

What does the Children and Young People's Plan 2009 – 2012 mean for Voluntary and Community Sector organisations in Gloucestershire?

An information leaflet for the Voluntary and Community Sector

There are hundreds of small, medium and large Voluntary and Community Sector organisations in Gloucestershire, who provide services and support to children, young people and families.

Whether you choose to engage with the work of the Children's Trust in the county, as a partner, by bidding for tenders and contracts, or not, you need to know in general terms what the local children's plan contains, because it will affect your work.

This leaflet is designed to be useful to organisations when discussing your priorities, longer term goals in team meetings, at trustees meetings etc. It aims to give you a basic introduction to the plan and where you can find more information.

You can find the full plan at: www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/CYPP



Gloucestershire Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership

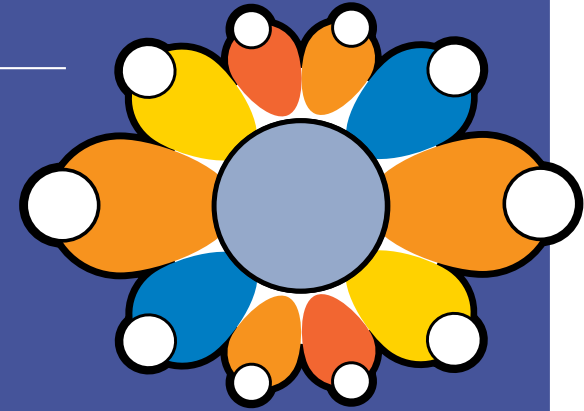


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The Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership (CYPSP)

The CYPSP is the Children's Trust 'arrangement' for Gloucestershire, and as such is required by law to publish a 'Children and Young People's Plan', consulting widely with communities and partners in its creation, including with the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS). The plan lays out the priorities of the partnership as to how it intends to improve the lives of children and young people, particularly vulnerable ones, or those who aren't doing as well as they could.

To find out about the CYPSP and its role, go to www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/aboutcypsp



The Children and Young People's Plan 2009 - 2012 and the Voluntary Sector

The plan was the result of public consultation, and representatives of the VCS were involved in writing the plan. The plan is really important for the VCS and third sector organisations, **whether** or not your organisation chooses to engage with the partnership.

If your organisation is applying for public sector grants or tenders for contracts, then the plan will tell you what the shared priorities are for all partners (Gloucestershire County Council, NHS Gloucestershire (PCT), Gloucestershire Constabulary and Police Authority, LA School settings, Job Centre Plus, 6 District Councils, Probation, Prospects, VCS etc) - this will be essential for your business planning.

If your organisation is **not** involved in applying for grants or tendering to local public sector bodies, it will be important to you, as it will help you to understand what other organisations you might work with are doing who **are** working to the plan. Some charitable and other funders might also ask you how the work you do sits in with the local children's plan.

The Needs Analysis - you can input at any time

The CYPSP is required to carry out a comprehensive Needs Analysis to identify the needs of children and young people in the county. This is done every 3 years and is reviewed every year to ensure that the plan is based on strong evidence of need. The Needs Analysis identifies ways in which children and young people are thriving, but also where they are not doing well. This forms the basis of the priorities in the plan.

To access the Needs Analysis, go to:
www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/needsanalysis2009

The Information Management and Strategic Planning Team, who compile the Needs Analysis, are always looking for new information about the needs of children and young people. If your organisation has any information or data about the needs of the children, young people and families you work with, or you are developing new, innovative solutions to old problems, or if they are encountering new challenges in their lives, tell the Information Management and Strategic Planning Team .

E-mail: moira.pratt@gloucestershire.gov.uk to contribute to the Needs Analysis.

What's the shared vision?

The shared vision which all partners (including the VCS - through the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership) have signed up to is;

"We want to ensure that our children and young people thrive and reach their full potential"

The Plan - what does it consist of?

The Plan is divided into two parts.

1. A three year document which describes how the plan was developed, who was consulted, a description of the policy and legal context for the plan, what the consultation said and so on. A wide range of stakeholders were consulted, including a large number of children and young people.
2.
 - A series of 'Annual Action Cards' which describes in detail how the 8 priorities in the plan will be achieved. **This is where organisations will need to look to discover where their own work sits in relation to the plan.**
 - An Enabler card that lays out general themes which apply right across the plan.

Key area of focus for 2009-10:

- Participation of children, young people and their families
- An integrated children's workforce across the partnership
- Commissioning, including individual commissioning
- Integrated working especially at a local level
- Play strategies - National and Local
- Positive activities, including volunteering

What are the strategic objectives?

There are two strategic objectives which each contain 4 priorities (these 8 priorities are the 'core' of the plan - **this is where the business priorities are expressed in detail.**

They are;

Strategic objective	Priorities
Support high quality universal services to prevent problems from developing or getting worse	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Healthy Lifestyle Choices• Personal Safety• Readiness for Employment and Adult Life• Child Poverty
Ensure services are able to intervene early and in a sustained way when extra help is needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improved Emotional Health and Well-being• Educational Achievement for Vulnerable CYP is Improved• Increased Safeguarding of children and young people• Positive outcomes for children and young people with learning difficulties and/or disabilities

More detailed information about the priorities are given on pages 5/6.



How can my organisation influence the Children and Young People's Plan, and the work of the Strategic Partnership?



The Gloucestershire Assembly team exists to support the Voluntary and Community Sector to make its voice heard in the planning and development of services across the county, including within the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership (CYPSP).

You can go to www.gloshub.org.uk/sg_cyp.html to

- Sign up to the Children and Young People's UPDATE - a weekly bulletin of information, training opportunities, grants and tender opportunities and much much more
- Find out who your VCS representative is on issues that concern you or you want to know more about and contact them.

Or contact Bob Lewis (Development Worker - Children and Young People) E-mail bohl@glosassembly.org.uk Tel: 01452 522600

How can we find out about grants/tenders and contracts for work to be carried out under the plan.

Grants and tenders/contract opportunities which arise as a result of the priorities of this plan are all advertised in the Children and Young People's update which is published weekly on the GLOSHUB website.

Go to www.gloshub.org.uk/sg_cypbulletin to see the bulletin

Or go to Gloucestershire County Councils website on www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/marketmanagementtenders

You can also register on the Due North Portal to view contracts being advertised over £50,000 (this is possibly being lowered to the value of £20,000 at a later date). www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk

A brand new children and young people's version of the CYPP 2009-2012 has been produced. For further information or to download / request copies go to: www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/CYPPPoster



For the latest guidance on safeguarding and making sure CYP are safe, and what to do if you're worried about a child or young person?

Go to the Gloucestershire Safeguarding Children's Board website www.gscb.org.uk/scs.htm

For information about other sources of funding and investment www.gavca.org.uk/funding_localnat.html

The GAVCA funding and resources page gives you access to searchable funding databases.

<p>Strategic objective (see p3 for details)</p>	<p>Priorities: To access the Action Cards go to: www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/CYPP</p>
<p>Support high quality universal services to prevent problems from developing or getting worse</p>	<p>Healthy Lifestyle Choices (Action Card 1)</p>
	<p>Outcome: Better healthy lifestyle choices and better health outcomes for parents, children and young people</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More children, young people and their families make healthy eating choices, towards reducing obesity and improving health outcomes • Children, young people and their families are engaging in more physical activity • Children and young people have the knowledge, skills and confidence to make healthier choices and access relevant services, in support of improved sexual health and a reduction in teenage pregnancies • Reduced use and impact of substance misuse • Parents, carers and families in areas of high deprivation are supported to make healthier lifestyle choices and access services
	<p>Personal Safety (Action Card 2)</p>
	<p>Outcome: More children and young people feel safer at school and in their community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supported CYP in feeling safer and ensure they know who to talk to if they have a concern • Developed a multi-agency steering group to lead and co-ordinate anti-bullying work in Gloucestershire • Reduced the number of emergency hospital admissions for young children aged 0-5 • Reduced the number of CYP under 16 who are killed or seriously injured on the roads in Gloucestershire • Greater awareness amongst practitioners of the impact of domestic abuse on CYP and an understanding of the framework on how to respond effectively
	<p>Readiness for Employment and Adult Life (Action Card 3)</p>
<p>Outcome: More children and young people in education, training and employment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce the number of young people not in education training or employment, more young people progressing from year 12 to 13 and access to high quality information advice and guidance in all settings • Whilst maintaining high levels of attainment for most, narrow the gap between attainment and progression of the most vulnerable young people (including young people with learning difficulties and/or disabilities) in relation to their peers • Improve the curriculum offer through the introduction of more diploma lines and also financial capability 	
<p>Child Poverty (Action Card 4)</p>	
<p>Outcome: Child Poverty is reduced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have produced a Partnership Child Poverty Strategy and implemented 1st year Action Plan • Have increased the impact of support provided to mitigate the effects on children of living in poverty • Continued to reduce inequalities in outcomes for CYP and families in poverty compared to others across the Every Child Matters outcomes • Ensured the most vulnerable families are identified and supported • Ensured parents have had access to good quality and affordable childcare 	

(Outcomes are where we want to be in three years time)

Strategic objective	<p>Priorities: To access the Action Cards go to: www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/CYPP</p>
Support high quality universal services to prevent problems from developing or getting worse	<p>Emotional Health and Wellbeing (Action Card 5)</p>
	<p>Outcome: Children and Young People with emotional wellbeing difficulties have been helped and supported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided more targeted emotional health and well being support in school settings • Increased early intervention targeted provision for CYP at risk of or experiencing mild to moderate emotional wellbeing difficulties • Enhanced more of the children’s workforce understanding of how to identify, support and access child mental health services • Have maintained access and shorter waits to specialist CAMHS • Expanded support for priority groups with mild to moderate emotional health and wellbeing issues • Enabled parents to gain early access to targeted support, including when they experience particular difficulties, e.g. attachment and emotional/ behavioural difficulties
	<p>Education Achievement for Vulnerable CYP is improved (Action Card 6)</p>
	<p>Outcome: The gap in attainment of vulnerable children compared to their peers is reduced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieved better educational attainment of vulnerable groups at all key stages • Have strengthened links between special and mainstream schools to improve opportunities for all • Have reduced exclusions for all children and young people • Have closed the gap between the lowest attaining schools and the rest by reducing the number of schools below the floor target • Have clearly identified vulnerable young people in Early Years settings and demonstrated appropriate, personalised intervention and support for their needs • Have improved attendance, monitored on a termly basis • Have embraced new technology to bridge the digital divide between disadvantaged pupils and their peers
	<p>Improved Safeguarding for CYP (Action Card 7)</p>
	<p>Outcome: Better Safeguarding for Children and Young People</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children in need are more clearly protected and their welfare promoted, through consistent use of thresholds for access to the support; better access to services through “Locality Hubs”, operational in each area; a more appropriate ratio of children and young people with a Child Protection Plan • All Children and Young People who have additional needs have access to a Common Assessment • Children are safer from risk or effects of witnessing domestic abuse, through improved identification of those in need of protection, implementation of targeted services and an increase in the number of families accessing support • Looked After Children have more security and stability by increasing the number and range of placements
<p>Improved outcomes for CYP with Learning Difficulties and/or Disabilities (Action card 8)</p>	
<p>Outcome: Improved outcomes for Children and Young People with Learning Difficulties and/or Disabilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health needs of disabled CYP have been met through timely response • Disabled CYP have accessed universal, targeted and specialist services • Full service offer for short breaks in place • Personal budgets are available for disabled CYP and their families • Disabled CYP have had a smoother transition from children services into adult services • Disabled CYP with complex needs have their needs met locally to improve outcomes • Consultation with CYP has been fully embedded in service planning and delivery 	

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