

Strategic Partnership Highlight & Exception Report



Strategic Partnership (Name of Partnership you are reporting on)	Early Years Partnership
CPP Thematic Group (i.e Economy, Environment or Social Affairs)	Social Affairs
CPP Outcome (please select – you can select more than one outcome) Please refer to attached table for more detail on each CPP Outcome.	<input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP01 – competitive and successful businesses <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP02 – sustainable economic assets <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP03 – vibrant towns that are centres of economic growth <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP04 – promoting our cultural, social and natural heritage <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP05 – Utilising our environment to create employment and prosperity <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP06 – Protecting our unique area <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP07 – services are planned and delivered based on local need <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP08 – overall health, wellbeing, independence and social inclusion are improved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP09 – people feel safe and secure <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP10 – our diverse culture is celebrated

<p>Activity Summary in Period (please state period you are reporting on)</p>	<p>(October - December 2011)</p> <p>The Early Years partnership group known as Getting it Right in the Early Years (GIREY) met on the 27th of October.</p> <p>Integrated Children’s Service Plan which was distributed to all members. The group established their role as a thematic group of Argyll and Bute’s Children related to Early years and the implementation of the Early years Framework</p> <p>The GIREY structure and terms of reference are attached.</p>
<p>Key Challenges & Actions to Address</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rights of Children & Young People Bill • Children’s Services Policy (Early Years and GIRFEC) • Children’s Services Bill (Aspirations and Options) <p>The above documents were discussed and responded to by the groups.</p> <p>An Early Years Change Fund is to be established over the next 4 years which will allow local partnerships to develop early years intervention preventative spend model of service delivery.</p> <p>There has been no clear guidance or agreement of what this will look like in real terms and the detail needs to be established with Scottish Government.</p> <p>The allocation and use of the resources has not been clearly laid out although there is indication that a</p>

	<p>new group will be formed to oversee the change fun (the early years task force). The GIREY group will be a very effective and useful group for taking forward in Argyll and Bute the local challenges for the Early years Challenge Fund.</p> <p>Initial work looking at early intervention and parenting strategy are being taken forward by the GIREY group.</p>
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