## Appendix 5 - 2021/22 Q4 CHILDREN'S SERVICES, EDUCATION AND LIFELONG SKILLS

Cabinet Member: Councillor Debbie Andre	
Portfolio Responsibilities:	<ul> <li>Education and Inclusion</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Children and Families</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Special Educational Needs</li> </ul>
Adoption	Alternative Education
Fostering	<ul> <li>Early Years Development</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Disabled Children Support</li> </ul>	School Improvement
Respite Care	<ul> <li>Access, Performance and Resources</li> </ul>
Early Help	Schools
Care Leavers	<ul> <li>Asset Management</li> </ul>
Safeguarding	<ul> <li>Home to School Transport</li> </ul>
Short Breaks	
Youth Service	

Service Updates - Key Aspirations and Ongoing Business Regular Hearing Young People's Experience (HYPE) meetings have taken place in Q4 which has informed the work of the Corporate Parenting Board, including preparations for the current Brightspots survey. The Youth Council has a co-allocated space for a member of HYPE to participate in the Youth Council to represent children open to social care, and young people continue to participate in recruitment panels for new social workers.

Work has started on updating our approach to providing sufficient Special Educational Needs (SEN) places. A mapping exercise has been undertaken and prospective sites have been highlighted for either expansion or new provision. The SEND Action plan continues to be overseen by the SEN Board, which is multi-agency and includes parents. The Green Paper published April 2022, indicates that a new Ofsted framework for area SEN inspection will be produced. Once the framework is known the action plan will be refreshed.

Consultation of Chillerton and Rookley Schools was completed in December, and the Cabinet has now decided not to pursue closure. The School Places Plan will be updated with the latest forecast pupil numbers by Autumn 2022.

The leadership and learning partner programme continues with a termly visit to all maintained schools to support improvement, and a structured programme of funded and sold activities is underway as part of the annual professional development programme. Schools are briefed regularly about areas of particular focus in inspections and intelligence is shared across schools.

We are reviewing end of year balances for each maintained school and further action will be put in place once this exercise is completed.

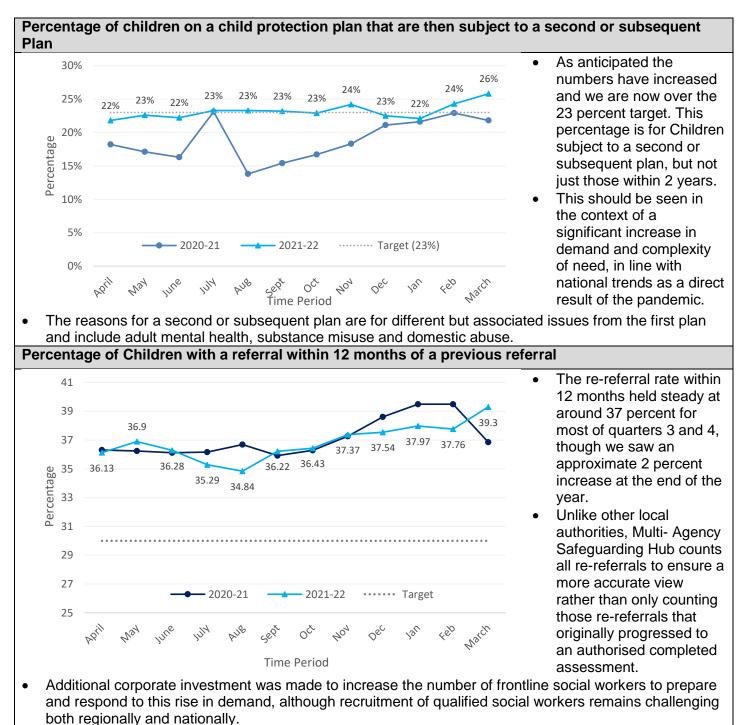
The Isle of Wight is seen as being a good practice model in relation to its Family Hubs and has participated and presented to a number of national conferences, workshops, and seminars. Funding has been awarded to support covid recovery through family workers in Family Hubs. In Q4, there were 449 early help plans open.

Workforce development sessions have been completed with all practitioners with regards to motivational interviewing and restorative practice. The Resilience Around Families Team (RAFT) continue to deliver effective interventions, thus contributing to a stabilisation of children

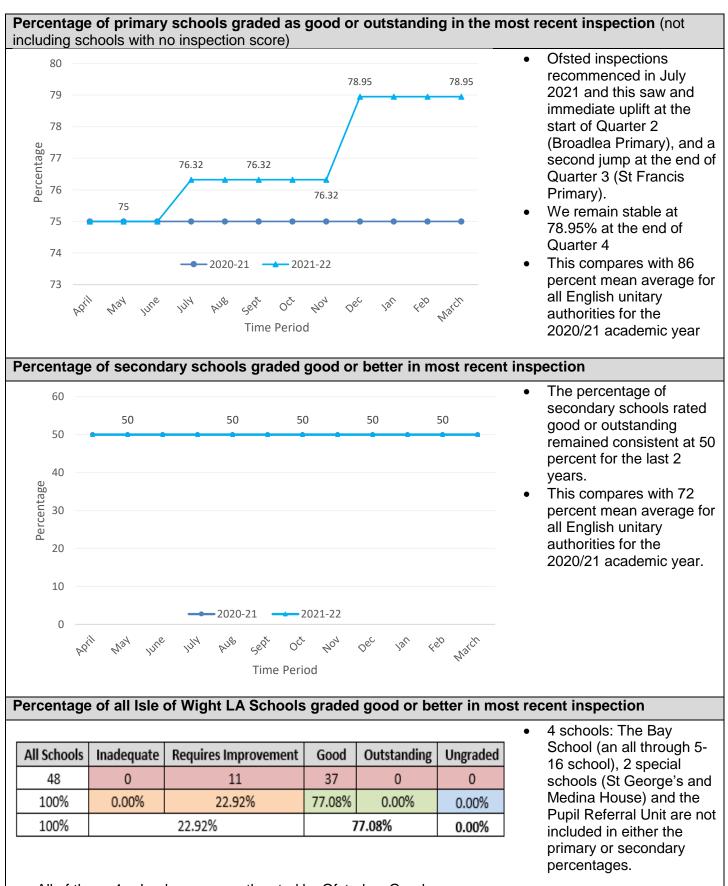
becoming looked after and supporting reunification for children with their families when it is safe to do so. In Q4 RAFT continued to work with 84 families.

The Modernising Placement Programme (MPP) will seek to increase capacity and resilience of in house foster carers through provision of additional support and training, as well as a number of other workstreams that will aim to address price and mix of placements. A business case is being drafted to secure additional investment to deliver this locally. A business case for increasing the number of foster carers and adopters is also nearing completion.

A new case management system 'Mosaic' has been successfully procured and implementation is underway with a planned go-live date in October 2022. The business processes are being reviewed and the training catalogue developed for the online training of all staff.

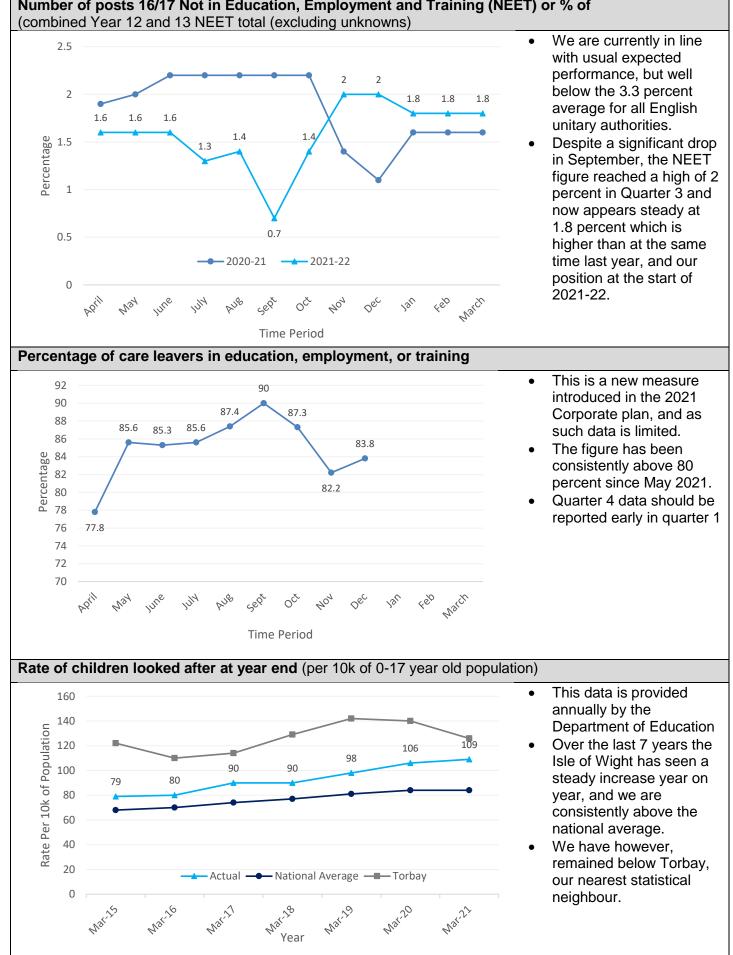


## **Performance Measures**

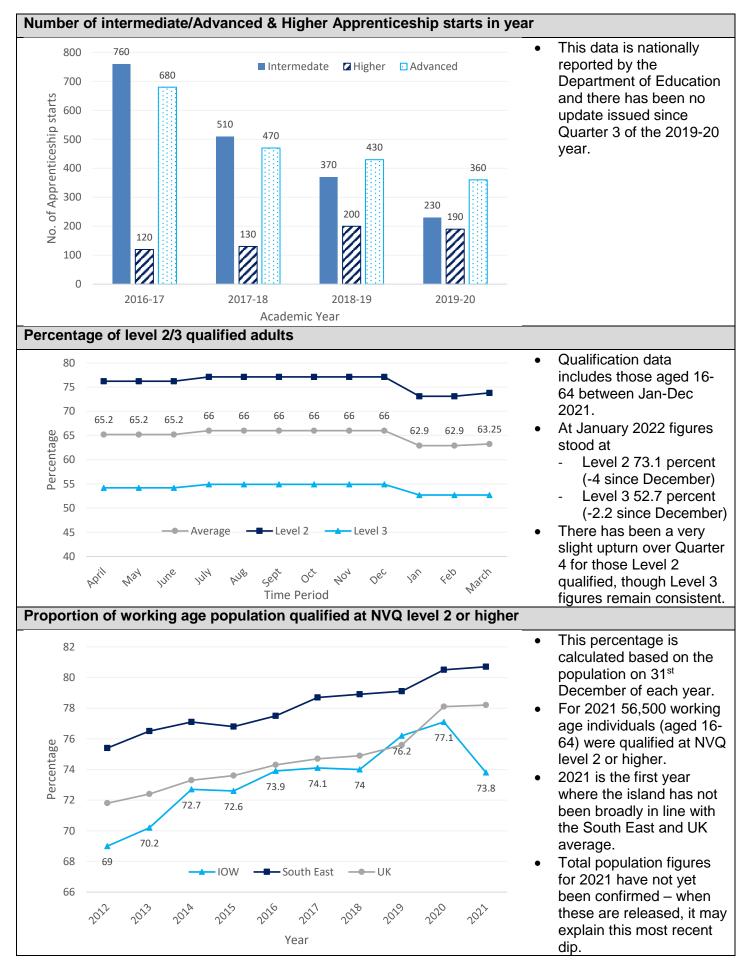


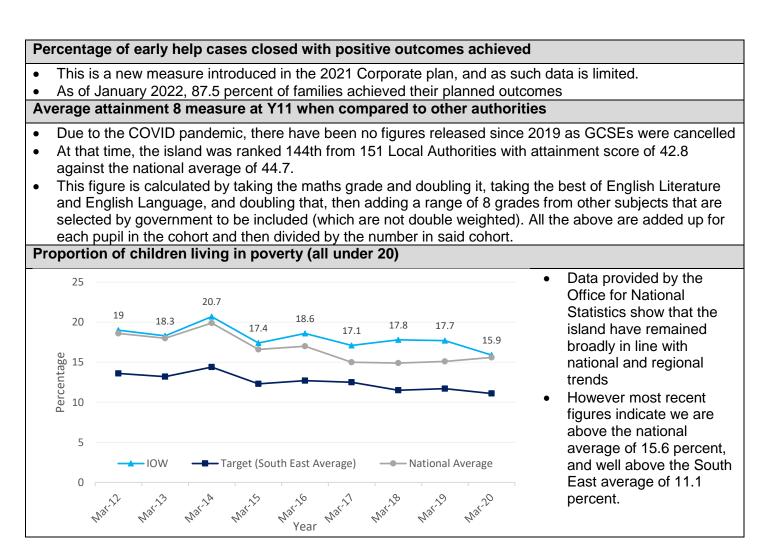
All of these 4 schools are currently rated by Ofsted as Good. •

Of the 48 schools across the island, including Primary, Secondary, Special Schools, Pupil Referral Unit, • All Through and Early years, 77 percent (37 schools) are rated as Good.



## Number of posts 16/17 Not in Education, Employment and Training (NEET) or % of





## Strategic Risks (As reported to Audit Committee March 2022)

Failure to improve educational attainment			
Assigned to: Director of Children's Services			
Inherent score	Target score	Current score	
16 RED	6 GREEN	10 AMBER	
Previous scores			
Nov 21	Sep 21	Jul 21	
10 AMBER	10 AMBER	10 AMBER	
No change to risk score			
Failure to identify and effectively manage situations where vulnerable children are subject to			
abuse			
Assigned to: Director of Children's Services			
Inherent score	Target score	Current score	
16 RED	5 GREEN	7 AMBER	
Previous scores			
Nov 21	Sep 21	Jul 21	
7 AMBER	7 AMBER	7 AMBER	
No change to risk score			