population of 38,000 (0-19yrs)
- » Child Protection Plans - 123
- » Looked After Children - 141
- » Children in Need - 634

Local Picture (comparative)

	B&NES	Stat N	National
CP Plans Per 10,000	32.8	33.2	42.1
CiC Per 10,000	41.4	41.5	60.0

Keeping Children Safe is Everybody's Business

- » Children's Safeguarding is one of the key duties for Local Authorities.
- » It is high profile. Service failure in this area represents major reputational risk.
- » Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB). This holds all responsible organisations to account for children's safeguarding.

Education Data

Average Primary School Attendance	96%
Average Secondary School Attendance	92.6%
Average Special School Attendance	87.3%

Permanent Exclusions	24	Primary: 6 Secondary: 18
Primary Fixed Term Exclusions	223.5 total days	46 pupils with a fixed term exclusion
Secondary Fixed Term Exclusions	1,102.5 total days	367 pupils with a fixed term exclusion
Special School Fixed Term Exclusions	215.5 total days	49 pupils with a fixed term exclusion

The number of schools in each of the Ofsted categories 2015

Schools	No of schools	Outstanding	Good	Require Improvement	Special Measures
Primary Maintained	55	13	35	7	0
Primary Academies	5	2	3	0	0
Secondary Maintained	3	1	2	0	0
Secondary Academies	10	2	6	2	0
Special Academies	3	2	0	0	0

* Roundhill Primary is classified as a new school and has not been inspected (this was previously Southdown Junior & Infant Schools The Link (Aspire) not yet inspected as a new school)

Schools	Good or Outstanding	Require Improvement	Special Measures
Primary	91%	9%	0
Secondary	94%	6%	0
*Special *Excludes The Link (Aspire)	100%	0	0

DSG Spend by service area

2015-16 Budget	£	%	Notes
DSG Total	120,162,510	100%	
Schools Direct	97,270,755	81%	
Early Years	7,366,144	6%	Includes all payments inc 2 yr olds
SEN Support	14,254,316	12%	Includes special school budget (top ups)
Management administration	1,271,295	1%	Includes admissions, finance, HR & office services & prudential borrowing

Pupils funded in 2015-16 budget

	Maintained Pupils	Academy Pupils	Total Pupils
Primary	11762	852	12614
% Maintained/Academy	93%	7%	
Secondary	2294	9963	12257
% Maintained/Academy	19%	81%	
Special	0	407	407
% Maintained/Academy	0%	100%	
Total	14056	11222	25278
% Maintained/Academy	56%	44%	

Current Issues for Children's Services

- » Child Sexual Exploitation and children “missing”
- » Safeguarding Adolescents in the on-line/24-7 world
- » The importance of ‘Early Help’. (Nationally, for every £4 spent on safeguarding, only £1 is spent on early help)
- » Ofsted Inspection and its fitness for purpose
- » Partnership working in times of austerity
- » School system planning and coherence
- » SEND Reform - implications