

STRATEGIC DELIVERY PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD OF 24TH AUGUST 2023



Childrens Services Planning Partnership - SDP

Date of last meetings: 2nd June 2023 (Half Day Workshop)

CURRENT ISSUES OF CONCERN/CHALLENGES REQUIRING SUPPORT FROM THE SDP CHAIRS EXECUTIVE:

The CSPP is going through a reshaping.

We have appointed a new CSPP coordinator (Gillian Carroll) and have proposed a new structure, which means that there will be only Quarterly CSPP meetings with the membership made up of Senior Leaders and chaired by the current CSPP chair. The focus will be much more on the management of performance and delivery on the Children Services Plan for the next three years. There will be a Joint Improvement Group which will be chaired by the Children Services Planning Coordinator and made up of members of the six subgroups which will drive the delivery of the Children Service Plan; the six subgroups (at present and subject to change of name) are; People, Families, The Promise, Voice, Included, Healthy.

I would welcome support from the SDP Chairs on who should be the core senior members of the CSPP, suggest are; Mark Inglis as Chair, Gillian Carroll, Jamie Tait or Jane Bradley, Scott Mulholland, Kevin Lammie or Joanne Logan, Jackie Hamilton, Marina McLaughlin, David Barr, Kathleen Winter, Alison Gooding.

Follow up action agreed by the SDP CHAIRS EXECUTIVE following 1st June 2023 meeting:

Following approval by the CP Board on 20th April, it was agreed by the SDP Chairs Executive that work will take place by each of the SDPs to agree high level strategic outcomes with supporting priorities as part of the development of the new Local Outcomes Improvement Plan. These will be presented to the Community Planning Executive later in the year prior to going out for consultation in January 2024.

MAIN CURRENT FOCUS OF THE SDP

The main focus of the SDP will be working together as a partnership along with a commissioned consultancy, Horizons Research, to shape the future of South Ayrshire Whole Family Wellbeing. There have been various structured interviews and a questionnaire completed by Horizons and workshops. The first Insight Report was produced and a workshop of the CSPP held on the morning of the 2 June 2023 to discuss the implications of the research and to give informed feedback from CSPP as the research moves into phase two and three of work.

We have also completed the annual CSPP report which is out for publication and will be ready over the summer.

South Ayrshire's next Children Service Plan for 2023 – 2026 is now also being pulled together. The next plan will reflect the work done around the implementation of The Promise, the UNCRC, Child Poverty, the findings of the Department of Public Health report for Ayrshire and Arran and implementing a Whole Family Wellbeing approach along with Education, Thriving Communities and Health and Social Care priorities in partnership with our commissioned partners.

There will also be a workshop between HSCP and Education and partners to look at the future models of working in South Ayrshire which builds upon good evidence of what works well and will enable there to be more

of a locality-based approach to how services are accessed and experienced. This will revolve round the school cluster model and follow the Belmont Family First approach or the Small Steps to Wellbeing.

This is a critical point in the evolution of the CSPP. The relationships with key leaders and the general overall conditions for transformation and change are ripe to enable innovation, collaboration, and partnership working.

PROGRESS UPDATE (INCLUDING AREAS OF SUCCESS)

Since the last report, there has been a one further South Ayrshire CSPP which was in the form of a workshop based in the County Hall. The focus of this was around reflections on the Horizon Insight Report One and to consider the LOIP and CSPP main area for focus in that. The workshop was a very worthwhile and engaging session with full engagement from partners and a strong sense of alignment and agreement with each other and the majority of the Insight Report One. There is very much progress in Children Services Planning with the contribution of the Horizons research. Work in implementing The Promise remains a high priority and key to delivering on the Whole Family Wellbeing as well as delivering on UNCRC and ASN Legislation.

We have recruited a Children Services Planning and Performance Lead Officer, Gillian Carroll, which is a great appointment and one which will enable the CSPP to progress with a new CS Plan effectively.

There is an Annual CSP report which is now out for publishing and will be reported into CPP, Council, IJB and the NHS Board after the summer, as well as being submitted to the Scottish Government.

KEY ISSUES

- The writing and presentation of the annual Children Service Report
- The creation of the next three-year Children Services Plan 2023-2026 with reference to performance management data and qualitative information, the current chair of the CSPG would be the Chair of the CSPP.
- Establishing the new Children Services Planning and Performance Lead Officer
- Establishment of the new structure, namely the Joint Improvement Group, would become more akin to the current CSPP, with a larger cohort of partners who would reflect the work of subgroups. This would be chaired by the Children Services Lead Officer.
- The JIG would also;
 - support a programme of self-evaluation across children's services using an agreed self-evaluation methodology e.g. The Care Inspectorate Self-Evaluation for Improvement Framework and available data including the Local Government Benchmarking Framework;
 - support identification of improvement areas emerging from self-evaluation activity and develop an improvement programme and overseeing progress of the improvement programme;
 - undertake performance management of the Children's Services Plan;
 - drawing on available information and data from self-evaluation, improvement and performance management to inform future priorities for children's services;
 - consider new national policy initiatives, legislation and funding opportunities in terms of local implementation and training requirements and provide advice to the Children's Services Strategic Delivery Partnership on local implementation; and
 - undertake appropriate preparations for inspections
 - The JIG would be made up of a range of partners who would be chairs of the CSPP subgroups, namely (at present and subject to change of name) are; People, Families, The Promise, Voice, Included, Healthy
 - With the plan for an Annual CSPP conference to bring all these key partners together to celebrate the work of CSPP.
- The Children Services Planning Partnership would be made up key Senior Leaders which would meet quarterly and drive performance around delivery of the Plan.

UPDATE ON ACTION TO SUPPORT THE LOIP/PLACE PLANS

The continued work to deliver on The Promise and ensure that it is a key driver for LOIP and CPP

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