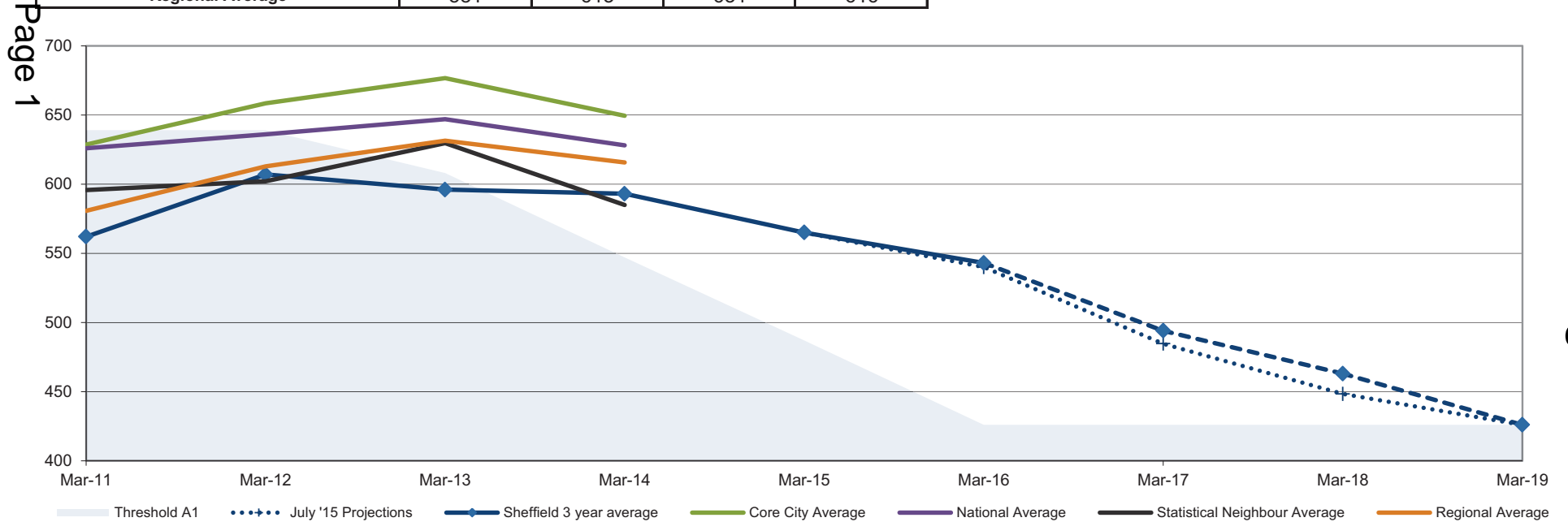## Adoption Scorecard - Outturns and Projections

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Outturns and projections for Adoption Scorecard Indicator A1

A1 - Average time between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family, for children who have been adopted (days)

	Mar-11	Mar-12	Mar-13	Mar-14	Mar-15	Mar-16	Mar-17	Mar-18	Mar-19
			Outturns				Projections		
Sheffield 1 year average	602	619	567	593	535	519	426	426	426
Sheffield 3 year average	562	607	596	593	565	543	494	463	426
Threshold A1	639	639	608	547	487	426	426	426	426

Averages	Mar-11	Mar-12	Mar-13	Mar-14
Sheffield	562	607	596	593
Core City Average	629	659	677	649
National Average	626	636	647	628
Statistical Neighbour Average	596	602	630	585
Regional Average	581	613	631	616

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July 2015 - Methodology for projections:

Adoption scorecard indicators are calculated as three year averages.
We know that the average time for A1 (time between entering care and being placed for adoption) was 593 days in 2013/14 and 535 days in 2014/15.
Based on the adoptions that have already taken place in 2015/16 we estimate our performance for the year to be 493 days.
Assuming there is a similar number of adoption in each year we can predict that the three year average for 2015/16 will be 540 days [(593 + 535 + 493) / 3]
If we achieve national thresholds of 426 days in 2016/17 then our three year averages will be 485 days [(535 + 493 + 426) / 3]
If we achieve national thresholds of 426 days in 2017/18 then our three year averages will be 448 days [(493 + 426 + 426) / 3]
If we achieve national thresholds of 426 days in 2018/19 then our three year averages will be in line with national thresholds at 426 days [(426 + 426 + 426) / 3]

March 2016 - Update:

Performance for 2015/16 is likely to be 519 for the year and 543 as a 3 year average; original projections were 493 for the year and 540 as a three year average. Whilst the one year performance is higher than our projections we have still achieved the 3 year outturn due to an almost 50% increase on the number of adoptions that have taken place in 2015/16. Assuming the number of adoptions returns to approximately 50 per year and we achieve the 426 days threshold going forward then we can expect future performance to be slightly elevated on original projections until reaching the 426 days threshold in March 2019.
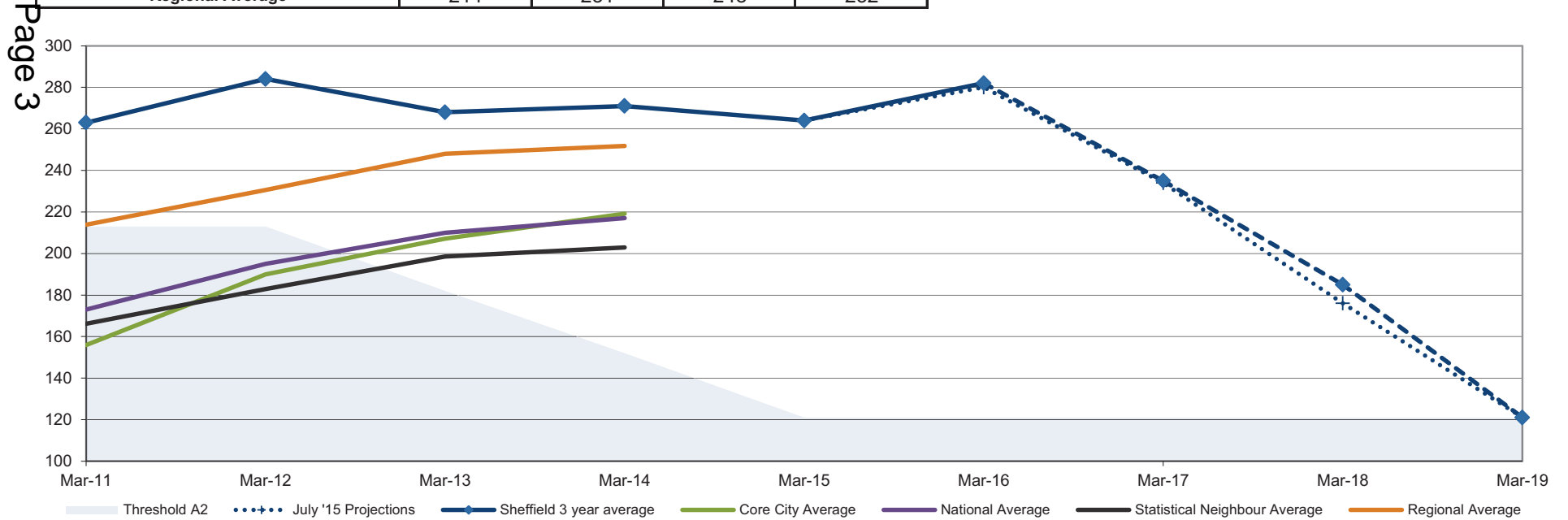
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Outturns and projections for Adoption Scorecard Indicator A2

A2 - Average time between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family (days)

	Mar-11	Mar-12	Mar-13	Mar-14	Mar-15	Mar-16	Mar-17	Mar-18	Mar-19
			Outturns				Projections		
Sheffield 1 year average	252	314	238	261	293	289	121	121	121
Sheffield 3 year average	263	284	268	271	264	282	235	185	121
Threshold A2	213	213	182	152	121	121	121	121	121

Averages		Mar-11	Mar-12	Mar-13	Mar-14
	Sheffield	263	284	268	271
	Core City Average	156	190	207	219
	National Average	173	195	210	217
	Statistical Neighbour Average	166	183	199	203
	Regional Average	214	231	248	252

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Outturns and projections for Adoption Scorecard Indicator A2

A2 - Average time between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family (days)

July 2015 - Methodology for projections:

Adoption scorecard indicators are calculated as three year averages.
We know that the average time for A2 (time between receiving a placement order for a child and finding a match) was 261 days in 2013/14 and 293 days in 2015/16.
Based on the adoptions that have already taken place in 2015/16 we estimate our performance for the year to be 287 days.
Assuming there is a similar number of adoption in each year we can predict that the three year average for 2015/16 will be 280 days [(261 + 293 + 287) / 3]
If we achieve national thresholds of 121 days in 2016/17 then our three year averages will be 234 days [(293 + 287 + 121) / 3]
If we achieve national thresholds of 121 days in 2017/18 then our three year averages will be 176 days [(287 + 121 + 121) / 3]
If we achieve national thresholds of 121 days in 2018/19 then our three year averages will be in line with national thresholds at 121 days [(121 + 121 + 121) / 3]

March 2016 - Update:

Performance for 2015/16 is likely to be 289 for the year and 282 as a 3 year average; original projections were 287 for the year and 280 as a three year average. We have almost achieved the one year and 3 year projections and there has been an almost 50% increase on the number of adoptions that have taken place in 2015/16. Assuming the number of adoptions returns to approximately 50 per year and we achieve the 121 days threshold going forward then we can expect future performance to be slightly elevated on original projections until reaching the 121 days threshold in March 2019.