

Knowsley – Picture of Sufficiency

Knowsley Provider Forum

1st June 2018

Current Knowsley CLA Snapshot

- 288 Children Looked After (w/c 29 May 2018):
 - 92 (32%) with external provision
 - 97 (34%) with inhouse provision (90 foster, 7 resi)
 - 99 (34%) with family/friends/parents/other
- Of the 92 in external provision:

CATEGORY	# of Placements	% of Total	Change	# 12 months ago
Semi-Independent /16+	9	10%	-2	11
IFA	54	59%	-7	61
Short Breaks IFA	1	1%	-1	2
Other Local Authority Foster Care	1	1%	0	1
Parent and Child Residential	0	N/A	-1	1
Secure	3	3%	+3	0
Residential Home	14	15%	+4	10
Residential School	2	2%	+1	1
Residential Home with Education	9	10%	0	9
TOTAL EXTERNAL PLACEMENTS	92		-4	96

External Placement Activity

- In 2017/18, we made 70 external placements:
 - 15 x 16+ SAIL
 - 22 x IFA (+1 x Other LA foster)
 - 23 x Resi
 - 6 x Secure
 - 3 x Parent & Child
- In 2016/17, we made 69 external placements:
 - 20 x 16+ SAIL
 - 28 x IFA (+ 1 x Other LA foster; + 1 x IFA Short Break)
 - 15 x Resi
 - 1 x Parent & Child (+ 2 x P&C IFA Assessment)
 - 1 x Resi School

Supply in Knowsley: Residential

- Including KMBC, there are 7 providers of residential children's homes within Knowsley. In total, there are 16 children's home, accounting for 53 beds overall (40 'external', 13 'inhouse')

Home	Provider	Ofsted ID	Beds	Postcode
Farnworth House	Continuum	SC473375	2	WA8
Logwood	IDEM	1240449	3	L35
The Holt	KMBC	1242116	4	L32
Fullerton Grove (Short Breaks)	KMBC	SC037647	4	L36
Bedford Close Children's Home	KMBC	SC037657	3	L36
James Holt Avenue Children's Home (Edge of Care)	KMBC	SC037670	2	L32
Rose House	Lytham Care	1234432	2	L32
Lytham House	Lytham Care	SC454035	5	L32
Westfield	Lytham Care	SC482340	1	TBC
Brook Cottage	New Start	SC409738	4	L34
Spencer House	New Start	SC471289	3	L35
Fieldview	Progressive Futures	SC431931	3	L34
Wayside	QPC	SC052744	5	L36
Bluebell Cottage	QPC	SC062248	4	L35
Derby Cottage	QPC	SC356929	3	L34
Lawrence House	QPC	SC405448	5	L36
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Demand from Knowsley: Residential

- As of 1st June, Knowsley had 23 CLA in **external** residential homes, of which:
 - 9 were residential with education attached, 14 were residential only
 - 10 female (43%), 13 male (57%)
 - Age range from 7 to 17, average age of 14½
 - 1 in-borough, 22 'OOB' (4 in LCR, 18 outside LCR)
 - Average length of time in placement is 13 months
 - We made 23 resi (for 18 CYP) placements in 2017/18 (up from 15 placements, for 13 CYP, in 2016/17)

Supply in Knowsley: Fostering

- KMBC foster beds = 157
- IFA beds = 93 (PNW 2017 census)

IFA	Households	Capacity
Alpha Plus Fostering	2	4
Barnardos	6	14
By the Bridge	3	6
Foster Care Associates	4	8
Foster Careline	2	5
Fostering Limited	4	8
Fostering Matters	2	5
Fostering People Ltd	4	7
Fostering Solutions Ltd	7	5
National Fostering Agency	7	12
Orange Grove	1	3
Parallel Parents	3	5
SWIIS Foster Care	1	2
TACT	1	3
Three Circles Fostering	1	2
Together Trust	1	4
Grand Total	49	93

Demand from Knowsley: Fostering

- As of 1st June, Knowsley had 54 CLA in IFA placements, of which:
 - 13 sibling placements (32 CYP)
 - 23 female (43%), 31 male (57%)
 - Age range from 2 to 17, average age of 11
 - 13 in-borough, 41 'OOB' (28 in LCR, 13 outside LCR)
 - Average length of time in placement is 2½ years
 - We made 22 IFA (for 20 CYP) placements in 2017/18 (down from 28 placements in 2016/17)

Supply in Knowsley: 16+ SAIL

- The provision of ‘supported & independent living’ accommodation for 16/17 year old Children Looked After is not a regulated sector, and therefore can be difficult to fully track and profile the provision within any LA area
- There are three strands to this market: 1) group living units; 2) accommodation with floating support; 3) floating support only
- Known ‘group living’ accommodation in Knowsley are listed below:

Provider	Address	Postcode
Aftercare The Next Step	Lansbury Road, Huyton	L36 6BZ
Revolve Therapy	Bluebell Lane, St Michaels, Huyton	L36 7SA
Omega Care	Station Road, Prescot	L34 5SN

- KMBC also have an agreement with KHT for the provision of 1-bed flats, with floating support commissioned separately

Demand from Knowsley: 16+ SAIL

- As of 1st June, Knowsley had 9 CLA in 16+ SAIL placements, of which:
 - 7 in 'group living', 2 in 'accomm with floating support'
 - 4 female (44%), 5 male (56%)
 - Age range from 16 to 18, average age of 17½
 - 4 in-borough, 5 'OOB' (3 in LCR, 2 outside LCR)
 - Average length of time in placement is 6 months
 - We made 15 (for 12 CYP) placements in 2017/18 (down from 20, for 15 CYP, placements in 2016/17)

Conclusions & Projected Needs

- Stable overall numbers, small movements within
 - e.g. Resi up; IFA and SAIL down
- But reasons behind this: challenging market conditions and challenging CLA cohort
- Knowsley's needs:
 - more complex adolescents (inc. challenging behaviour, CE, LD, autism, MH)
 - step down from Secure/MH/Resi
 - specialist provision that is resilient, skilled, solo/small

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