



**REPORT TO: EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES AND ORGANISATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON 18 NOVEMBER 2020**

SUBJECT: CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLAN ANNUAL REPORT 2019-20

BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To provide the Committee with a copy of the Children's Services Plan Annual Report 2019-20 for information purposes

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **It is recommended that the Committee consider and note the content of the Annual Report (Appendix 1) and seek clarification on any matters relating thereto.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 places a statutory duty on the 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.
- 3.2 As set out under section 3(1) of the Act, as soon as practicable after the end of each one year period, the Local Authority and relevant Health Board must publish, in such a manner as they consider appropriate, an annual progress report.
- 3.3 Each annual report is required to provide a summary of progress made in the previous year, measured against the Children's Services Plan priorities and outcome measures. This report covers the 2019-20 financial year, which is the final year of the 2017-20 Children's Services Plan.
- 3.4 The Annual Report (2019-20) was approved by the GIRFEC Leadership Group on 8 September 2020 and endorsed by the Chief Officers Group on 30 October 2020.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP))

This report relates to the priority 'Provide opportunities where young people can achieve their potential to be the best they can be' from the Corporate Plan and to 'Building a better future for our children and young people in Moray' from the LOIP.

(b) Policy and Legal

The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 section 3(1) requires every local authority and its relevant health board to jointly produce an annual progress report in relation to the 3 year Children's Services Plan

(c) Financial implications

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

(d) Risk Implications

There are no risk implications arising directly from this report.

(e) Staffing Implications

There are no staffing implications arising directly from this report.

(f) Property

There are no property implications arising directly from this report.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

An Equalities/Socio Economic Impact Assessment is not required as the purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with a copy of the approved Children's Services Plan Annual Report (2019-20).

(h) Consultations

GIRFEC Leadership Group membership
Chief Officers Group membership

5. CONCLUSION

- 5.1 The content of the annual report which has been approved in accordance with statutory requirements is noted.

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Background Papers: Children's Services Plan Annual Report 2019-20

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