# FOSTERING DATA SETS

2019 TO 2020

## NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS AND PLACES 31.03.20

Collection year	Number of households	Number of places
2018	137	251
2019	124	236
2020	141	267

141 carers is a 3-year high, along with the number of places available to children/young people.

# NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS BY PRIMARY CARE TYPE

Collection year	Primary care type offer	Households number
2018	Long-Term	37
2018	Short-Term	81
2018	Connected Persons	16
2018	Fostering to Adopt	3
2019	Long-Term	31
2019	Short-Term	76
2019	Connected Persons	17
2020	Long-Term	21
2020	Short-Term	74
2020	Connected Persons	27
2020	Foster to Adopt	1
2020	Respite	18

The number of fully approved connected carers continue to increase year-on-year. 52% of all carers provide short-term placements.

### NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS APPROVED IN THE YEAR

Collection year	Primary care type offer	Households number
2018	Long-Term	4
2018	Short-Term	10
2018	Connected Persons	16
2018	Fostering to Adopt	1
2019	Long-Term	1
2019	Short-Term	5
2019	Connected Persons	5
2020	Long-Term	1
2020	Short-Term	17
2020	Connected Person's	19
2020	Foster to Adopt	2
2020	Respite	2

2020 resulted in our best ever recruitment year with 41 newly approved carers. Broken down as 22 Mainstream and 19 Connected Persons carers. This is a vast improvement from 2018/19 when it was 6 Mainstream and 6 Connected Persons carers.

### PLACEMENT USE AS OF 31.03.2020

Number of Children	Number of vacant places	Number of not available places	Number of places used for SB care
163	15	54	35

Not available reason	Number of not available places
Carer(s) taking a break/pending resignation	19 (11 Households)
Needs of child currently in placement (not otherwise stated)	26 (20 Households)
Only available if sibling group placed	6 (5 Households)
Used by CYP Staying Put after turning 18	3 (2 Households)
Total	54 (38 Households)

# 2020/21 PREDICTIONS/DEVELOPMENTS

- 11 form F assessments underway (Panel dates: July (2) August (2) Sept (1) October (2) Nov (2) And Dec (1)
- 11 new fostering households with 12 new ST/LT placements and 3 Respite placements (Assessment dependent)
- Regulation 24 Assessments 10 carers and 17 children to place or to be placed
- Temporary approval 66 Carers with 89 Children placed
- Planned Form C Assessments 14 Carers with 22 Children placed
- Targeted recruitment: Young people 11-16 years; Emergency placements; Sibling groups and mother and child placements.
- Recruitment Campaign, to include:
- A brand identity for fostering for Middlesbrough which will be incorporated within the wider Middlesbrough children matter brand family
- A brochure and supporting inserts with case studies of local children and foster carer's
- A bespoke website which incorporates video and an online quiz
- A suite of case studies and accompanying films
- A collection of poster and flyer designs

# QUESTIONS