

Appendix D – 2017/18 Complaints Root Cause Summary & Improvement Actions by Department

CWB Department (ASC Directorate and Culture Services) & CYP Department

Community Wellbeing Department – Adult Social Care Directorate (45 cases)

Root Cause	Actions
 Service – 25 cases; 15 upheld/partly upheld Poor Service – 13 Service not up to standard - 5 Service not provided – 3 Wrong Service Provided – 2 3rd party contractor issues – 2 	 Adult Social Care In 2017/18, Adult Social Care directorate received over 3,600 contacts, made over 3,600 assessments for homecare, residential or nursing services, and also carried out over 2,100 hospital discharge assessments. Service improvements included the introduction of appeals process. The feedback/learning from complaints is discussed with individual staff members, at team meetings and management meetings to help improve service delivery.
 Customer Care- 11 cases; 5 upheld/partly upheld Incorrect action taken - 6 Rudeness - 2 Contact Issues - 1 Correspondence issues - 1 Poor Attitude - 1 	
Adults Transitions Assessments – 2 cases; 1 partly upheld	
Safeguarding – 3 cases	
Physical disabilities – 2 cases	
Hospital discharge – 1 case; upheld	
Member / General Enquiry – 1 case	



Community Wellbeing Department - Culture Directorate (63 cases)

Root Cause	Actions
Libraries – 52 cases; 23 upheld/partly upheld premises / environment - 15 customer service – 9 other service - 8 computer provision – 6 other customers – 6 events and exhibitions - 4 book loans – 1 membership applications – 1 online access – 1 support for schools - 1 Sports facilities – 11; 7 upheld/partly upheld Staff / Customer service - 4 Bookings / Classes – 1 Courts – 1 Other Service - 1 Pricing / Policies - 1 Health Suite – 1 Pricing / Policies – 1 Swimming Pool - 1	 Culture Service The Culture Services within the Public Health & Culture directorate had over 36,000 active library borrowers and over 1.7m sports centre visits in 2017/18. Service improvements during the year included: ongoing staff training and performance management; regular discussion of complaint issues with individual staff, teams and management teams; Bridge Park facilities issues addressed with the contractors; heating and lighting issues at libraries addressed by the Facilities Management team; staff training/guidance provided regarding customer behaviour or managing noise levels in library spaces.

Children & Young People Department (110 cases)



Root Cause	Actions
 Social Workers – 18 cases; 8 upheld/partly upheld Service Failure - 12 Communication – 6 Assessments – 10 cases; 2 partly upheld Service not provided/not up to standard – 9 Communication – 1 Leaving Care – 10 cases; 7 partly upheld Service Failure – 6 Communication – 3 Policy or Procedure - 1 Corporate Parenting – 8 cases Service not provided/not up to standard –5 Communication – 3 Family Social Work – 8 cases; 4 upheld/partly upheld Service not provided/not up to standard – 7 Communication delays - 1 Customer Care – 7 cases; 1 partly upheld Correspondence issues – 3 Poor attitude/rudeness – 3 Incorrect action - 1 Service not provided – 6 Service not provided – 6 Service not provided – 1 	 CYP CYP received over 5,300 referrals and completed over 5,100 Child & Family assessments in 2017/18. Learning points from complaints are discussed with individual staff and in team meetings and there is ongoing work with managers to improve service delivery.



Root Cause	Actions
Communication/inaccurate/behaviour – 4	
 Service not provided/not up to standard – 2 	
Placements – 5 cases; 3 partly upheld	
Finance/LAC Finance – 5 cases; 2 partly upheld	
 Service not provided/not up to standard – 4 	
LAC Finance - 1	
Less than 5 root cause themes identified in the	
following cases:	
 Care Package – 3; Personal Advisors – 3; Family 	
Support – 2; In Year Admissions – 2; Transfer	
Admissions – 2; Referrals – 2; Member/General	
Enquiry – 2; Child protection – 1; CP Conferences –	
1; Communication – 1; Court Reports – 1; General	
enquiry – 1; Hardship and Subsistence – 1; LAC	
Reviews – 1; Reviews – 1; Quality Assurance – 1;	
Travel Arrangements – 1 case.	