

Committee: **Corporate Parenting Panel**  
Date: **22 October 2010**  
Title of report: **Education Attainment of Looked After Children**  
By: **Director of Children's Services**  
Purpose of report: **To report on the education results for looked after children, and outline the priorities for 2009/10.**

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**Recommendation: The Panel is recommended to note and endorse the contents of the report.**

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**1. Financial Appraisal**

1.1 There are no financial implications in the report.

**2. Supporting information**

2.1 The report on the education results for looked after children in 2009/10 is attached as Appendix 1.

**3. Conclusion and reason for Recommendation**

3.1 The Corporate Parenting Panel is recommended to note and endorse the contents of the report.

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Local Members: All  
Background documents: None

## **Educational Outcomes for East Sussex Looked After Children 2010**

### **1. Results**

1.1 Each year we report on the outcomes of Looked After Children (LAC) from Year 6 (11 year olds) and Year 11 (16 year olds) against national indicators. The national indicator for 11 year olds measures the number of LAC who achieve a level 4 in English and a level 4 in Maths (level 4 represents the national expectation for all children). The national indicator for 16 year olds is the number of young people who achieve five GCSEs at grade C or above including English and Maths.

1.2 The achievement of LAC in East Sussex this year is encouraging.

1.3 31.8% of 11 year old LAC achieved a level 4 in English. This is low in comparison to the whole population, where around 80% of children achieve this, and lower than the 2009 outcome. However it is actually very good because over half the children in this year group have a statement of special educational needs and over 86% have an identified special need.

1.4 80% of LAC made the expected progress in English over the previous four years (the same as for all children.) This is a fantastic outcome. LAC with statements of SEN outperformed other children in English with statements of SEN.

1.5 27.3% of 11 year old LAC achieved a level 4 in Maths. This is also low in comparison to the whole population where around 80% of children achieve this.

1.6 63% of 11 year old LAC made the expected progress in maths over the previous four years. LAC with statements of SEN outperformed other children in Maths with statements of SEN.

1.7 23% (9/39) of 16 year old young people achieved five or more GCSEs at grade C and above including English and Maths compared to last year when only 4.4% achieved this in East Sussex and 9.8% of LAC nationally. In 2010 East Sussex LAC outperformed 2009 National LAC outcomes in three of the four measures. Progress between KS2 and KS4 however is still significantly lower than for the population as a whole.

1.9 The outcomes for children at the end of Year 2 (7 year olds) are above the outcomes for LAC nationally in reading (and close to national outcomes, but below in writing and in maths).

1.10 Monitoring the outcomes for care leavers (16+) presents a challenge which we are working with other teams to overcome. However we are delighted there are 13 care leavers currently studying for degree level courses at university.

### **2. Analysis**

2.1 There are many factors that have contributed to these improved outcomes, at a school level these have included:

- Accurate tracking and monitoring of LAC from the Virtual School enabling more targeted intervention
- Improved support strategies including direct intervention from the Virtual School such as 1:1 tuition, a revision residential and mentoring.

### **3. Conclusion**

3.1 In conclusion we are pleased with the outcomes this year which show clear evidence of closing the gap in performance between LAC and the population as a whole. However, we are not complacent and recognise the need to continue to monitor and support all LAC so that we achieve our goal that the progress they make is the same as the progress one would expect for any young person.

**Key Stage 1 (7 year olds) in detail**

	Reading	Writing	Maths
W	9.5%	9.5%	9.5%
L1	19.0%	47.6%	42.9%
2C	19.0%	19.0%	9.5%
2B	23.8%	9.5%	9.5%
2A	4.8%	9.5%	23.8%
3+	23.8%	4.8%	4.8%
L2+ East Sussex Lac 2010	71.4%	42.9%	47.6%
L2+ National LAC 2009	58.0%	52.0%	65.0%
L2+ National all pupils	84.4%	80.9%	89.5%

**Key Stage 2 (11 year olds) in detail**

Last three year summary NI 99 (English L4+) and NI 100 (Maths L4+) Looked after children

	2008 East Sussex	2008 National	2009 East Sussex	2009 National	2010 East Sussex
NI 99 (English L4+)	45%	46%	29.6%	46%	27.3%
NI 100 (Maths L4+)	40%	44%	33.3%	46%	31.8%

	KS2 Results		Numbers En	Numbers Ma	ENGLISH L4+	MATHS L4+	2009 English L4 LAC	% Maths Level 4	2010 English L4 East Sussex	2010 Maths L4 East Sussex
	Numbers En	Numbers Ma								
All Children	22	22	7	6						
KS1 Results at level 1 or below	14	12	2	0						
Prior attainment at KS2										
KS1 results at Level 2c	6	5	3	1						
KS1 results at Level 2b	2	3	2	3						
KS1 results at Level 2a	0	1	0	1						
KS1 results at Level 3 or above	0	1	0	1						
Not SEN	3	3	2	1						
School Action	1	1	1	0						
School Action Plus	6	6	1	1						
Statement	12	12	3	3						
ALL SEN	19	19	5	4						

The tables show the progress of Looked After Children from Key Stage 1 The analysis is one that is used now nationally. In English 80% of looked after children made 2 levels of progress compared to 82% of all children nationally in 2009. In maths 63% of looked after children made 2 levels of progress compared

Prior Key Stage 1 Level Eng		Key Stage 2 English 2010 LAC - number of learners										Total	Nat 09
		Other	B.N	2	3	4	5	2L	Denom	Total			
other or no data				1								1	
W			5	1	3			4	4			9	100%
1					2	1		3	3			3	85%
2	1				2	5		5	7			8	88%
3						1			1			1	69%
4												0	89%
Total	1	5	1	8	7	0	12	15	22			22	82%

Prior Key Stage 1 Level Eng		Key Stage 2 English 2010 LAC - percentage of learners										Total	Nat 09
		Other	B.N	2	3	4	5	2L	Denom	Total			
other or no data					100%							1	100%
W			56%	11%	33%		100%	4				9	100%
1					67%	33%	100%	3				3	85%
2		13%			25%	63%	71%	7				8	88%
3						100%	100%	1				1	69%
4												0	89%
Total	5%	23%	5%	36%	32%	80%	15	22				22	82%

Prior Key Stage 1 Level Eng		Key Stage 2 maths 2010 LAC - number of learners										Total	Nat 09
		Other	B.N	2	3	4	5	2L	Denom	Total			
other or no data					1							1	100%
W		2	2	1	1		2	2	2			6	100%
1				3	2		2	5	5			5	71%
2	1			1	2	5	5	8	9			9	81%
3						1	1	1	1			1	82%
4												0	95%
Total	3	2	5	6	5	1	10	16	22			22	81%

Prior Key Stage 1 Level Eng		Key Stage 2 maths 2010 LAC - percentage of learners										Total	Nat 09
		Other	B.N	2	3	4	5	2L	Denom	Total			
other or no data					100%							1	100%
W		33%	33%	17%	17%		100%	2				6	100%
1				60%	40%		40%	5				5	71%
2		11%		11%	22%	56%	63%	8				9	81%
3							100%	1				1	82%
4												0	95%
Total	14%	9%	23%	27%	23%	5%	63%	16	22			22	81%

**Key Stage 4 (15+ year olds) in detail**

Last three year summary NI 101 (5+ A\*-C including English and Maths)

2008 East Sussex	2008 National	2009 East Sussex	2009 National	2010 East Sussex
8.8% (check)	na	4.4%	9.8%	23.1%

All KS4 outcome measures East Sussex 2010 LAC compared to national LAC 2009

5+ A*-C including En/Ma	5+ A*-C	5+ A*-G	1+ A*-G
23.1%	30.8%	48.7%	79.5%
9.8%	18.8%	49.3%	71.5%

	Numbers						Percentage LAC East Sussex				Percentage All East Sussex 2009				
	En	Ma	C	A*	A	G	En and Ma	A*-C	A*	A	G	En and Ma	A*-C	A*	A
KS4 Results	All Children	39	9	12	19	31	23.1%	30.8%	48.7%	79.5%	50.6%	71.4%	92.9%	98.3%	
	KS2 Results at level 2 or below	14	0	0	2	6	0.0%	0.0%	14.3%	42.9%	0.0%	9.9%	41.4%	77.9%	
	KS2 results at Level 3	4	0	1	2	4	0.0%	25.0%	50.0%	100.0%	4.9%	34.1%	85.4%	97.7%	
	KS2 results at Level 4	11	4	5	7	11	36.4%	45.5%	63.6%	100.0%	44.7%	72.0%	96.0%	99.5%	
	KS2 results at Level 5 or above	3	3	3	3	3	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	89.8%	96.7%	98.9%	99.8%	
	KS2 results not known	7	2	3	4	6	28.6%	42.9%	57.1%	85.7%	47.8%	67.5%	86.4%	94.2%	
Not SEN	12	7	9	10	12	58.3%	75.0%	83.3%	100.0%	62.0%	82.5%	98.4%	99.8%		
School Action	3	1	1	2	2	33.3%	33.3%	66.6%	66.7%	17.4%	48.2%	91.3%	99.3%		
School Action Plus	6	1	1	2	6	16.7%	16.7%	33.3%	100.0%	12.8%	30.0%	70.9%	94.2%		
Statement	18	0	1	5	11	0.0%	5.6%	27.8%	61.1%	6.8%	15.0%	43.0%	75.8%		
not known															
ALL SEN	27	1	2	6	12	3.7%	7.4%	22.2%	44.4%	13.9%	35.8%	76.5%	93.4%		

		Number of Pupils ENGLISH														
		No KS4	U	G	F	E	D	C	B	A	A*	3L	Den	Pupils		
KS2 English	Other or no data	2	1	1	1	1	2	2				0	2	7		
	B,N	8	1	1	1	2	1	1				3	11	13		
	2	1										0	1	1		
	3		1	2	1	1						1	4	4		
	4		1		3	2	5					5	11	11		
	5						1	1	1			2	3	3		
Total		11	1	3	4	6	3	9	1	1	0	11	32	39		
		Number of Pupils MATHS														
		No KS4	U	G	F	E	D	C	B	A	A*	3L	Den	Pupils		
KS2 English	Other or no data	2			1	2	1	3				0	2	9		
	B,N	8	1	1	3							0	9	13		
	2				1							0	1	1		
	3	1			1	1	1					1	3	3		
	4			1	1	3	2	2				4	9	9		
	5					1	1	1	2			2	4	4		
Total		11	1	2	7	3	5	6	4	0	0	7	28	39		

		Percentage of Pupils ENGLISH														
		No KS4	U	G	F	E	D	C	B	A	A*	3L	Den.	Pupils	Nat 09	
KS2 English	Other or no data	29%	0%	14%	14%	14%	0%	29%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2	7	64%	
	B,N	62%	0%	8%	8%	15%	0%	8%	0%	0%	0%	27%	11	13	46%	
	2	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1	1	56%	
	3	0%	0%	25%	50%	0%	25%	0%	0%	0%	0%	25%	4	4	51%	
	4	0%	9%	0%	0%	27%	18%	45%	0%	0%	0%	45%	11	11	67%	
	5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	33%	33%	33%	0%	67%	3	3	78%	
Total		28%	3%	8%	10%	15%	8%	23%	3%	3%	0%	34%	32	39	67%	
		Number of Pupils maths														
		No KS4	U	G	F	E	D	C	B	A	A*	3L	Den.	Pupils	Nat 09	
KS2 English	Other or no data	22%	0%	0%	11%	22%	11%	33%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2	9	69%	
	B,N	62%	8%	8%	23%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	9	13	21%	
	2	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1	1	23%	
	3	33%	0%	0%	33%	0%	33%	0%	0%	0%	0%	33%	3	3	36%	
	4	0%	0%	11%	11%	0%	33%	22%	22%	0%	0%	44%	9	9	62%	
	5	0%	0%	0%	0%	25%	0%	25%	50%	50%	0%	50%	4	4	76%	
Total		28%	3%	5%	18%	8%	13%	15%	10%	0%	0%	25%	28	39	60%	