



INTEGRATED CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLAN 2023-2026

Report by Chief Social Work Officer

PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of the Report is to seek the Comhairle's approval of the revised 2023– 2026 Integrated Children's Services Plan (ICSP).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Comhairle is an integral element of the Outer Hebrides Children and Young People's Planning Partnership which is in turn part of the Outer Hebrides Community Planning Partnership. The Children and Young People's Planning Partnership (CYPPP) are legally required to have an Integrated Children's Services Plan (ICSP).
- 2.2 The Integrated Children's Services Plan 2023-26 in the appendix to the Report is based on the legal requirements set out in the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 and the subsequent Statutory Guidance on Part 3: Children's Services Planning – Second Edition 2020.
- 2.3 The CYPPP are required to have an ICSP running from 1 April 2023 until 31 March 2026.
- 2.4 The Corporate Parenting Plan has been incorporated within the updated ICSP to create a less complex planning landscape.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 **It is recommended that the Comhairle approves the revised Integrated Children's Services Plan 2023-2026.**

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Appendix: Integrated Children's Services Plan 2023-2026
Background Papers:

IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The following implications are applicable in terms of the Report.

Resource Implications	Implications/None
Financial	The actions contained within the ICSP have been designed to be deliverable from within existing core and grant funded projects and services.
Legal	n/a
Staffing	n/a
Assets and Property	n/a
Strategic Implications	Implications/None
Risk	n/a
Equalities	n/a
Corporate Strategy	Ensure those in need receive the care and support they need to live safe, healthy and independent lives.
Environmental Impact	n/a
Consultation	n/a

BACKGROUND

- 5.1 The Comhairle is an integral element of the Children and Young People's Planning Partnership and a key partner in the formulation and implementation of the Integrated Children's Services Plan. The multi-agency group does also include among other representatives from the NHS, SCRA, Police Scotland, Hebridean Housing Partnership and Third Sector.
- 5.2 Under Part 3 of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 and updated guidance from 2020 there is a legal requirement to each Community Planning Partnership through the CYPPP to have an Integrated Children's Services Plan which is renewed every three years.
- 5.3 The CYPPP reviews the progress made by the sub-groups between meetings in terms of our journey towards improving and increasing services for children, young people, and their families. Currently Cllr Mustapha Hocine chairs the CYPPP.