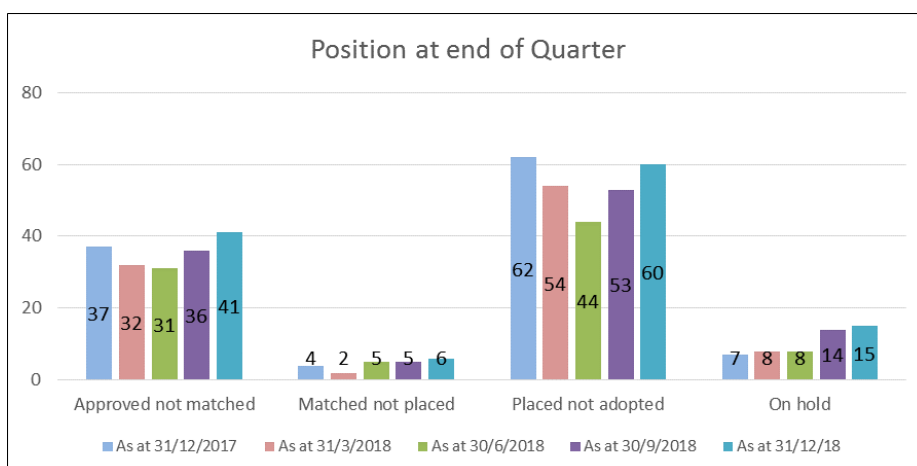
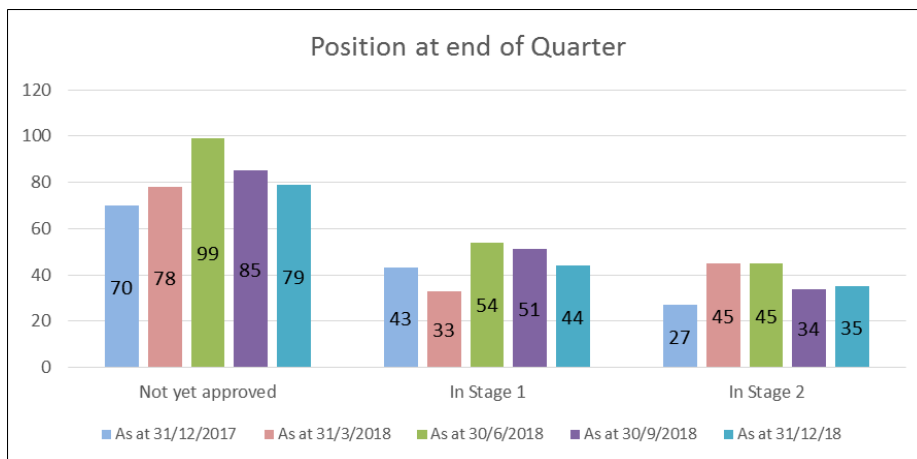


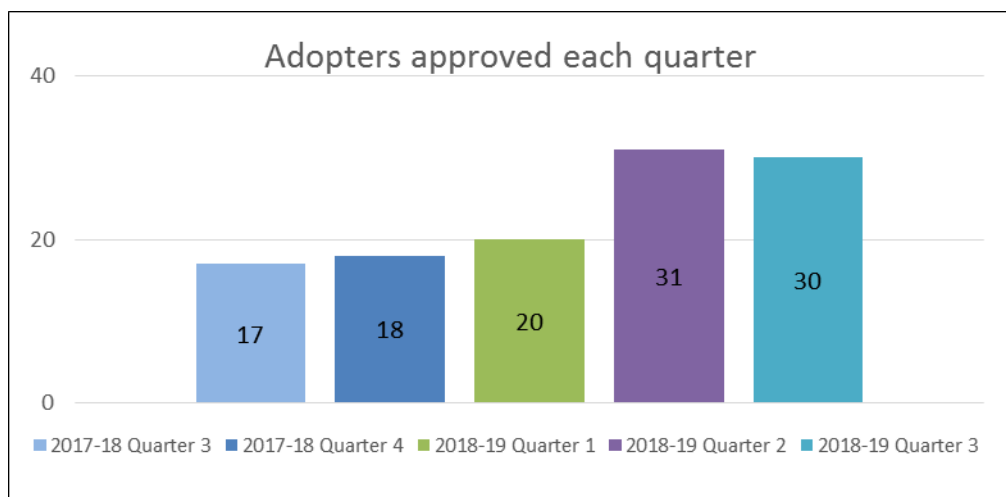


Highlight Report on performance for the board

October to December 2018

a) **Sufficiency:** Are enough of the right kind of adopters being recruited and approved to meet the needs of the children waiting?





During the 3rd Quarter we achieved 30 approvals of which 6 are open to EPP, none have specified to take over 5 years and 3 are willing to take a sibling group of 2.

The target for the three quarters of 2018-19 was 83 approvals and to date the figure is 81.

At the end of quarter 3, 41 adoptive families were approved but not yet matched, of which 5 are FFA, of the other 36 families, 8 have a matching panel booked. This leaves 28 families of which 7 are open to EPP, none have stated to take a child over 5 years of age and 5 have indicated they would take a sibling group of 2 children.

Adopters

Of the 30 adoptive families who ended Stage 1 in quarter 3,

- 17 were in stage 1 for more than 2 months

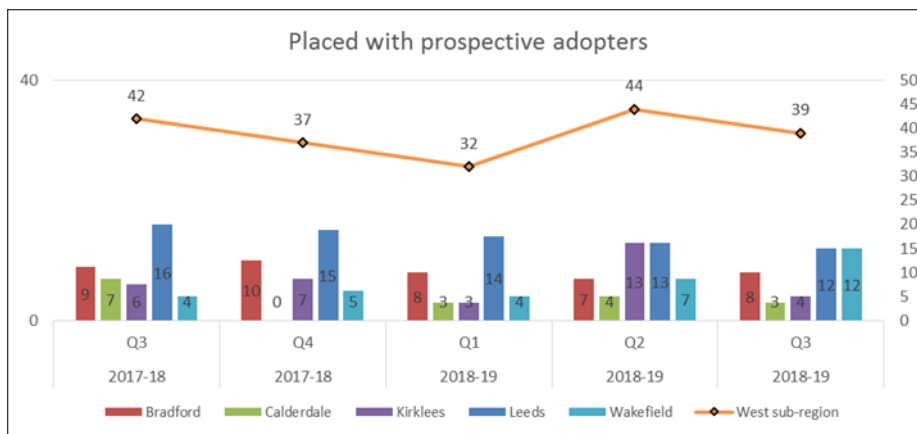
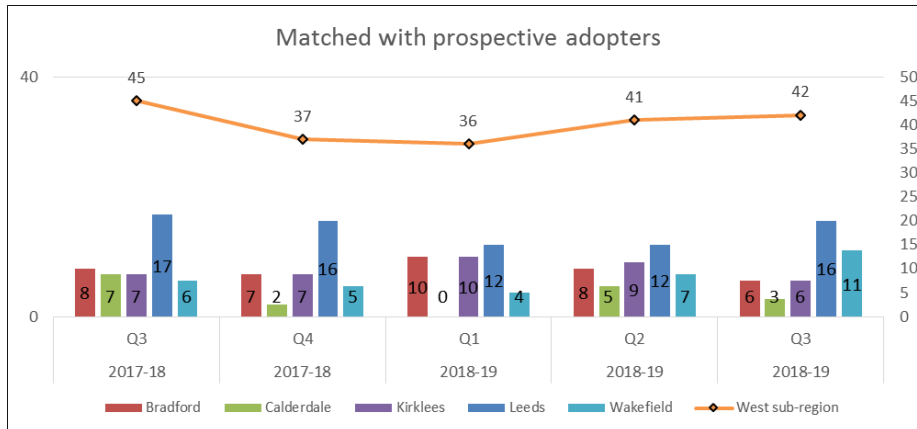
Of the 30 adoptive families who ended Stage 2 (Approved) in quarter 3,

- 4 were in stage 2 for more than 4 months

Delays in stage 1 tend to be regarding getting medicals completed by GP's and undertaking DBS checks in the early stages.

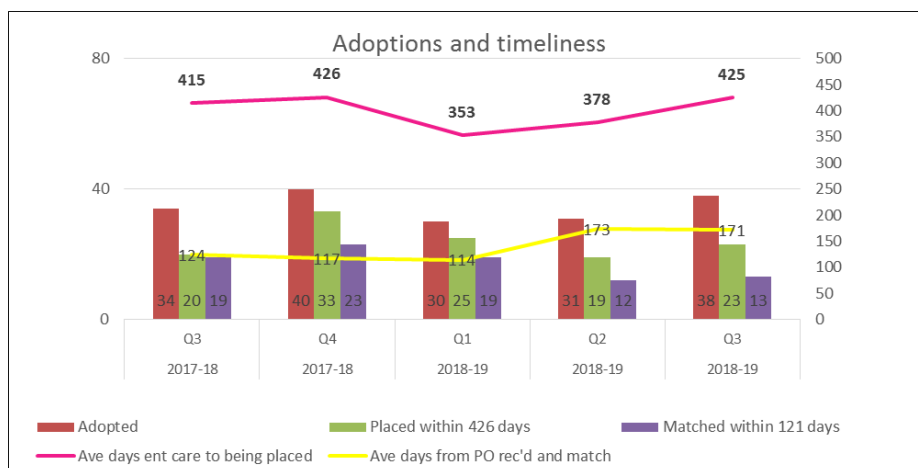
- b) Timeliness:** Are children being matched and placed without delay including those children who wait longer?

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It is clear from these graphs that in the third quarter that there has been an increase in children matched compared to the first two quarters with a slight decrease of children placed compared to quarter two but still an increase overall. This includes 19 children placed who wait longer due to their needs (e.g. over the age of 5 years; sibling groups, BME & children with disabilities).

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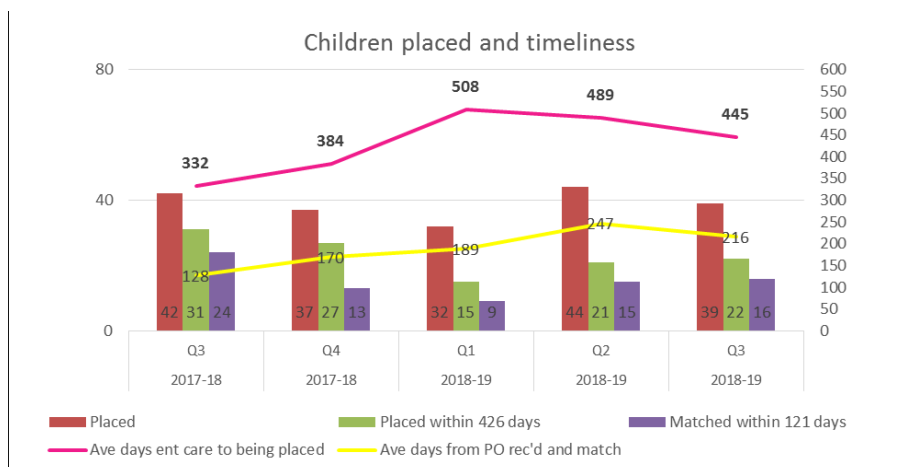


The graph immediately above is with regard to children adopted in the period. The A1 scorecard indicator of children adopted is below national indicator of 426 days at 425 days.

The A2 scorecard indicator is above national indicator in quarter 3. Of the 38 children adopted in quarter 3, 18 of these were classed as children who wait longer to match, this affects the overall average timeliness.

A1 indicator of the children placed: (see table below)

This shows an improvement in quarter 3 of timeliness and includes 19 children who had more than 500 days between entering care and being placed making the average 445 days, without these 19 children it brings the average down to 308.



Case examples of all the children placed:-

19 were children who wait longer (e.g. classed by the DfE as harder to place children)

2 were aged 5+ years

11 were part of a sibling group

8 were Black and minority ethnic (BME)

A2 indicator:

21 of the 42 children took more than 121 days from Placement Order to match:-

Of the 21, 14 are in the cohort above.

At the end of December 2018, 53 children who have been waiting for at least 18 months since entering care and are not placed:

Of these 53 children, 34 entered care between 2013 and 2016 – this is shared across all LA's. 3 of these 34 children have been matched and awaiting placement.

44 are classed as "hard to place" children (5+years old, sibling group, disability, BME), of which 25 have more than one of these characteristics. 9 of the 53 children are however not classed as hard to place so further exploration of these 9, to understand the issues, is underway.



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One Adoption West Yorkshire quarterly performance report

October to December 2018

Introduction/summary

This is the third quarterly report for 2018-19, providing an update on One Adoption West Yorkshire.

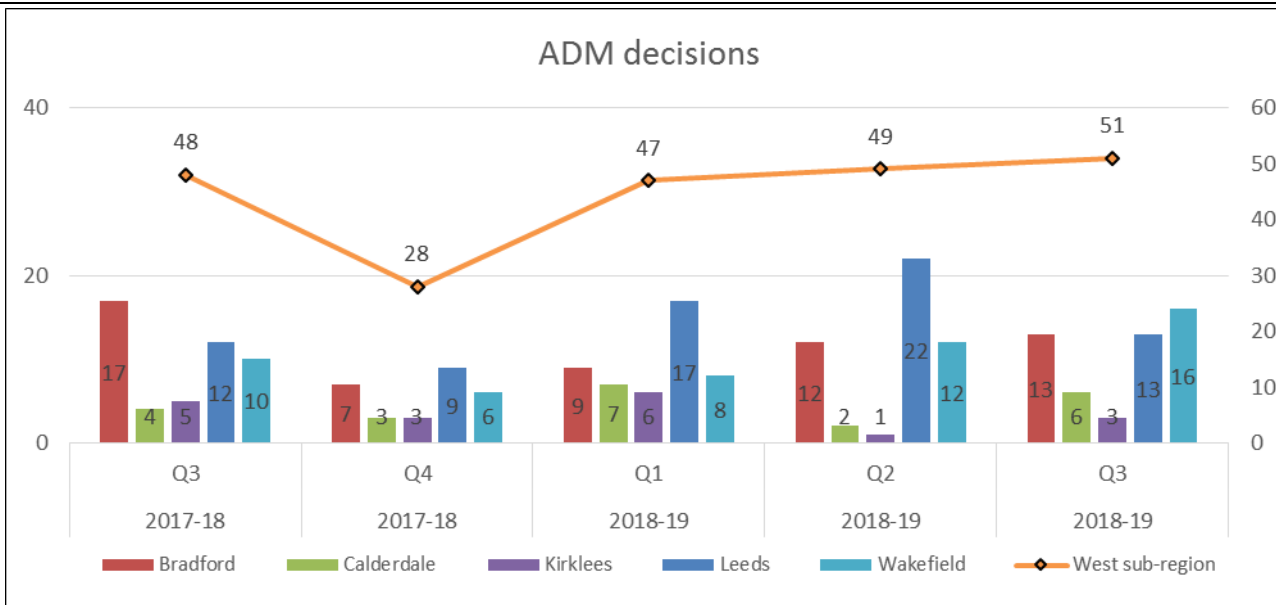
This report is based in the premise of how much work has been undertaken in the period, how well and what difference has it made. The report is a simple and concise report, with detailed tables in appendices. The report contains a number of tables and charts (when trends allow).

Children

This section of the report provides headline figures relating to children and young people at various stages of the adoption process within West Yorkshire. Greater detail, including a breakdown by the five local authorities, is contained within the graphs on the following page. The figures in bold are for the current quarter and those in brackets are for the same quarter of the previous year.

How much did we do?	How well did we do it?
<p>During the quarter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 286 (308) children left care, 38 (34) were adopted <i>During 2017/18 162 children were adopted, average 41 per quarter (13.9%)</i>• 51 (48) children had an ADM decision made <i>During 2017/18 191 children had ADM decision made, average 48 per quarter</i>• 45 (50) placement orders were granted <i>During 2017/18 169 placement orders were granted, average 42 per quarter</i>• 42 (45) children were matched to an adoptive family – 11 (13) inter agency placements 26% (29%) <i>During 2017/18 154 children were matched, average 39 per quarter</i>• 39 (42) children were placed with an adoptive family <i>During 2017/18 157 children were placed, average 39 per quarter</i>• 4 (3) children in new EPP <i>During 2017/18 16 children were in new EPP, average 4 per quarter</i>• 111 Children added to tracking• 5 (7) Children had a change of plan away from adoption• 0 (2) Children had an adoption disruption	<p>Statutory Scorecard Data</p> <p>For the 38 (34) children who were adopted during quarter 3 2018/19, it took an average of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 425 (415) days between a child entering care and moving in with their adoptive family (National Indicator is 426 days) (England Average is 520)• 171 (124) days between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family (National indicator is 121 days) (England average is 220)• 23 (20) were placed within 426 days of entering care, this is 61% (59%).• 13 (19) were matched within 121 days, this is 34% (56%) <hr/> <p>For the 39 (42) children who were placed during quarter 3 2018/19, it took an average of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 445 (332) days between a child entering care and moving in with their adopter family – *(19 of the 43 children took more than 500 days)* if these 19 children were taken out of the equation the average number of days would be 308• 216 (128) days between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family• 22 (31) were placed within 426 days of entering care, this is 56% (69%)• 16 (24) were matched within 121 days, this is 41% (53%)• For the 42 (45) children matched with an adoptive family during the quarter it took an average of 199 (130) days from placement order and 407 (322) days from entering care (10 of the 42 children took more than 500 days between entering care and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family), if these children were taken out of the equation the average number of days would be 313• 13% (15%) of children leaving care were adopted, (England average is 14%)

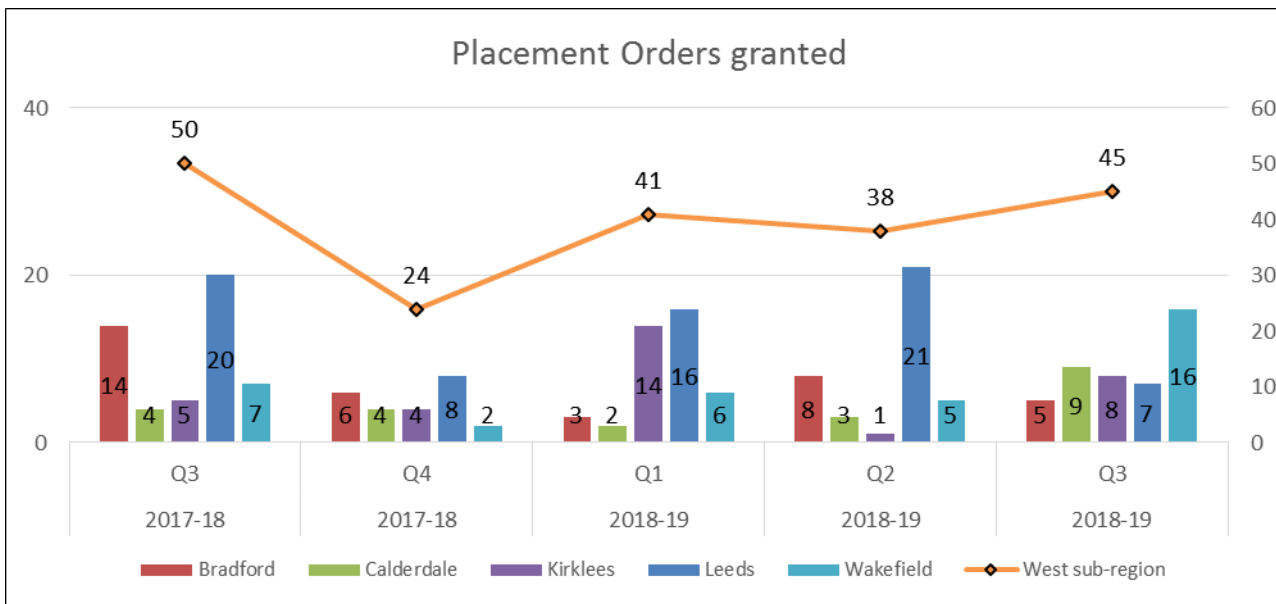
<p>How much did we do? <i>At the end of the quarter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 191 (145) children have an ADM decision but not yet matched • 203 (162) children have an ADM decision but are not yet placed • 147 (122) children have a placement order but are not yet placed. Of these, 53 (54) have been waiting for at least 18 months since entering care. 92 (74) children have been waiting more than 121 days since the placement order was made • 10 children with an ADM decision have a potential match identified 	<p>How well did we do it?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 children were placed within 308 days of entering care with their adoptive family. Children who wait longer were also placed but this impacts upon the timescales.
<p>What would we like to do better?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are a growing number of children with a placement order not yet placed and 92 children who have been waiting for more than 121 days. We track these children within OAWY and each LA looks at this data. We would like to establish firm systems that are effective with each LA to ensure that there is a joint understanding of the plans for children and where there may be barriers to finding families. 	<p>What difference did we make?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A 6 year old girl who is black African, with health complications has been placed for adoption with an early adoption support package in place to support the placement.



Commentary

This graph shows numbers of children who had an ADM decision over the last 5 quarters, thus showing figures for the same quarter in the previous year

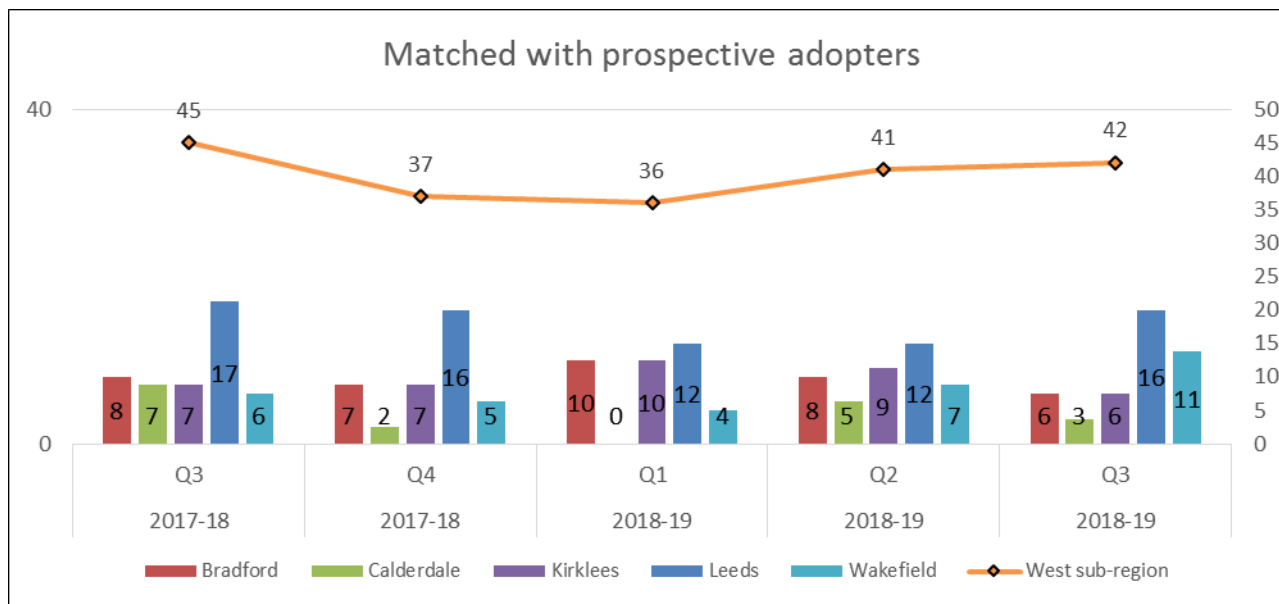
A steady increase in ADM's across the region



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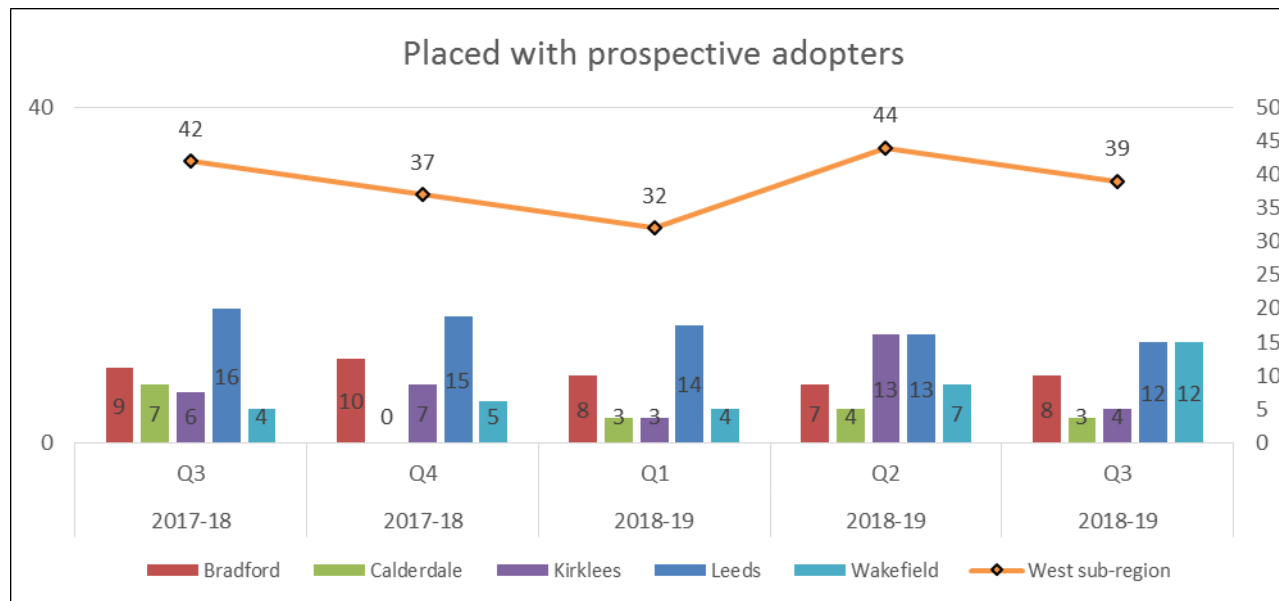
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A steady increase in Placement orders across the region but still a decline from Q3 last year.



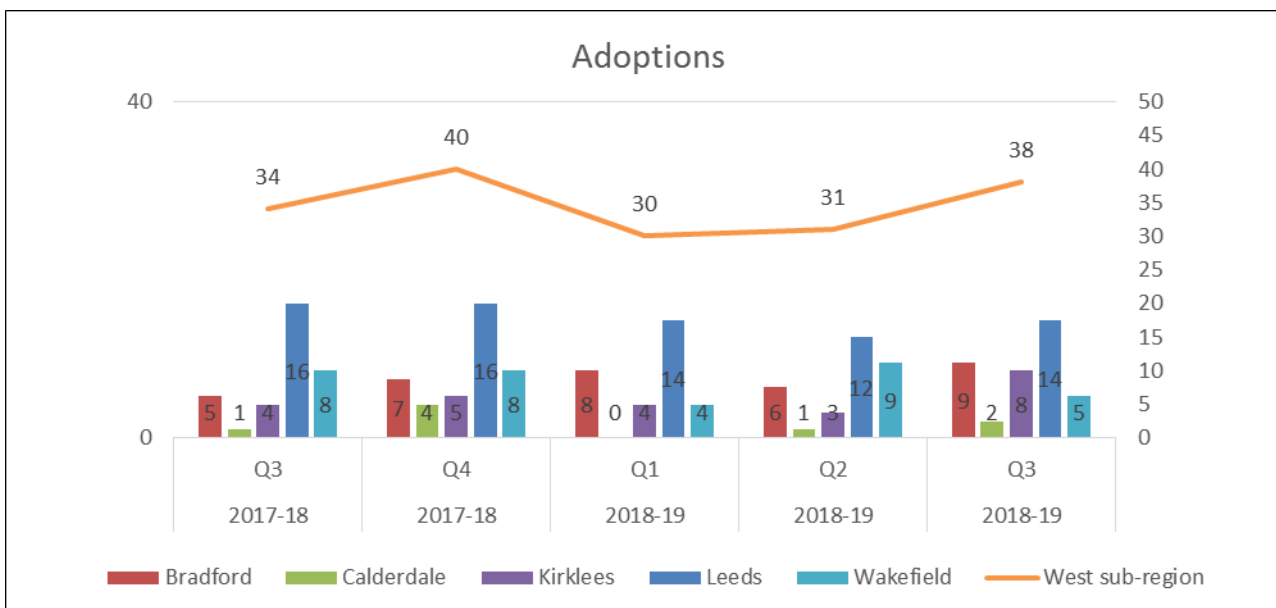
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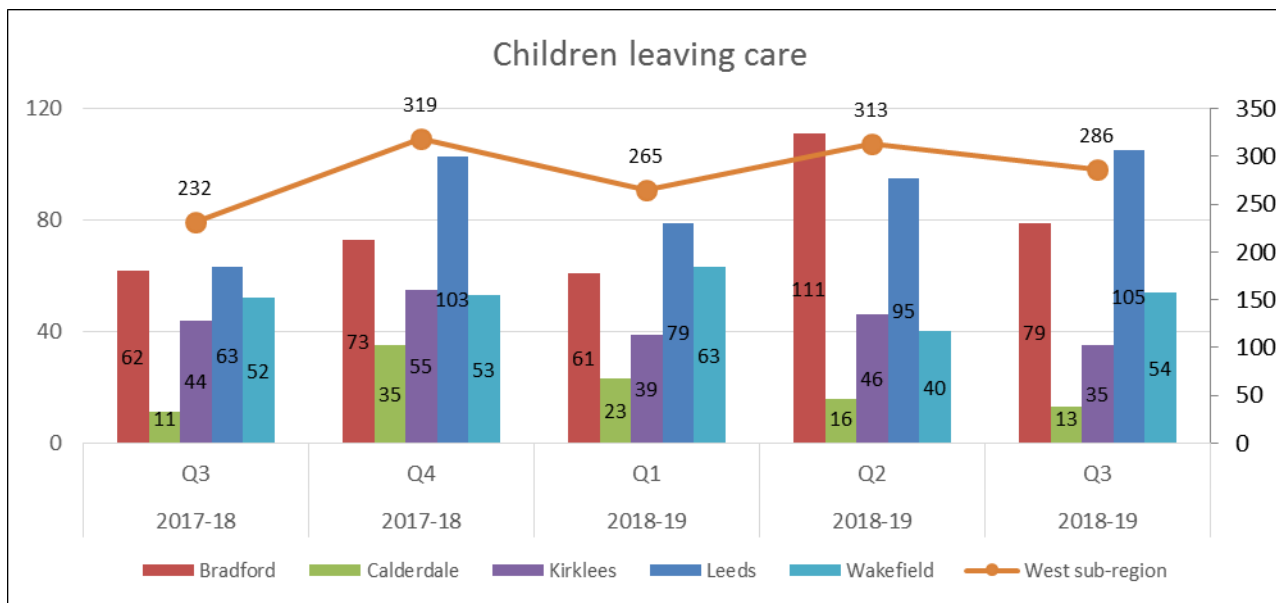
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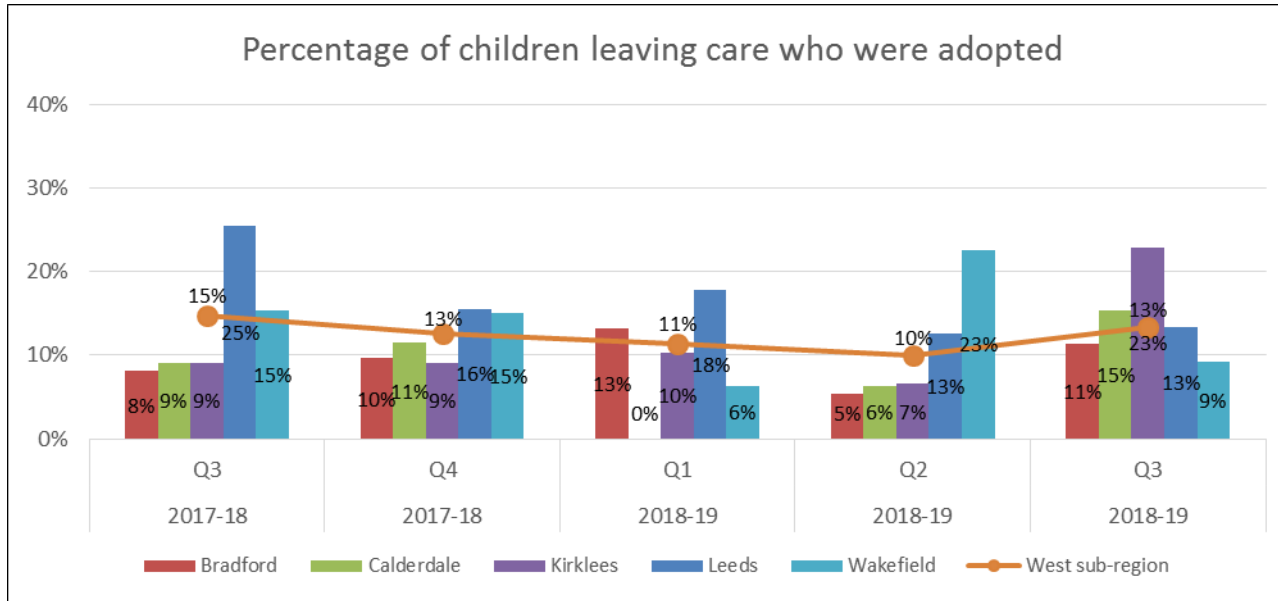
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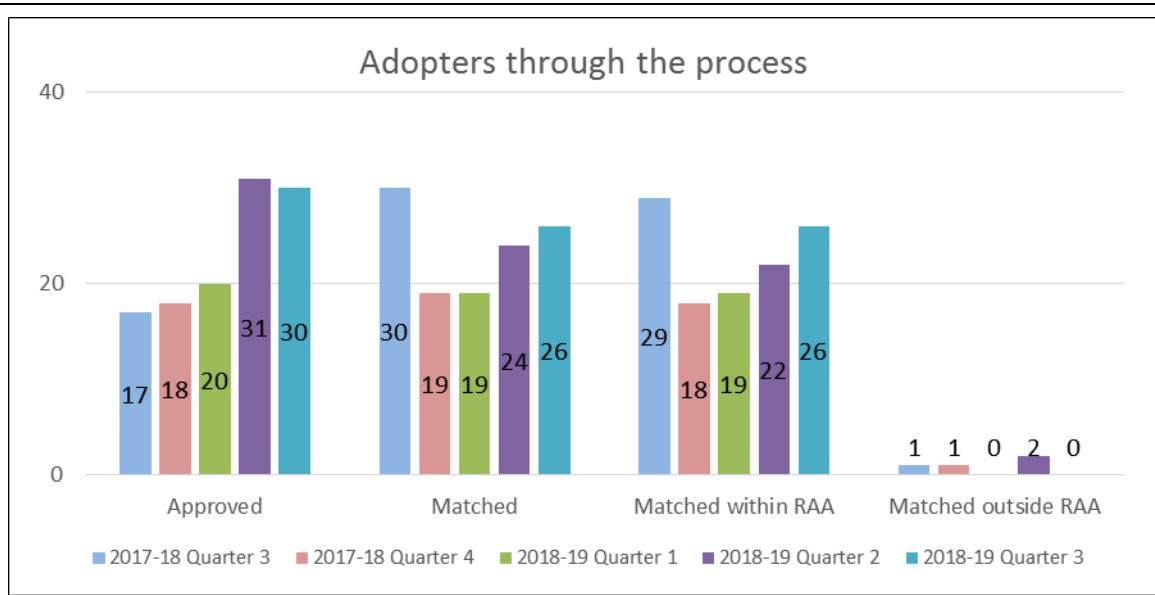
This graph shows the percentage of children leaving care who were adopted in the last 5 quarters, thus showing figures for the same quarter in the previous year

Adopters

This section of the report provides headline figures relating to prospective and approved adopters at various stages of the adoption process in One Adoption. Appendix one contains figures for the last 5 quarter to give comparison between same quarter in the previous year. Figures in bold are for current quarter, those in brackets are for the same quarter in the previous year.

<p>How much did we do?</p> <p><i>During the quarter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 103 (81) prospective adoptive households attended information sessions• 34 (36) Families started Stage 1• 25 (20) prospective adoptive families attended preparation training• 26 (25) Families started Stage 2• 30 (17) prospective adoptive families were approved, of these, 4 (2) families were Foster Carer Adopters• 26 (30) prospective adoptive families were matched, of these, 0 (1) families were matched with children outside the RAA and 26 (29) were matched with children from within the RAA• 24 (27) prospective adoptive families had a child(ren) placed, of these, 0 (1) families had children placed from outside RAA and 24 (26) had children placed from within the RAA• 15 (25) adoptive families adopted a child/young person• 4 (9) Families withdrew from the process	<p>How well did we do it?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Of those prospective adoptive families who ended Stage 1 in the quarter, they were in Stage 1 for an average of 3 months<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 42% were within timescales (Lowest was 0 month, highest was 8 months)○ Those still in Stage 1 at the end of the quarter have been in Stage 1 for an average of 2 months○ 70% are within timescales• Of those prospective adoptive families who ended Stage 2 in the quarter, they were in Stage 2 for an average of 4 months<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 86% were within timescales (Lowest was 2 months, highest was 11 months)○ Those still in Stage 2 at the end of the quarter have been in Stage 2 for an average of 2 months○ 88% are within timescales <p>Of those approved 7 months was the average time between registration of interest and approval.</p> <p>16 (8) adoptive families were matched within three months of their approval; 10 (22) were matched after three months of their approval</p> <p>The average time taken from approval to matching was 4 (7) months</p>
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<p>How much did we do?</p> <p><i>At the end of the quarter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Of the 76 (67) individual approved adopters, 39 (32) are female and 37 (35) are male. 20, 26% (11,16%) are from a BME background • 79 (70) prospective adoptive families are not yet approved • 44 (43) prospective adoptive families are in stage one; 35 (27) are in stage two • 41 (37) approved adoptive families are yet to be matched <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3 (5) of these families have been waiting more than six months ○ 7 (10) of these families have a matching panel booked ○ 4 (2) of these families have a match identified but no panel date booked <p>15 (7) prospective adoptive families are on hold</p>	<p>How well did we do it?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are an increased number of adopters not yet approved with more adopters moving through to stage 2. • The number of families waiting more than 6 months has declined
<p>What would we like to do better?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We would prefer adopters not to be on hold. However, we are confident these families will continue with stage 2 in due course. 	<p>What difference did we make</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26 % of families in the process are from a BME background providing a more diverse range of adopters for children waiting.

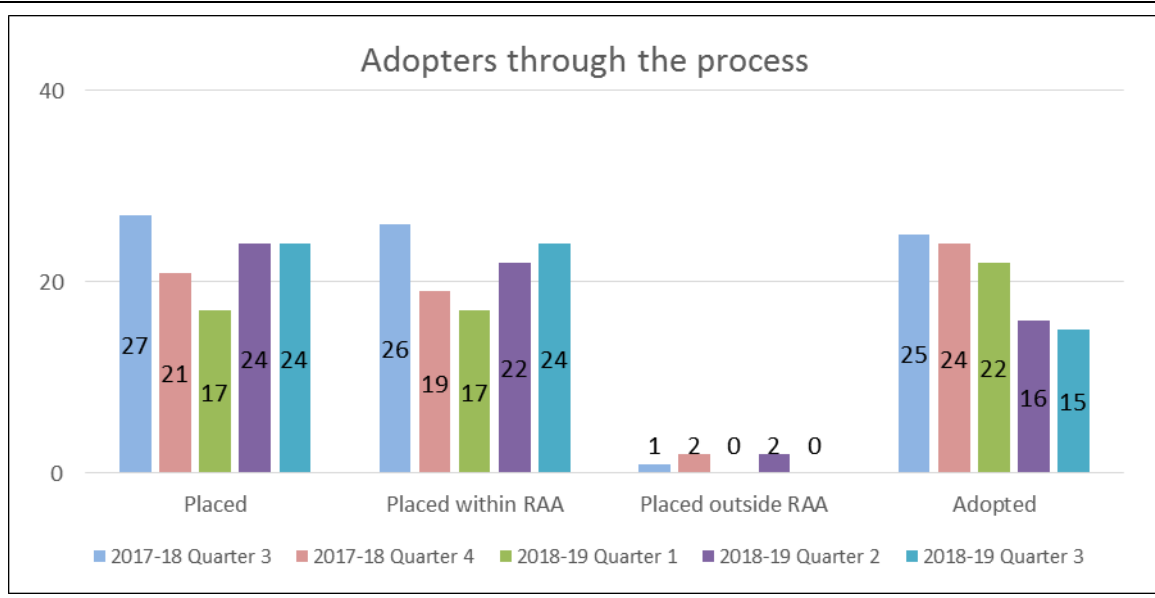


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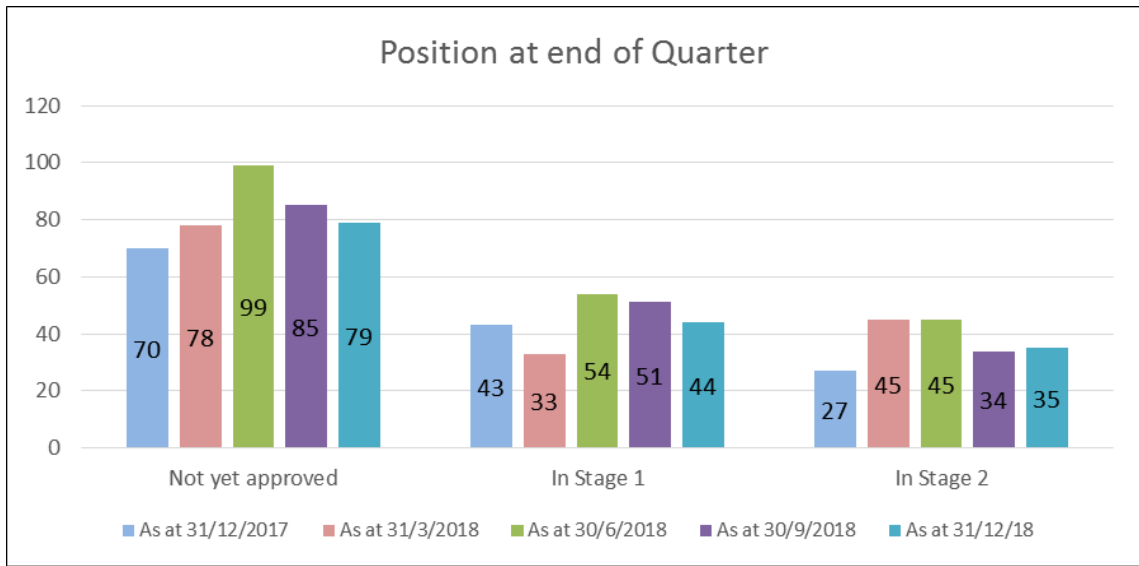
This provides a comparison of the same quarter in the previous year.

The numbers of approved adopters has increased over the last two quarters which is encouraging



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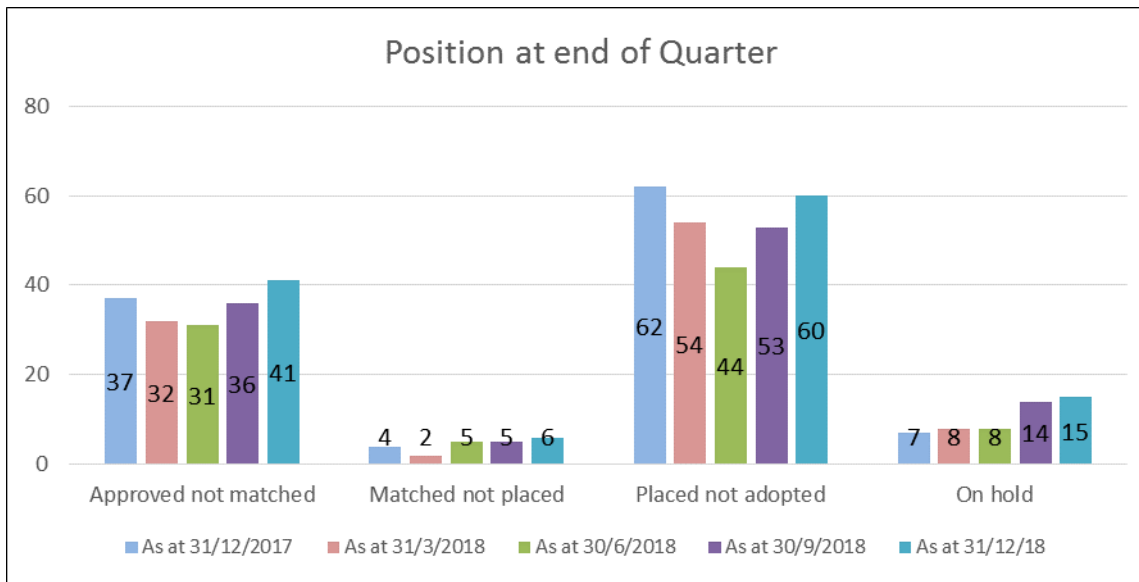
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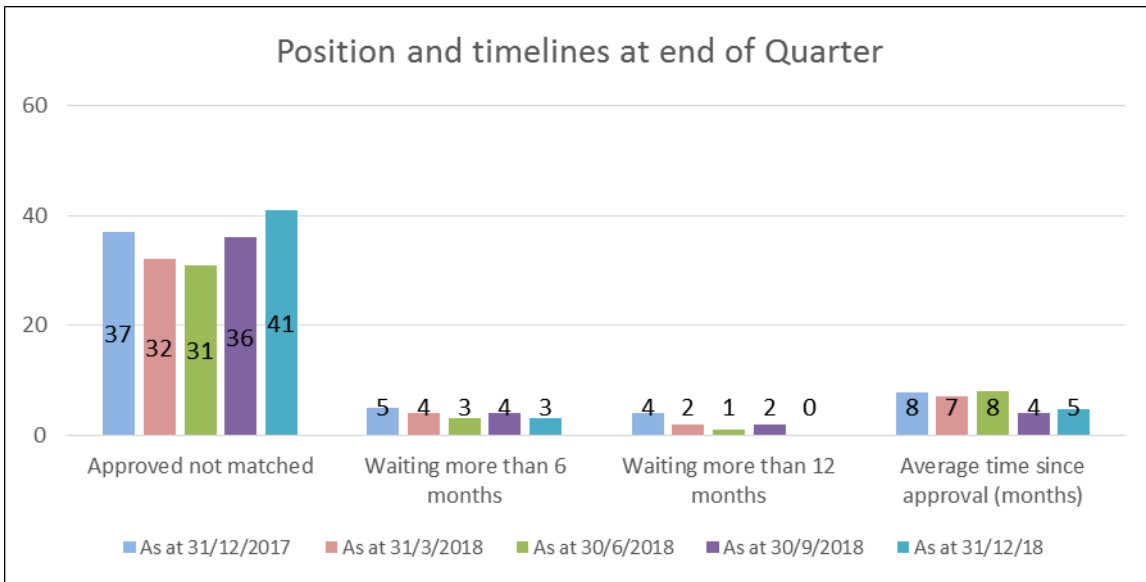
There is a slight decrease of adopters in the approval process as a number of adopters have been approved this quarter. We need to increase the numbers coming into stage 1.



Commentary

This graph shows the number of adopters at various stages in the process at the end of each quarter. It shows the last 5 quarters so we can compare the same quarter in the previous year.

The number of adopters on hold have increased this quarter, due to adopter led decisions. These may be related to a house move, their own child entering a transition or a change of job for example



Commentary

This graph shows the number of adopters approved and not matched at the end of each quarter and the timeliness. It shows the last 5 quarters so we can compare the same quarter in the previous year.

Snapshot Figures

This section of the report looks at characteristics of prospective adopters who are approved but not yet matched and those characteristics of children still waiting to be matched as at the end of the quarter. **This section is work in progress and requires further development.**

Characteristics of those adopters who are approved and not yet matched

Ethnicity	Number of individuals
African	1
Any other Asian background	2
Indian	3
Pakistani	12
White and Asian	1
White British	56
White Irish	1
TOTAL INDIVIDUALS	76
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS	41

Religion	Number of individuals
Christian	32
Muslim	8
Hindu	2
No information available	11
None	20
Other	3
TOTAL INDIVIDUALS	76
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS	41

Characteristics of children who have a decision but not yet matched (191), of these, 140 have a Placement Order

Ethnicity	Number of children
Any other Mixed background	10
White and Asian	9
Information not yet obtained	6
White British	124
Any other White background	11
Gypsy/Roma	4
White and Black Caribbean	10
Any other ethnic group	14
White and Black African	1
African	2
TOTAL INDIVIDUALS	191

Children who wait longer (more than one characteristic)	Number of children
Part of a Sibling Group	92
With a Disability	3
BME	50
Aged 5 years +	31
TOTAL INDIVIDUALS	176

42 Children have 2 of above characteristics

6 Children have 3 of above characteristics

Of those above

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Certain characteristics specified	Number of Households
Potential Match	11
Not specified any age group	38
Specified 0-4 years (incl 0-2 years)	32
Specified 0-2 years	26
Sibling groups	6
Specific Gender	8
Open to EPP	12

Adoption Support

This section is work in progress and requires further development.

Non Agency Adoption

This section is work in progress and requires further development

Appendix one

This appendix contains a range of measures related to prospective adopters progressing through the approval and adoption process.

Table A9: individuals and families progressing through the approval and adoption processes

		Enquiries		Progress through the adoption process (Families)					
		Individuals	Families	Start Stage 1	Start Stage 2	Approved	Matched	Placed	Adopted
2017-18	Quarter 3	77	41	36	25	17	30	27	25
2017-18	Quarter 4	110	61	27	32	18	19	21	24
2018-19	Quarter 1	0	62	46	27	20	19	17	22
2018-19	Quarter 2	0	55	31	24	31	24	24	16
2018-19	Quarter 3	0	67	34	26	30	26	24	15

Table A10: snapshot numbers of prospective adopters at different stages of the approval process

	Prospective adoptive families				Approved adoptive families waiting		
	Prospective adoptive families not yet approved	In Stage 1	In Stage 2	On hold	Approved adoptive families waiting to be matched	Approved adoptive families waiting to be matched for more than 6 months	Average time since approval (months)
As at 31/12/2017	70	43	27	7	37	5	8
As at 31/3/2018	78	33	45	8	32	4	7
As at 30/6/2018	99	54	45	8	31	3	8
As at 30/9/2018	85	51	34	14	36	4	4
As at 31/12/2018	79	44	35	15	41	3	5