



One Adoption West Yorkshire quarterly performance report

April to June 2017

Introduction/summary

This is the first quarterly report, providing an update on One Adoption West Yorkshire as a new service wanting to improve the lives of children and families across the region.

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).

The first two quarterly reports will likely be light on detail and trend analysis as data is not available for an extended period. Future iterations will include trend data as a picture emerges of the impact that the agency is having for children, young people and prospective adopters and adoptive families across West Yorkshire.

In summary children going through the adoption process are down on the average figures per quarter based on 2016/17 numbers

Key information at the beginning of Quarter 1

At the beginning of this quarter there were:

98 children with a Placement Order but not placed, 27 of these children had been waiting more than 18 months

54 children with a decision for adoption made by the Agency Decision Maker (ADM decision) but no placement order.

72 prospective adoptive families awaiting approval

44 in Stage 1

25 in Stage

3 on Hold

62 prospective adoptive families were approved but not matched of which 25 families had been waiting more than 6 months

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.

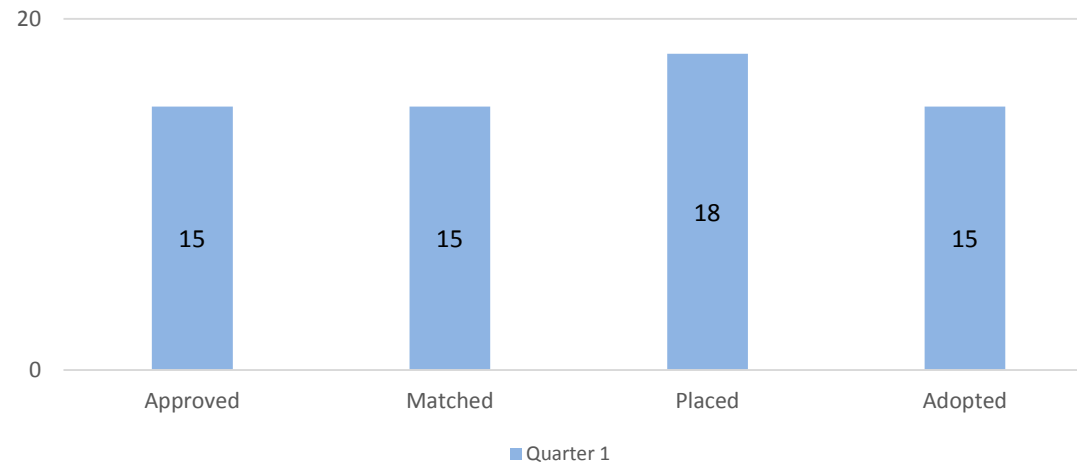
<p>How much did we do?</p> <p><i>During the quarter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 303 children left care, 42 were adopted <i>During 2016/17 177 children were adopted, average 45 per quarter</i> 46 children had an ADM decision made and 122 had no decision <i>During 2016/17 211 children had ADM decision made, average 52 per quarter</i> 32 placement orders were granted <i>During 2016/17 200 placement orders were granted, average 50 per quarter</i> 37 children were matched to an adoptive family (18 inter agency placements) <i>During 2016/17 210 children were matched, average 52 per quarter</i> 34 children were placed with an adoptive family <i>During 2016/17 204 children were placed, average 51 per quarter</i> 3 children in new EPP <i>During 2016/17 7 children were in new EPP, average 2 per quarter</i> <p><i>At the end of the quarter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 122 children being tracked/allocated to family finder prior to ADM (this is indicative data is taken from the One adoption tracker - work in progress) 132 children have an ADM decision but not yet matched. 149 children have an ADM decision but are not yet placed. 97 children have a placement order but are not yet placed. Of these, 37 have been waiting for at least 18 months since entering care 62 children with an ADM decision have a potential match identified. 	<p>How well did we do it?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14% of children leaving care were adopted, (England average is 16%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Numbers of children going through the adoption process during this quarter are down on the average figures per quarter based on 2015/17 numbers <p>For children who were adopted during quarter one 2017/18, it took an average of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 439 days between a child entering care and moving in with their adoptive family (National Indicator is 426 days) (England Average is 593) 182 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 223)
<p>What would we like to do better?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 ADM decisions were reversed There were 2 disruptions 	<p>What difference did we make?</p> <p><i>This section will be used to indicate improvements - eg the average time taken for children from entering care to moving in with their adoptive family reduced this quarter compared to last quarter</i></p>

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 two contains figures for the year-to-date.

<p>How much did we do?</p> <p><i>During the quarter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enquiries were received from 38 families • 58 prospective adopters attended information sessions • 23 prospective adoptive families attended preparation training • 15 prospective adoptive families were approved • 15 prospective adoptive families were matched • 15 adoptive families adopted a child/young person <p><i>At the end of the quarter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Of the 113 individual approved adopters, 60 are female and 53 are male. 18 (16 per cent) are from a BME background • 46 prospective adoptive families are not yet approved • 30 prospective adoptive families are in stage one; 16 are in stage two • 9 prospective adoptive families are on hold 	<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 2 months <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Those still in Stage 1 at the end of the quarter have been in Stage 1 for an average of 4 months • 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"> ○ Those still in Stage 2 at the end of the quarter have been in Stage 2 for an average of 3 months • 7 adoptive families matched within three months of their approval; 8 were matched after three months of their approval • The average time taken from approval to matching is 9 months
<p>What would we like to do better?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 61 approved adoptive families are yet to be matched. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 22 of these families have been waiting more than six months ○ 22 of these families have a matching panel booked ○ 4 of these families have a match identified but no panel date booked • We need to achieve a higher number of enquiries 	<p>What difference did we make?</p> <p><i>This section will be used to indicate improvements - eg waiting time for adoptive families to be matched was lower this quarter than last quarter</i></p>

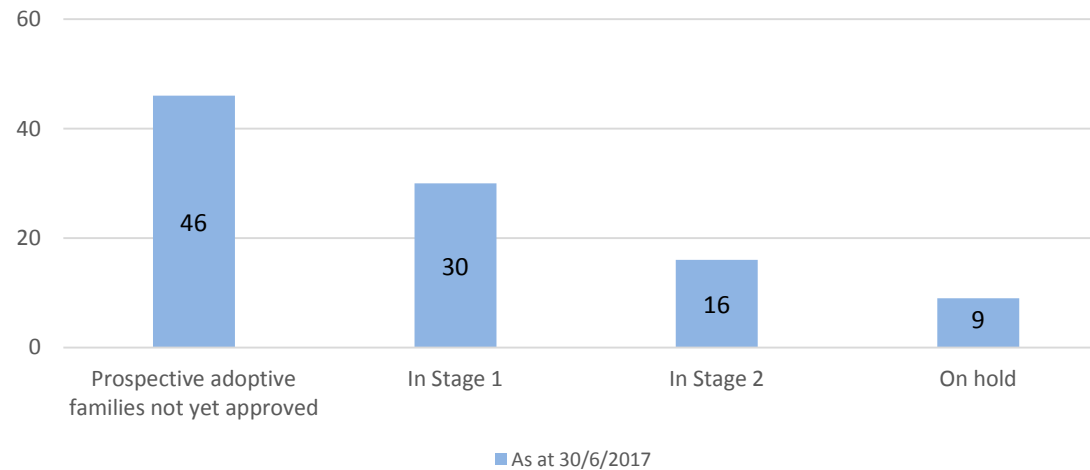
Adopters through the process



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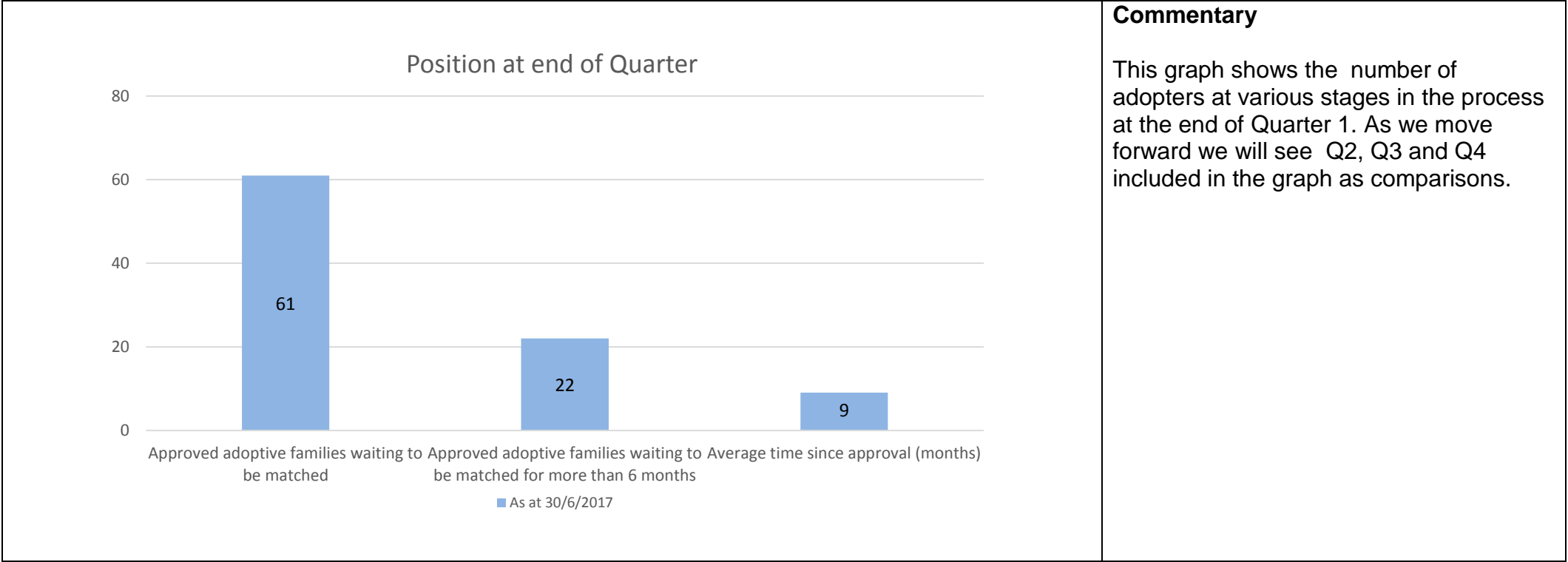
This graph shows numbers of adopters going through the process in Quarter 1. As we move forward we will see Q2, Q3 and Q4 included in the graph as comparisons.

Position at end of Quarter



Commentary

This graph shows the number of adopters at various stages in the process at the end of Quarter 1. As we move forward we will see Q2, Q3 and Q4 included in the graph as comparisons.



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.**

Adopters

X prospective adoptive families approved not matched

CHARACTERISTICS

Children

X With a decision not yet **matched**

CHARACTERISTICS

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 1

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

Table A6: individuals and families progressing through the approval and adoption processes

	Enquiries		Progress through the adoption process (families)				
	Individuals	Families	Applications	Approved	Matched	Placed	Adopted
Quarter one	69	38	12	15	15	18	15
Quarter two							
Quarter three							
Quarter four							
Year-to-date	69	38	12	15	15	18	15

Table A7: snapshot numbers of prospective adopters at different stages of the approval process

	Prospective adoptive families:				Approved adoptive families waiting:		
	Not yet approved	In stage one	In stage two	On hold	To be matched	To be matched for more than six months	Average time since approval (months)
Quarter one	46	30	16	9	61	22	9
Quarter two							
Quarter three							
Quarter four							
Year-to-date	46	30	16	9	61	22	9

Table A8: characteristics of approved adopters (individuals)

	Female	Male	BME
At 30 June 2017	60	53	18
At 30 September 2017			
At 31 December 2017			
At 31 March 2018			
Year-to-date	60	53	18

