



Dumfries and Galloway  
Clinical and Care Governance Committee

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This Report relates to  
Item 9 on the Agenda

# Mandate and Joint Annual Report for the Children's Services Plan

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*For Noting*

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<b>List of Background Papers:</b>	N/A
<b>Appendices:</b>	<b>Appendix 1 - Mandate</b>

## **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to make IJB Clinical and Care Governance Committee aware of the Joint Annual Report on Year 1 (2020-21) of Dumfries and Galloway Children's Services Plan 2020-23, and to note the preparation of the Dumfries and Galloway Children's Services Plan 2023-26 in line with the proposed Consultation Mandate

## **2. Recommendations**

### **2.1 IJB Clinical and Care Governance Committee are asked to:**

- **Note the Joint Annual Report on Year 1 (2020-21) of Dumfries and Galloway Children's Services Plan 2020-23**
- **Note the preparation of the Dumfries and Galloway Children's Services Plan 2023-26 as per the Consultation Mandate at Appendix 1.**
- **Note that the report has been taken through Board Management Team in March 2022, H&SC Governance and Performance Committee on 7<sup>th</sup> April and was taken to NHS Board on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022 for approval.**

## **3. Background and Main Report**

- 3.1 The [Children and Young People Scotland Act \(2014\) Part 3](#) (Children's services planning) places a duty on each local authority and its relevant health board to jointly prepare a Children's Services Plan for the area of the local authority, every three years.
- 3.2 The current Dumfries and Galloway Children's Services Plan was published in 2020 covering the period 1 April 2020 – 31 March 2023. Scottish Government require publication of an annual progress report as soon as practicable after 31 March in each year of the plan.
- 3.3 A Joint Annual Report on the Children's Services Plan would normally be published during the summer period, however due to the pandemic the Scottish Government revised the timeline for Year 1 reports to the end of December 2021. The Joint Annual Report on Year 1 of the Dumfries and Galloway Children's Services Plan was prepared in December 2021 and is available here:  
<https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/media/25280/Childrens-Services-Plan-2020-2023/pdf/DG-Childrens-Services-Plan-Year-1-Joint-Annual-Report-2020-21.pdf?m=637753344739670000>
- 3.4 A new children's services plan must be published and in place by 1 April 2023, with a clear process for producing this contained within [Statutory Guidance](#) published by the Scottish Government.

<p>3.5 The Children's Services Strategic and Planning Partnership (formerly Children's Services Executive Group) are responsible for the development and delivery of the Children's Services Plan. The Partnership is accountable to Chief Officers and reports progress to Scottish Government, Dumfries and Galloway Council and the NHS Board as well as updating the Community Planning Partnership Board and Integrated Joint Board. The Nurse Director and General Manager (Women, Children &amp; Sexual Health Services) represent health on the Executive Group of the Partnership, with a range of other health colleagues members of the partnership groups that sit beneath this.</p> <p>3.6 In preparing a new Children's Services Plan by 1 April 2023, Officers are required to adhere to the Council's Framework for Planning and Delivering Effective Consultation with Communities. In line with this, a Consultation and Engagement Mandate has been developed and is set out in Appendix 1.</p> <p>3.7 The Children's Services Strategic and Planning Partnership, the Youth Council and the Council's Community Engagement Manager are in agreement with the contents of the Consultation and Engagement Mandate.</p> <p>3.8 A consistent Consultation and Engagement Mandate will also be presented to Dumfries and Galloway Council for their approval at a meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022.</p>
<p><b>4. Conclusions</b></p> <p>4.1 Approval of this Consultation and Engagement Mandate by NHS Board will allow Officers to progress the preparation of the 2023-26 Children's Services Plan to meet the requirements of the Children and Young People Scotland Act (2014) Part 3.</p>
<p><b>5. Resource Implications</b></p> <p>5.1 Not applicable.</p>
<p><b>6. Impact on Health and Social Care Partnership Outcomes, Priorities and Policy</b></p> <p>6.1 Not applicable.</p>
<p><b>7. Legal and Risk Implications</b></p> <p>7.1 Not applicable.</p>
<p><b>8. Consultation</b></p> <p>8.1 The Council Management Team, the Youth Council, and the Children's Services Strategic and Planning Partnership have been consulted on the content of this report and agree with its recommendations.</p>

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

- 9.1 As this report does not propose a change in policy/strategy/plan/project, it is not necessary to complete an Impact Assessment.

## **10. Glossary**

- 10.1 All acronyms must be set out in full the first time they appear in a paper with the acronym following in brackets.

<b>EQIA</b>	<b>Equalities Impact Assessment</b>
<b>IJB</b>	<b>Integration Joint Board</b>



## Mandate

Dumfries and Galloway Council and NHS Dumfries and Galloway working with our Community Planning partners

want to understand the views of children, young people, families and communities in Dumfries and Galloway with a focus on those who may require supports or services additional to those that are provided universally

concerning the identification of needs, joint multi-agency priorities, local outcome indicators, and high-level actions for services for children and young people in Dumfries and Galloway from 2023 to 2026

so that Dumfries and Galloway Council and NHS Dumfries and Galloway, working with stakeholders

can develop the statutory Dumfries and Galloway Children's Services Plan 2023-26

by 31 March 2023

so as to meet the statutory requirement under Part 3 of the Children and Young People (Scotland) 2014 Act which requires every local authority and its relevant health board to jointly prepare a Children's Services Plan for the area of the local authority, in respect of each three-year period.

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<b>Approved by</b>	[insert name of Committee]
<b>Date of Approval</b>	[insert date]

## For Office Use Only

**This Mandate seeks authorisation for:**

Information Sharing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Engagement	<input type="checkbox"/>
Consultation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

*If you seek authorisation for:*

- **Engagement**, please consider the [National Standards for Community Engagement](#)
- **Consultation**, please follow the Framework for Planning and Delivering Effective Consultation with Communities. However, a different approach is required if you're seeking to consult with customers about their satisfaction with a Service and you should contact the Customer Services Manager.

### **1. I am clear that I need to carry out this work in order to:**

Meet a statutory requirement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identify issues or priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Inform a policy, plan or project	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Prioritise future spending	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gather opinions on proposals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Shape how a service is delivered	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		

### **2. I have the authority to carry out this work based on approval from:**

Line Manager	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Please Detail –</i>
Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Project Board	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Partnership / Working Group	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	

### **3. The decision that will be influenced by the outcome of this work will be taken by:**

Line Manager / Head of Service / Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	Project Board	<input type="checkbox"/>
Committee / Sub-Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Partnership / Working Group	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scottish Government	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>