

Meeting: Family Friendly Sub-Committee

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Title: Children and Young People Plan (refresh) 2023 - 2025

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Service: Children and Young People's learning

Wards affected: All

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek comments and input from the committee to shape the initial proposal of the priorities set out within the refresh of the children and young people's plan 2023-2025.
- 1.1.2 The Children and Young People's Plan 2023-2025 refresh, sets out the strategic framework and partnership priorities to ensure that all children in North Tyneside can achieve their full potential.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that committee members

- (1) Consider the proposals for the refresh of Children and Young People's Plan 2023 - 2025 in terms of the priorities and note that following this, consultation with young people is planned to commence as part of next steps to further shape and inform the priorities.
- (2) Note the final version of refreshed Plan will be submitted to Cabinet for approval in accordance with the Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules contained in the Authority's Constitution.

3. Information

- 3.1 The 2021–2025 plan is the third Children and Young People’s Plan that the partnership has produced, this plan, to date and the previous Children and Young People’s Plan 2014–2018, has underpinned the delivery of key success and significant service developments and improvements.
- 3.2 A refresh of the plan (2023 – 2025) and its strategic partnership framework and priorities has commenced in light of the impact of covid on children, young people and families to ensure that all children in North Tyneside are able to achieve their full potential.
- 3.3 A new plan Children and Young People’s plan will be developed in 2025 to align with the priorities in the our North Tyneside Plan and Equally Well strategy.
- 3.4 The North Tyneside Children and Young People’s Plan (refresh) 2023–2025 is developed and owned by the Children and Young People’s Partnership. The partnership brings together public, voluntary and community sector organisations to improve the lives of the borough’s children and young people.
- 3.5 The Children and Young People’s Plan is a key mechanism by which we deliver the objectives linked to ‘A family–friendly North Tyneside’ and ‘A caring North Tyneside’.
- 3.6 The Children and Young People’s Plan focuses on delivering improved outcomes for all children and young people up to the age of 19 years, and those young people aged up to 25 years who are care leavers, have special educational needs or a disability and live in the borough. It also acts as the Child Poverty Strategy for North Tyneside.
- 3.7 The Children and Young People’s plan sets out our collective vision for children and young people in North Tyneside of: *“Making North Tyneside an even greater place for children and young people to thrive; where all, including those who are vulnerable, disadvantaged*

or disabled, are ready for school, ready for work and life, cared for and supported.”

- 3.8 As a partnership we will collectively focus on priority themes that children, young people and their families tell us matter most to them – *ensuring that all children and young people are safe, happy, healthy and able to achieve in North Tyneside.*
- 3.9 These key themes will be driven and supported through our ambition to tackle inequalities by giving every child the best start in life and maximising capabilities, as well as being underpinned through our embedded prevention and early help approach. Our work will always be shaped and challenged by listening to the voice of our children and young people.
- 3.10 As a partnership we have a huge amount of data and intelligence about Children, Young People, their families and carers across North Tyneside. When this is all viewed together, we have a very detailed overview of strengths and challenges facing people living in our communities. Our foremost priority is to ensure we keep children and young people safe from harm, but this must be supported by helping them to remain happy, healthy, receive a high-quality education in an environment of support and encouragement.
- 3.11 Despite the many significant achievements that the Authority has delivered in recent years, there remain many challenges that the Authority continues to be focused on. Alongside the changing need and demand, including the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Authority’s understanding of its challenges and what is important to children and young people have informed the priorities and actions set out in the refreshed plan to meet those different needs and help all children and young people thrive.
- 3.12 As a partnership we will develop an action plan to deliver against the themes and focus on evidencing the outcomes achieved for Children

and Young People in North Tyneside. Our multi-agency action plan will ensure a joined-up approach to achieve our vision and will be reviewed regularly and progress reported through our partnership.

4. Background Information

4.1 The following background papers/information have been used in the compilation of this report:

- (1) [2021–2025 North Tyneside Children and Young People’s Plan](#)
- (2) [2020–24 Our North Tyneside Plan](#)
- (3) [North Tyneside Council Constitution: Part 4.7 Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules](#)
- (4) [The Children and Young People’s Plan \(England\) Regulations 2005](#)

5. Appendices

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