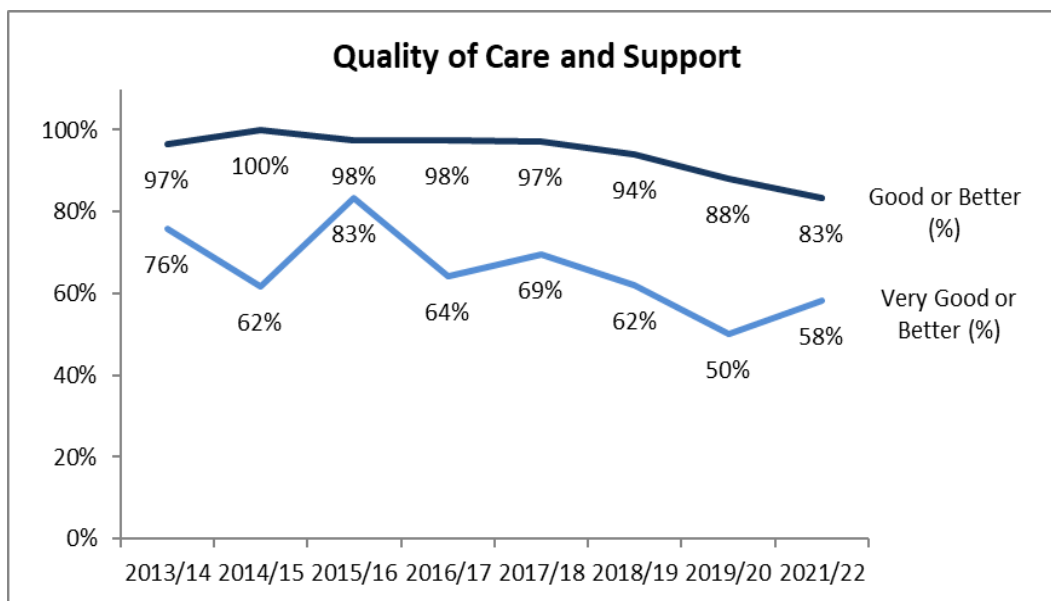


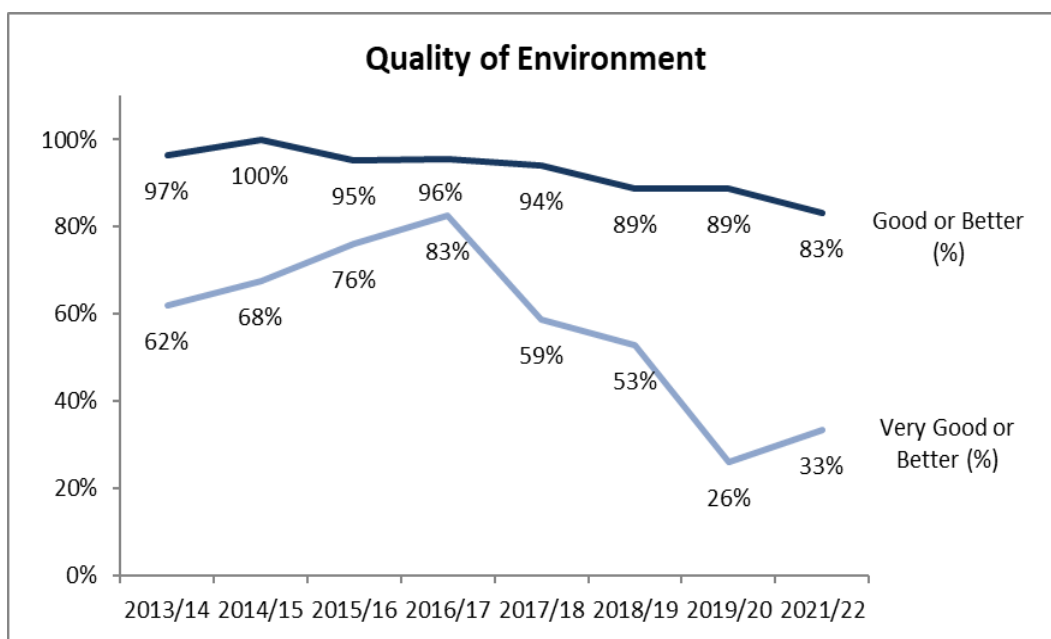
Appendix B: Grading History, services providing day care of children inspected and published by the Care Inspectorate, 2013/14 onwards¹



Commentary: Performance over 6 years has been generally high and steady when looking at both 'Good or better' and Very good or better' ratings.

A recent decrease is linked to higher expectations from Care Inspectorate inspections and introduction of the National Standard for ELC.

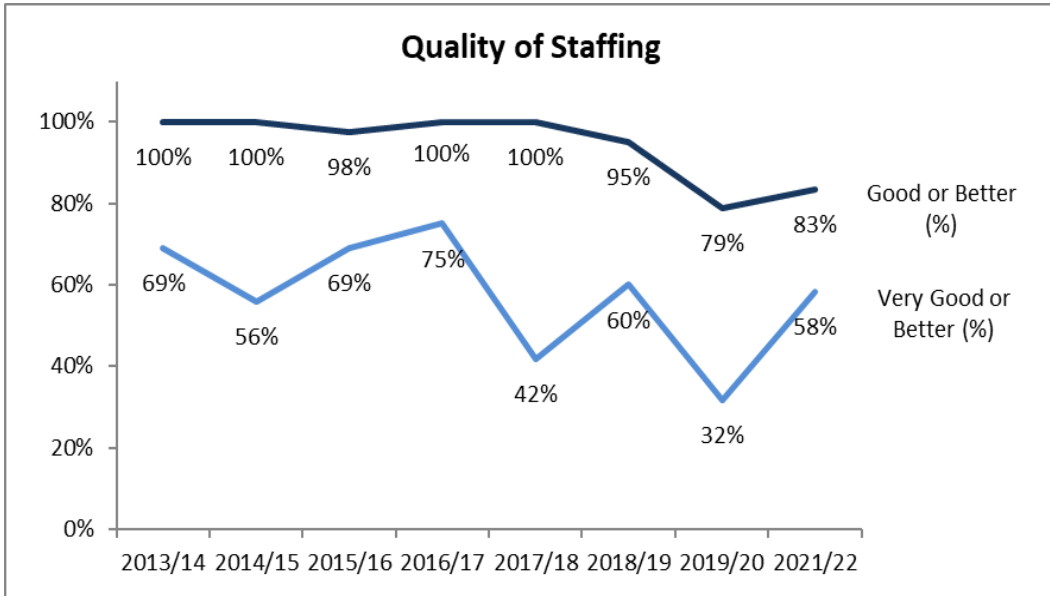
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2021/22
Number of Inspections	29	34	42	42	36	50	36	12



Commentary: Performance over 6 years has been high and steady when looking at 'Good or better' ratings. Performance is linked to higher expectations from Care Inspectorate inspections. This indicator has been recognised in the Service's own quality assurance of establishments, with the intention of improving performance in this area.

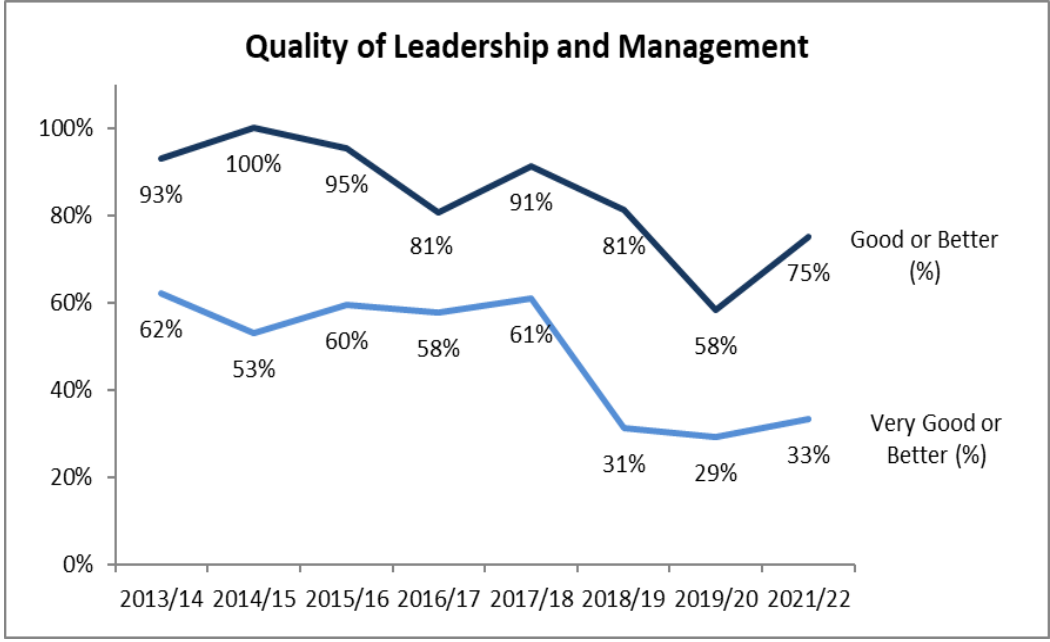
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2021/22
Number of Inspections	29	34	42	23	17	36	22	12

¹ Inspected, published and reported to Lifelong Learning Executive Sub Committee by 21 March 2022. Note the smaller number of inspections reported in 2021/22 (and none in 2020/21)



Commentary:
 Performance over 6 years has been high and steady when looking at 'Good or better' ratings. When tightening to 'Very good or better' the overall trend is similar, and has shown recent improvement. Lower performance is linked to higher expectations from Care Inspectorate inspections. There has also been a marked increase in the ELC workforce introduced at pace during expansion, and this is expected to affect this evaluation in the short term.

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2021/22
Number of Inspections	29	34	42	28	12	20	15	12



Commentary:
 Performance over 6 years has been generally high when looking at Good or better ratings. Turnover of management staff from partner providers to other positions has partly contributed to a reduction from 'Very Good' in 18/19. 'Good' evaluations remain high. The Service has a development programme to upskill existing Early Childhood Practitioners (ECPs) to undertake management posts as well as a new Leadership Programme for those in existing leadership positions.

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2021/22
Number of Inspections	29	34	42	26	23	16	19	12