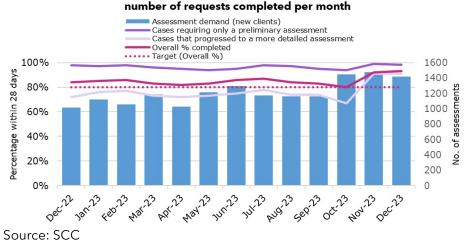
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% of Care Act assessments of new clients completed in 28 days and



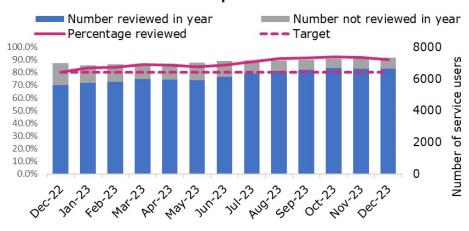
Performance remained above target in Quarter 3. Where assessments are not completed in 28 days, this is usually because they are more complex. The council tracks these individually to ensure that progress is being made to determine appropriate care and support arrangements, and that any risks are being mitigated.

The number of safeguarding contacts has reduced since Quarter 2. Additional temporary resource has been allocated to the service and pathways are being reviewed to identify any further improvements that can be made.

% of safeguarding referrals closed or assigned within 5 working days



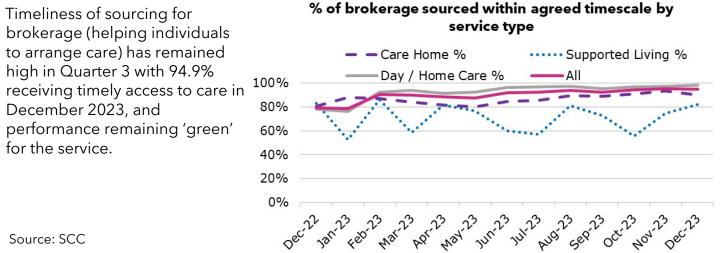
Overall % and number of people who have been receiving services for 12 months or over, who have had a review in the previous 12 months



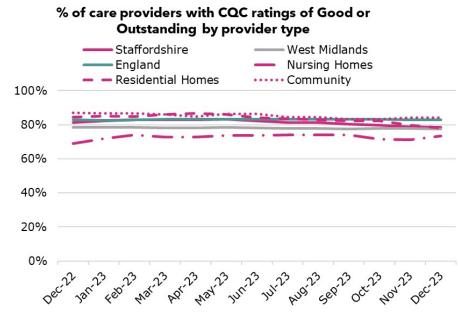
Performance has remained above target in Quarter 3. Where people have not been reviewed within 12 months this may be because they were unavailable (for example in hospital) or because of insufficient capacity, which is being addressed. However if overall demand increases, resource may need to be diverted to higher priority work.

Source: SCC

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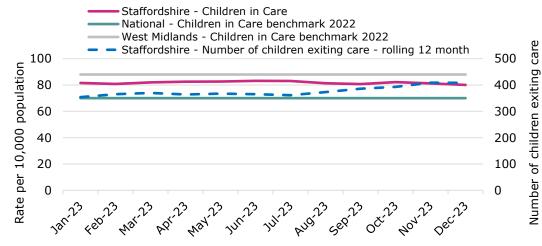


There has been a slight decrease in Quarter 3 of Care Quality Commission Good or Outstanding assessment ratings of Staffordshire's registered locations, with 78.4% Good or Outstanding in December 2023, which is lower than national (82.8%) but remains above the regional average (77.6%).

Source: SCC and Care Quality Commission

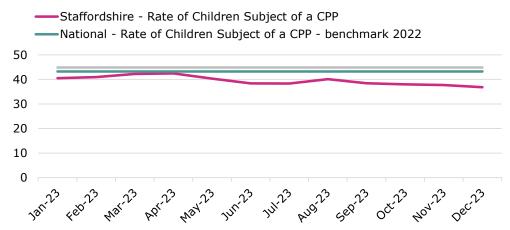
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Rate of children in care (rate per 10,000 population) and number of children exiting care



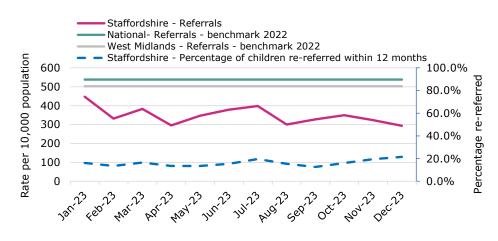
As at the 31st December 2023, there were 1,353 children and young people in the authority's care; a slight decrease compared to the previous quarter (1,364). To help address demand those past exit dates are regularly reviewed to understand any barriers to exiting care and agree any action that might be required.

Rate of children subject of a Child Protection Plan (per 10,000 population)



The number of children subject of a Child Protection Plan at the 31st December 2023 was 622, down from a peak of 716 in April and the more recent low of 649 in June.

Rate of children referred, rolling 12 month average (per 10,000 population), and % re-referred within 12 months

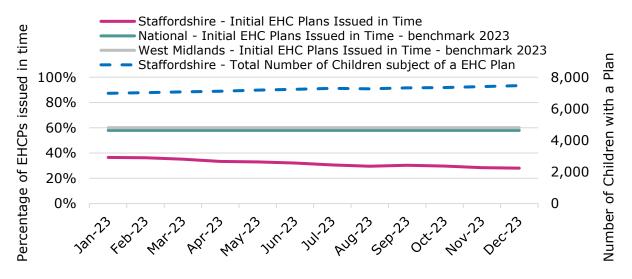


Referrals continue to remain below both national and regional benchmarks. In Staffordshire, 21.5% of children have been rereferred within 12 months as of December 2023 (compared to latest national benchmark of 21.5% in 2022).

Source for page: SCC and Local Authority Interactive Tool (LAIT)

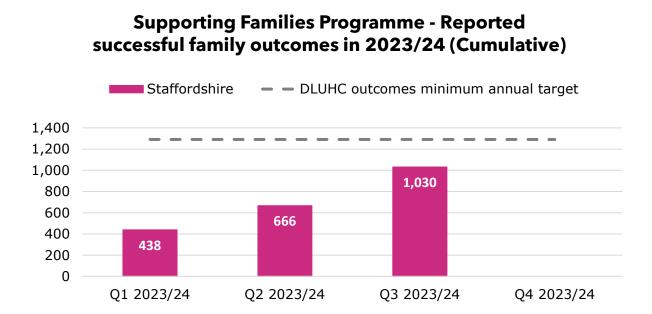
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% of Education, Health and Care Plans issued in time (12 month rolling avg), and total number of children with a plan



Source: SCC and Local Authority Interactive Tool (LAIT)

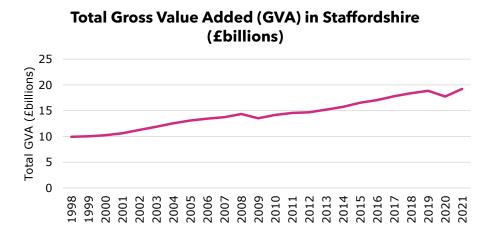
The number of children and young people with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) was 7,467 at 31st December 2023 compared to 6,985 a year earlier. This increasing demand means that the number of EHCP's issued in time (within 20 weeks) remains low in Staffordshire; 28% compared to the most recent national benchmark of 58% (2023). Recruitment has been taking place to assist in improving timeliness of EHCP's and support early intervention.



At the end of Quarter 3, 80% of the Department for Levelling up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC's) annual target had been achieved.

Source: SCC and DLUHC

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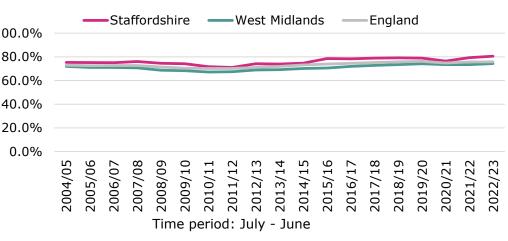


In 2021 (latest data) the Staffordshire economy was worth £19.2bn showing an increase of over £1.5bn between 2020-2021, equivalent to a 8.3% growth and greater than the growth seen for the West Midlands (6.9%) and England (7.1%).

Source: Office for National Statistics

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Latest employment figures for the period July 2022-June 2023 show that in Staffordshire there were an estimated 422,900 working age (aged 16-64) residents employed, with an employment rate of 80.6% well above the national and regional averages

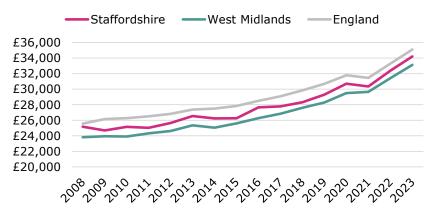


Source: ONS National Population Survey

Employment Rate (aged 16-64)

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Average (median) annual resident earnings

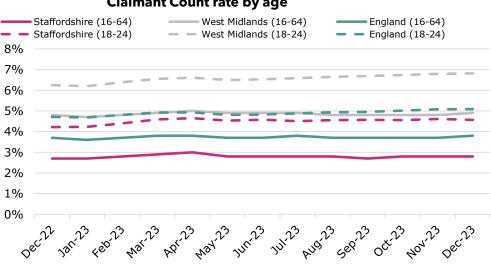


In 2023 average annual resident earnings for full-time workers in Staffordshire stood at £34,204 which was just below the England average of £33,208. Between 2019-23 Staffordshire saw faster improvement in resident earnings compared to national, with 16.8% growth compared to 14.4% for England.

Source: ONS Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings-resident analysis

As of December 2023, there were 15,165 claimants in Staffordshire; an increase of 210 claimants compared with the figures reported in Quarter 2 (14,955). Staffordshire Moorlands records the lowest rate (2.1%), and Tamworth records the highest at 3.5%, which is still just below the national position (3.8%).

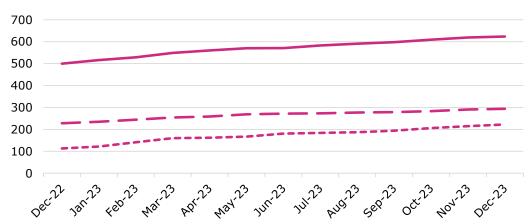




Source: Office for National Statistics

Number of start-up businesses supported by the council (cumulative)

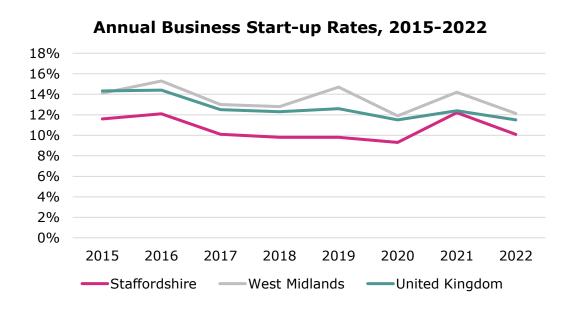
- Number of business attending start-up programme
- Number of businesses started trading
- --- Total number of businesses approved for the Get Started and Grow Scheme

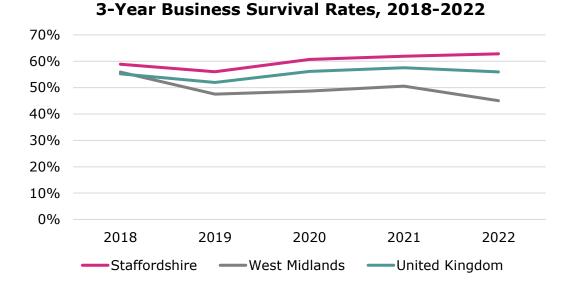


The top sector for businesses attending the start-up programme is 'Professional Services' (digital, financial, marketing, training, science and tech). The 'Get Started' scheme expanded in Quarter 3, 2022/23 to include 'Step up' support for businesses aged 2-5 years.

Source: SCC

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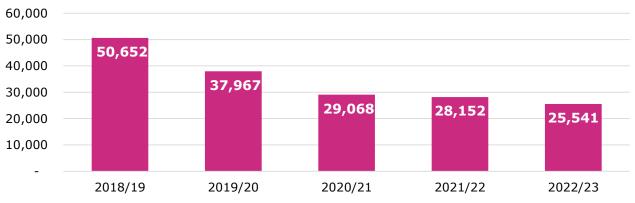


Despite a dip in 2022 in Staffordshire's annual business start-up rate (which was also seen regionally and nationally), Staffordshire's 3-year business survival rate continues to increase and outperforms national and regional rates.

Source: Inter-Departmental Business Register (IDBR), Office for National Statistics

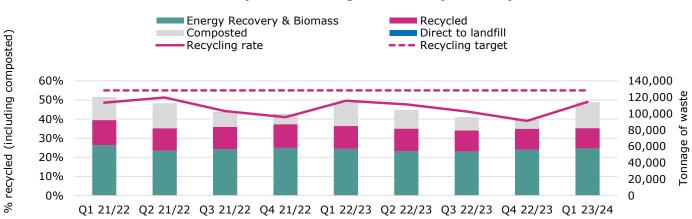
Climate Change, Environment & Sustainability Dashboard

Staffordshire County Council's carbon emissions - Tonnes of carbon (tCO₂e)



There has been a 12% reduction in the authority's carbon emissions since 2020/21, and a 50% reduction since 2018/19.

Source: SCC



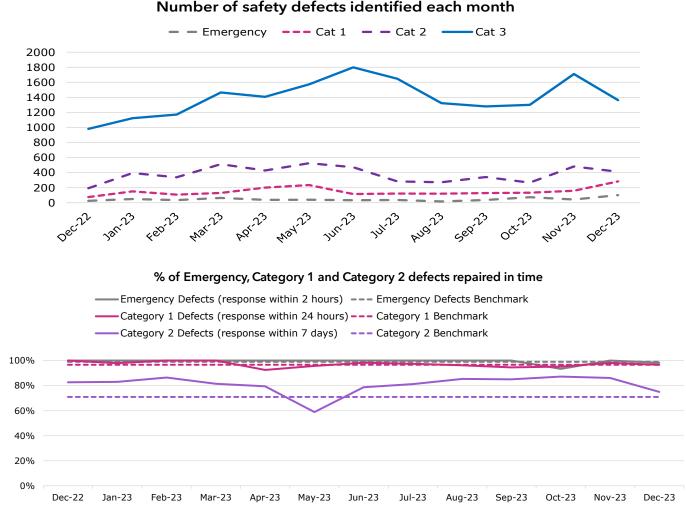
% of waste recycled and tonnage of waste disposed of by method

Source: SCC

The recycling rate increased again in Quarter 1 following the usual reduction during the winter, partly due to less composted waste in the winter months. Staffordshire continues to send minimal waste directly to landfill.

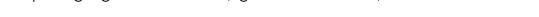
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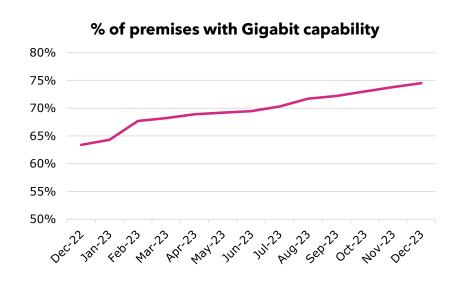
Roads, Transport and Digital Connections Dashboard



Source: Amey, Confirm

There were demand challenges in relation to the volume of high risk 'Emergency', 'Category 1' and 'Category 2' highways defects identified in Quarter 3, particularly in December which was mostly due to the adverse weather. Positively, despite the increase in demand, the timeliness of repairing higher risk defects (against benchmarks) has been maintained.



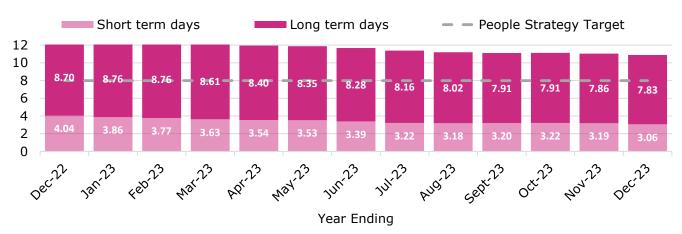


The percentage of premises with Gigabit capability continues to increase, with a target of 85% by the end of 2025 and close to 100% by 2030. It is not appropriate to benchmark against other areas due to differing approaches in rolling this out.

Source: Thinkbroadband.com

How we Work Dashboard

Average payroll days lost per employee



Source: SCC

There is a continued focus on staff absence levels to help teams improve their days lost to sickness, including working with those service areas experiencing the highest absence levels and promoting best practice absence management.

Live Within Our Means Dashboard

Revenue outturn forecast variance compared to the overall budget (target

no more than +/- 2%)

Quarter 1,	Quarter 2,	Quarter 3,
2023/24	2023/24	2023/24
1.39%	1.13%	0.89%
(£9.5m	(£7.7m	(£5.4m
overspend)	overspend)	overspend)

Source: SCC

A forecast 0.89% overspend is acceptable as it is within the council's Financial Health target of 2% variation on revenue budgets.