

Work stream Outcomes:

- Increase data literacy skills across Renfrewshire's establishments.
- Teachers will know who to target to improve equity and raise attainment through using data effectively.
- Data is used systematically to plan for improvement.

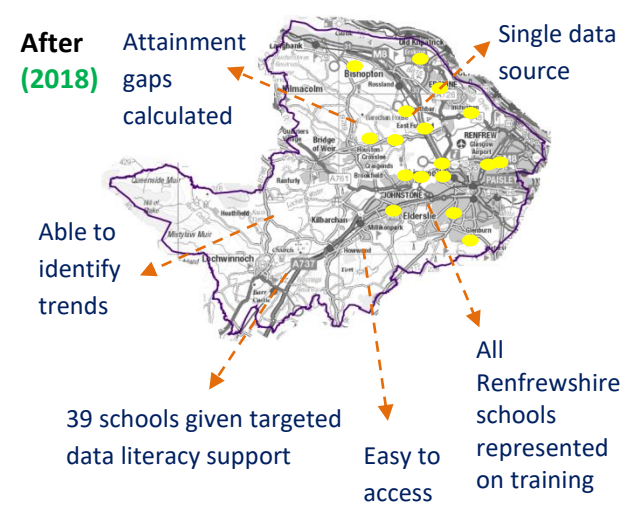
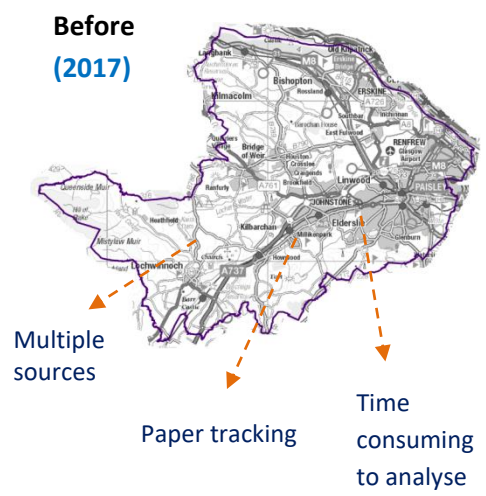
Attainment Challenge

The effective use of data is a core component in ensuring that we close the poverty related attainment gap. As a data literate authority, we can better understand our attainment trends, identify pupils and target support appropriately, and evaluate our interventions. By understanding 'what works' we can continue to improve outcomes and raise attainment for learners in Renfrewshire.

Approach

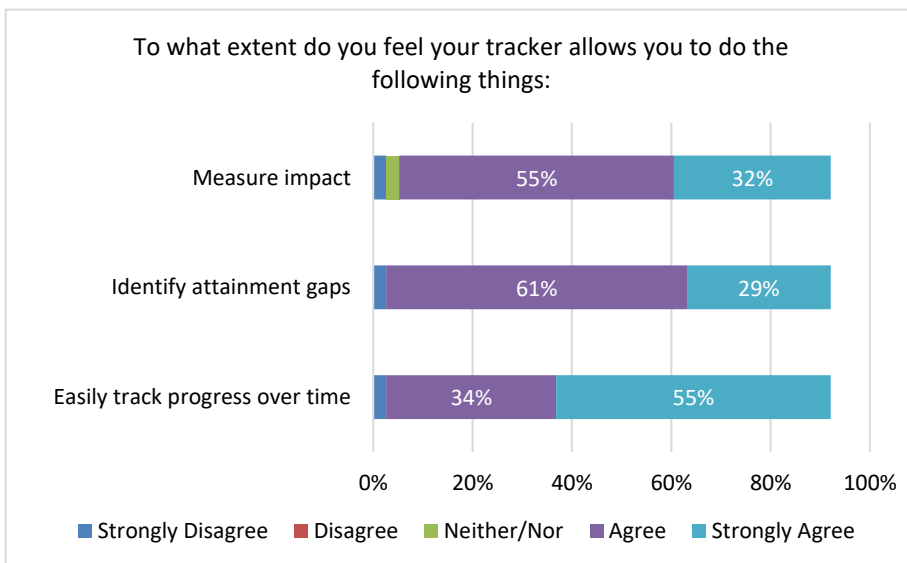
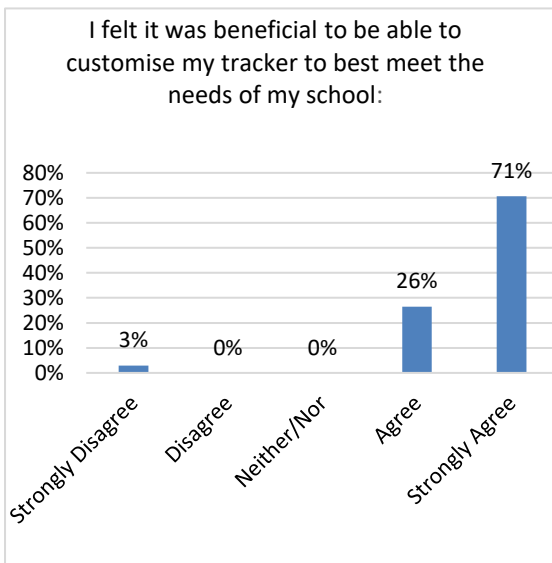
Initially, the central team worked closely with a small number of schools to understand the current challenges with tracking, and to design a system that supports the effective use of data in schools. The tracking system that was created was based around discussions with Head Teachers and key criteria devised by the central team. The key criteria ensured that while schools could have flexibility, all trackers would meet a similar standard. The Management Information Officer then met with each school to discuss their needs and personalise the template tracker. This bespoke approach was adopted as Head Teachers were keen to have flexibility and it was essential that they were confident in using their tracking data to drive improvement.

- ### Strategy
1. Design tracking template that meet key criteria
 2. Individual meetings with schools to discuss template and agree changes to meet schools' needs
 3. Bespoke template created centrally and sent to school
 4. Follow up support arranged where required
 5. Small support sessions arranged to focus on common queries when using new trackers.



Feedback

From evaluations received from **38 participants across 22 schools** that have trackers, **94% of respondents agreed or strongly agreed** that their recording of data was **more effective following support** from the central team.



Comments from participants:

"Great support on offer and much appreciated, will **reduce workload considerably** and wish I had these skills years ago!"
 "The **support and training has been fantastic.**"
 "Training has **enabled me to pull all of my tracking systems together** very effectively."