

Dumfries and Galloway Integration Joint Board

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This Report relates to Item 8 on the Agenda

# Dumfries and Galloway Local Child Poverty Action Plan Annual Report 2019/2020 and Action Plan for 2020-2023

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## For Endorsement

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List of	Dumfries and Galloway Council - Local Child Poverty Action Report Annual		
Background	Report 2019/20 and Action Plan for 2020-23 – 25 June 2020 (Item 19)		
Papers:	https://dumfriesgalloway.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=137&		
	MId=4940&Ver=4		
	NHS Dumfries and Galloway Board - Local Child Poverty Action Report		
	Annual Report 2019/20 and Action Plan for 2020-23 – 6 July 2020 (Item 62)		
	https://www.nhsdg.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/060720-NHS-Board-		
	Agenda-and-Papers.pdf		
Appendices:	Appendix 1 - Local Child Poverty Action Report Annual Report for 2019/20		
	and Action Plan 2020-23		

Direction	Direction to:		
Required to	No Direction Required		
Council, Health	2. Dumfries and Galloway Council		
Board or Both	NHS Dumfries and Galloway		
	4. Dumfries and Galloway Council and NHS Dumfries and	Χ	
	Galloway		

#### 1. Introduction

1.1 The Child Poverty Act introduced a requirement for Local Authorities and Health Boards to jointly prepare Local Child Poverty Action Reports (LCPAR), (which should include Action Plans). In order to align with Scottish Government annual progress reporting, local areas are required to submit their Child Poverty Action Reports by 30th June each year. The Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board and the Integration Joint Board (IJB) are invited to endorse the report given their contribution to this agenda.

#### 2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Integration Joint Board is asked to:
  - Endorse the 2019/20 Annual Report of the Dumfries and Galloway Local Child Poverty Action Report and the outline 2020-23 Action Plan
- 3. Background and Main Report
- 3.1 The attached Annual Report was agreed by Dumfries and Galloway Council on 25 June 2020 and the NHS Dumfries and Galloway Board at its meeting on 6 July 2020 (with some additional statistical evidence to be added about performance in the 2019/20 Action Plan). The CPP Board endorsed it at the meeting on 1 July 2020.
- 3.2 Highlights of the 2019/20 Reports are:
  - there is a stronger focus on the UN Convention of Children's Rights (section 3 of the Annual Report)
  - a self-assessment against a set of 22 recommendations, drawn up by a national Commission after reviewing the 2018/19 Annual Reports from across all Scottish Councils and Health Boards. It shows that out of the 18 Recommendations relevant to local Reports, we had achieved 7; 10 are in progress; and 1 had not been achieved (Appendix 1 of the Annual Report)
  - evidence of substantial improvements in relation to engagement with parents, children and young people (Section 5 of the Annual Report)
  - evidence of significant activity and investment across partners, and positive impact, in relation to the three Drivers of Child Poverty and the Priority Groups (Section 8.4 of the Annual Report)
  - achievement of the 2019/20 Action Plan. It shows that out of the 19 Actions: we have completed 7; 9 are in progress; 2 have been delayed; and data is not yet available for 1(Appendix 2 of the Annual Report).
- 3.3 As agreed at the CPP Board in March 2020, the Action Plan is aligned with the Children's Services Plan and is now for three years.

3.4 As members of the IJB are very much aware, the COVID19 pandemic will have a significant impact on child poverty, but it is not possible at this early stage to assess exactly what that will be. A number of organisations are already undertaking research and analysis and this information will require careful assessment by the Children's Services Executive Group over the coming months to update and refine the outline Action Plan which is contained in the Annual Report (Appendix 5 of the Annual Report).

#### 4. Conclusions

- 4.1 The 2019/20 Annual Report has been seen as a significant improvement from the first Annual Report as it sets out clear performance against an Action Plan for the preceding year; identifies contributions from a wide range of partners; and integrates the Human Rights dimension and new Public Health Priorities into our approach.
- 4.2 The Action Plan for 2020-23 will be subject to further detailed consideration by the Children's Services Executive Group, given the developing picture as a result of COVID19 and taking into account the research and intelligence that is becoming available.

#### 5. Resource Implications

5.1 There are no resourcing implications for the IJB.

#### 6. Impact on Integration Joint Board Outcomes, Priorities and Policy

6.1 The Annual Report includes its contributions to the six Public Health priorities.

#### 7. Legal and Risk Implications

7.1 There are no legal implications or risk issues for the Integration Joint Board.

#### 8. Consultation

8.1 The report sets out the various stakeholder groups whose work has informed the Child Poverty Action Report Annual Report for 2019/20 and Action Plan for 2020-23. The Action Plan will be developed by the Children's Services Executive Group and will involve engagement with partners, including the Health and Social Care Partnership.

#### 9. Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment

- 9.1 This is a retrospective Report on the activities undertaken over the last year and therefore does not required an Impact Assessment.
- 9.2 The Action Plan for 2020-23 will have an Impact Assessment using the agreed partnership Impact Assessment Toolkit which involves stakeholders and covers not only equalities and Human Rights but also health inequalities, economic and social sustainability and climate change.

#### 10. Glossary

CPP IJB LCPAR	Community Planning Partnership Integration Joint Board Local Child Poverty Action Report
LOITAR	Local Office Foreign Report



## **Dumfries and Galloway Integration Joint Board**

#### **DIRECTION**

## (ISSUED UNDER SECTIONS 26-28 OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (JOINT WORKING) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014)

1.	Title of Direction and Reference Number	
2.	Date Direction Issued by Integration Joint Board	
3.	Date from which Direction takes effect	
4.	Direction to	
5.	Does this direction supersede, amend or cancel a previous Direction? If yes, include the reference number(s)	
6.	Functions covered by Direction	
7.	Full text of Direction	
8.	Budget allocated by Integration Joint Board to carry out Direction	
9.	Desired Outcomes	
10.	Performance Monitoring Arrangements	
11.	. Date Direction will be Reviewed	