

COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE FOR CARLISLE

Meeting date: 25 May 2022

From: Executive Director – Corporate, Customer and Community Services

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE’S WORKING GROUP

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 *This report is focussed on the priorities of the Group for this final year of Cumbria County Council 2022-2023.*

2.0 STRATEGIC PLANNING AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

2.1 *The items covered by this report support the council to achieve the outcomes stated in the Council Plan*

- *Young people in Cumbria are healthy and safe*
- *Places in Cumbria are well-connected and thriving.*

2.2 *The County Council vision, included in the Council Plan 2018-2022, sets out that it will be ‘A Council that works with residents, businesses, communities and other organisations to deliver the best services possible within the available resources.’ The approach and work of the Local Committee directly contributes to this vision.*

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 *Members are asked to note the contents of this report.*

4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 This report is based around the Children and Young Peoples Working Group priorities for 2022-2023 to ensure the improvement outcomes for Children and Young People.

4.2 Support the work of the Looked After Children Champion

4.3 With the cost of living increasing there is a need to ensure young people who are independent living are supported with household bills with the up in coming rises and any other priorities the Champion may bring to the group.

4.4 Domestic Abuse – Supporting Children and Young People impacted by Domestic Violence

4.5 Ongoing support of Children and young people who have been impacted by domestic violence and the effect of the aftermath of covid-19. Connect and support the good work Cumbria County Council Domestic Abuse team do.

4.6 Development of Play and Youth Provision in Urban and Rural Areas

4.7 Park Play has started in the Upperby area – 7th May 9.30 Hammonds Pond, the sessions are free. Heysham is another highlighted area for these sessions and will start once a co-ordinator is appointed. Once both sessions are up and running, other priority areas will be considered

4.8 Anti-social behaviour has been highlighted in recent months. A multi-agency network group has been set up prioritising the Harraby area, this will now be extended to the wider remit of Carlisle

4.9 Support Cumbria Holiday Activity Food Programme (HAF)

4.10 The programme has been agreed for this year for those who are entitled to Free School Meals from funding received from the government.

4.11 23 providers will be delivering a variety of activities mainly face to face. They must provide at least four hours of activity per day, four days a week and a healthy meal. There are 6 new providers, 2 with a disability focus, 2 with only secondary aged schools.

| | Total number of Children | Total number of sessions |
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| Easter | 544 | 2118 |
| Summer | 797 | 7786 |
| Winter | 759 | 1914 |

4.12 Carlisle Holiday Activity Partnership (CHAP)

4.13 CHAP has been facilitated by the Community Development team since summer 2020. This work has developed from work undertaken in 2018 and 2019 to support a joined-up approach to delivering summer holiday activities in Carlisle. Funding has been asked to be ringfenced for delivery of school holiday activities will be for those who not on Free School Meals but are on low income. Providers can use this funding as a joined-up approach alongside the Cumbria Holiday Activity Food Programme (HAF) so everyone can benefit.

4.14 Health and Wellbeing of Children and Young People

4.15 Health and Wellbeing is still a high priority as children are still struggling with the effects of Covid-19 and coming out of lockdown. Build on the good work of Carlisle Suicide Safer Community Action Group with Every Life Matters, which will be doing training in schools and communities.

4.16 **Vulnerable Groups**

4.17 Look at ways to support and connect with vulnerable groups and organisations to ensure that every young person has opportunities and are able voice their opinions. Connect with Carlisle Key, People First, Carlisle Mencap and Glenmore trust. Work closer with Targeted Youth and Youth Voice.

5.0 **RESOURCE AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 There are no financial implications for the Local Committee arising from this report.

6.0 **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 The recommendation at 3.1 is form members to note the content of the report. There are, therefore, no direct legal implications.

7.0 **CONCLUSION**

7.1 This report provides a basic overview of the priorities of Children and Young People Working Group for this final year.

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13th May 2022

APPENDICES

No appendices

Electoral Divisions: All

Executive Decision

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Key Decision

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If a Key Decision, is the proposal published in the current Forward Plan?

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| | N/A |
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Is the decision exempt from call-in on grounds of urgency?

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| | No |
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If exempt from call-in, has the agreement of the Chair of the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee been sought or obtained?

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| | N/A |
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Has this matter been considered by Overview and Scrutiny?

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If so, give details below.

Has an environmental or sustainability impact assessment been undertaken?

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Has an equality impact assessment been undertaken?

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N.B. If an executive decision is made, then a decision cannot be implemented until the expiry of the eighth working day after the date of the meeting – unless the decision is urgent and exempt from call-in and necessary approvals have been obtained.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT COUNCIL OR EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

No previous relevant decisions.

CONSIDERATION BY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

Not considered by Overview and Scrutiny

BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers

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