

Complaints Monitoring Report
Children and Families & Criminal Justice Social Work

Quarter 1 2023/24 – 1 April – 30 June 2023

Total Complaints Received and Total Complaints Closed					
NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS	Q1 2022/23	Q2 2022/23	Q3 2022/23	Q4 2022/23	Q1 2023/24
Total number of complaints received	8	7	6	13	10
Total number of complaints closed	8	2	5	10	9
The numbers of received and closed complaints may differ because some closed complaints have been received in the previous quarters or some received complaints have not been closed within the reporting quarter.					

Complaints closed at Frontline and Investigative Stages as a percentage of all complaints closed										
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE CLOSED	Q1 2022/23		Q2 2022/23		Q3 2022/23		Q4 2022/23		Q1 2023/24	
	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%
Number of complaints closed - Frontline	6	45	0	0%	4	80%	8	80%	6	67%
Number of complaints closed - Investigative	2	25	2	100%	1	20%	1	10%	3	33%
Number of complaints closed - Escalated	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	10%	0	0%

Number of Frontline Complaints upheld / partially upheld / not upheld as a percentage of complaints closed in full at each stage										
FRONTLINE	Q1 2022/23		Q2 2022/23		Q3 2022/23		Q4 2022/23		Q1 2023/24	
	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%
Number of Frontline complaints upheld	0	0%	N/A	N/A	0	0%	0	0%	2	33%
Number of Frontline complaints partially upheld	4	67%	N/A	N/A	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Number of Frontline complaints not upheld	2	33%	N/A	N/A	4	100%	0	0%	2	33%
Number of Frontline complaints (Resolution)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	8	100%	2	33%

Number of Investigative Complaints upheld / partially upheld / not upheld as a percentage of complaints closed in full at each stage										
INVESTIGATIVE	Q1 2022/23		Q2 2022/23		Q3 2022/23		Q4 2022/23		Q1 2023/24	
	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%
Number of Investigative complaints upheld	1	50%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	33%
Number of Investigative complaints partially upheld	1	50%	2	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Number of Investigative complaints not upheld	0	0%	0	0%	1	100%	1	100%	2	67%
Number of Investigative complaints (Resolution)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

Number of Escalated Complaints upheld / partially upheld / not upheld as a percentage of complaints closed in full at each stage										
ESCALATED	Q1 2022/23		Q2 2022/23		Q3 2022/23		Q4 2022/23		Q1 2023/24	
	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%
Number of Escalated complaints upheld	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	100%	N/A	N/A
Number of Escalated complaints partially upheld	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0%	N/A	N/A
Number of Escalated complaints not upheld	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0%	N/A	N/A
Number of Escalated complaints (Resolution)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0%	N/A	N/A

The average time in working days for a full response to complaints at each stage					
RESPONSE TIME	Q1 2022/23	Q2 2022/23	Q3 2022/23	Q4 2022/23	Q1 2023/24
Average time in working days for a full response - Frontline	9	N/A	12	3	3
Average time in working days for a full response - Investigative	47	14	22	26	19
Average time in working days for a full response - Escalated	N/A	N/A	N/A	9	N/A

Number and percentage of complaints at each stage which were closed in full within the set timescales of 5 and 20 working days										
MEETING TARGET TIMESCALES	Q1 2022/23		Q2 2022/23		Q3 2022/23		Q4 2022/23		Q1 2023/24	
	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%
Number of complaints closed within 5 working days - Frontline	2	33%	N/A	N/A	0	0%	6	75%	5	83%
Number of complaints closed within 20 working days - Investigative	0	0%	2	100%	0	0%	0	0%	3	100%
Number of complaints closed within 20 working days - Escalated	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	100%	N/A	N/A

Number and percentage of complaints at each stage where an extension to the 5 or 20 working day timeline has been authorised										
EXTENSIONS	Q1 2022/23		Q2 2022/23		Q3 2022/23		Q4 2022/23		Q1 2023/24	
	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%
Number of complaints with an extension – Frontline	0	0%	N/A	N/A	0	0%	2	25%	0	0%
Number of complaints with an extension – Investigative or Escalated Investigative	1	50%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

UPHELD OR PARTIALLY UPHELD COMPLAINTS				
ID	Type of Complaint	Outcome	Responsible Officer	Action taken
101003308353	Other	Upheld	Louise Milne	Complainant raised concerns regarding premature foster care placement for children after concerns made regarding children left alone at home. ACTION TAKEN: Social Workers to think carefully about the language used and statements made as they leave an impact.
101003320866	Complaint Against Staff	Upheld	Jean Massie	Complainant raised concerns regarding LAC Meetings being cancelled without notification. Complainant believed that behaviour

				of worker was unacceptable. ACTION TAKEN: Accepted that apology should've been provided regarding the breakdown of communication, even if relates to another agency responsible.
101003317646	Process/Procedure	Upheld	Lillian Petrie	Complaint made regarding lack of initial contact with complainant, non-provision of meeting notes and no follow-up contact with social worker. ACTION TAKEN: Apology issued. A review of the processes to be undertaken to ensure that improvements are being made re timescales and information provision.