

Children’s Services Plan on a Page 2025-2026				
Ambition				
All Clackmannanshire Children and Young People will be empowered and enabled to lead confident fulfilling lives. To achieve this, they will have the best start in life and grow up loved, safe, included and respected.				
Objectives				
Whole Family Support Every family that needs support gets the right family support at the right time for as long as it is needed to fulfil children’s rights to be raised safely in their own families	Voice Children young people and their families will be empowered and enabled to influence and shape the supports available to them.	Health and Wellbeing Children, young people and their families are supported to achieve and maintain positive physical and mental health and wellbeing.	The Promise Care experienced children and young people in Clackmannanshire will grow up loved, safe, and respected.	Care and Protection Children and young people will feel safe, included, and respected within their communities—empowered to belong, contribute, and thrive.
Outcomes				
Whole Family Support All children, young people, and their families in Clackmannanshire have timely and equal access to a coordinated range of support services that meet their needs and help them thrive Effective Whole Family Support helps more children to be safely cared for at home Local Family Support services are developed, planned, and evaluated with families' voices at the heart, ensuring person-centred and responsive approaches	Voice Children’s rights, as set out in the UNCRC, are at the heart of every service that supports children, young people, and families Services are co-designed with children, young people, and families, empowering them to influence decisions and ensure community support reflects their needs and aspirations	Health & Wellbeing The health and wellbeing of children and young people is improved and inequalities reduced. Children, young people and their families have increased access to a range of physical and mental health and wellbeing supports and services whenever they need them and for as long as they need them. There will be a continued reduction in the rate of deaths by probable suicide in 11-25 year olds. To reduce the teenage conception rate and associated termination rate for < 20 year olds in Clackmannanshire.	The Promise Care experienced children and young People are supported to achieve their potential in learning, health, life, work through inclusive non stigmatising approaches Children and young people in care will receive trauma informed, safe care without physical intervention, growing up locally with siblings where it is safe to do so, and connected to significant people Children and young people will have improved access to local care provision, housing options, and support when leaving care delivered through collaborative multi-agency approaches We will build a strong local care community where caregivers receive the right support and training to improve outcomes for children and young people	Care and Protection Children and young people will experience safety, inclusion, and respect in their communities, supported by environments that uphold their rights and celebrate their identities All child protection processes will be underpinned by trauma-informed principles and the UNCRC, ensuring that children’s rights, safety, and emotional needs are central to every decision and action
Actions 2025 – 26				
Whole Family Support Embed the Clackmannanshire Family Support Collaborative, an alliance of statutory, third sector and community services informed and shaped by the needs of families to deliver a range of Whole Family Support. Invest and commission innovative models of service delivery that are informed by the voice and needs of communities with attention given to areas of good practice, increased service capacity and out of hour’s provision. Clackmannanshire and Stirling ADP will seek to align its investments with Children's Services Plans in both areas in 2025, through the HSCP Commissioning Consortium process. Increase support for kinship carers so that children and young people remain within their family network.	Voice Develop and embed creative approaches that ensure the views and voices of children and young people are sought. Embed UNCRC across all services. Ensure children young people and families are actively involved in the design and development of local services. Review electronic mechanisms to support young people to share their views and participate in planning. Embed UNCRC into all educational establishment improvement plans. Support educational establishments to achieve the Rights Respecting Schools (RRS) Award. Work in partnership with UNICEF to train two staff to carry out Silver RRS visits.	Health and Wellbeing Continue to implement the Mental Health and Wellbeing in Clacks transformation project, with a particular focus on sustaining and extending supports and services, increasing staff skills and knowledge, and supporting wellbeing for all. Ensure children and young people can improve their mental health & wellbeing through a range of person-centred pursuits such as physical or social activities. Development of a care experience health pathway across Forth Valley Embed the Readiness for Learning (R4L) approach and developmentally appropriate experiences across all education settings Consistent implementation of relationships, sexual health and parenthood education (RSHP) in education settings from 3-18yrs, Embed preventative approaches for reduction in teenage conception rates across CPP partner agencies. Continue to ensure children are reaching attainment in P1 by being developmentally ready Provide a range of support to teenage parents	The Promise Quality Assurance process to be strengthened around Child’s Plans to ensure children & young people’s needs are clearly identified and met through a holistic approach to support planning. Increase capacity across the partnership to record and share data trends to fully analyse, evidence, and measure the impact our actions are having on the lived experience of children and young people. Promote inclusive non stigmatising school communities that recognise and are responsive to the needs of care experienced children and young people offering bespoke opportunities and support to increase attendance and attainment. Collaborate with families to develop flexible, friendly and welcoming spaces that enable families who are separated to spend time together alongside approaches to support children and young people to keep in touch with people that matter to them. Increase information and support for young people moving on from care. Supporting care givers and the workforce through training at appropriate levels aligned with the Transforming Psychological Trauma Knowledge and Skills Framework.	Care and Protection Deliver effective trauma-responsive services that reduce risks and maximise opportunities for early intervention, prevention and sustainable change. Embed the Scottish Child Interview Model approach for children and young people who are at risk of harm. Progress the Forth Valley Bairns’ Hoose programme to design and test specific trauma responsive approaches to support children and families involved in child protection systems. Support children and young people to build resilience and capacity for personal safety that reduces their vulnerability and susceptibility to on-line risk exposure and harms. Progress the development of a whole system approach for children and young people in conflict with the law with Children & Young People’s Centre for Justice. Continue to strengthen the Justice Services multi-disciplinary team focusing on community-based early intervention, prevention and survivor support.
Indicators 2025 - 26				
Whole Family Support Increase number of Kinship families receiving support Increase in number of families supported reporting improved financial outcomes	Voice Increase % of children who are aware of their rights in relation to UNCRC Increase % of workforce who have increased awareness of the rights	Health and Wellbeing Reduced deaths per 100,000 through suspected suicide for 11-25yo Reduced rates of referral to CAMHS for mental health distress	The Promise Reduce % of care experienced children in out of authority placements Increase % of care experienced pupils entering positive sustained destinations	Care and Protection Reduction in number of children on Child Protection register Reduction in number of unborn and babies on the CPR

Increase number of families accessing specialist domestic abuse services Reduction in number of children requiring statutory measures of intervention Increase numbers of families report improved family wellbeing after receipt of family support services Increase number of young people participating in diversionary activities and the percentage of those provided by communities and voluntary sector Increased Percentage of parents accessing parenting programmes who report improved family wellbeing	of children under UNCRC Increase % of multi-disciplinary workforce and volunteers accessing relevant training modules through the new TSI Scotland Training platform Increase % of care experienced children and young people aged 12 to 26 years who report they have meaningful opportunities to inform and influence service development and delivery Increase % of care experienced children and young people who use Viewpoint Increase % care experienced children accessing independent advocacy	Increased number of hours of CLPL accessed by staff in relation to aspects of mental health Increase number of hours of CLPL accessed by staff in relation to Readiness for Learning and Readiness for Caring Increase number of children and young people will access community-based mental health supports Increase number of children and young people will report a positive improvement following access to a community-based mental health support service Increase no. and % of 4-5yr olds reaching developmental milestones Increase the number and % of children meeting developmental milestones at 27-30 months Increase % of children who have received their health visitor contacts in accordance with the Universal Health Visiting pathway and the child’s plan. Increase number and % of teen parents engaged with Family Nurse Partnership – for baby up to 2yrs old. Reduce number and % of teenage pregnancies- conception rate. Reduced % of children & young people attending Tier 1 mental health support from school nurses. Reduced percentage of children with a developmental concern recorded at their 13-15 months, 27-30 months, and 4-5 year reviews. Increase % of children receiving Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) treatment within 18 weeks of referral Decreased number of children being referred to CAMHS for generic mental health support	Increase % of care experienced children placed within their own communities Increase % of joint workforce who have improved knowledge and skills in mental wellbeing, trauma and domestic abuse informed practice. Increase % of care experienced brothers and sisters who are placed together Reduce number and rate of children in the ‘care system’ during the year Increase number and percentage of children in the ‘care system’ who are living at home with parents Increase number and percentage of children who are living in kinship care each year Reduce number and percentage of children in the care system who are living in foster care each year Reduce number and percentage of children who are living in residential care each year Reduce number and percentage of children who have experienced 3 or more homes within the last year Increase number of registered foster care households and relative to number of children in the ‘care system’. Increase proportion of who are eligible for aftercare services who are receiving services. Increase number and proportion of eligible young people who are going on to continuing care. Reduce proportion of family groups living in foster families who have been separated. Reduce number of incidents of physical restraint and seclusion reported in residential care, school care and secure care.	Reduce Rate of registrations to the child protection register from initial and pre-birth Case Conferences during the year per 1,000 0-15 year olds. Reduce number and rate of children on the Child Protection Register with domestic abuse listed as a concern identified. Reduce number and percentage of children in temporary accommodation. Reduce number of referrals to the Children’s Reporter on offence grounds. Reduce number of Children referred to the Reporter on non- offence grounds Reduce number of under 21s in custody on an average day.
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