

**To: Improving Life Chances Group**

**On: 6 December 2018**

**Report by: Renfrewshire Council Chief Executive's Service**

**TITLE: Priorities and Indicators**

## **1. Summary**

- 1.1 The Improving Life Chances group has discussed and identified three initial priorities for action following a development workshop session. These priorities align with national policy direction and with indicators previously agreed by Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership Executive Group. The Improving Life Chances Group is now invited to confirm or amend its priorities and agree work to develop targets for indicators in relation to the priorities.

## **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Improving Life Chances Group:
- (a) Confirm the decision made in September 2018 to initially focus the initial work of the group on child poverty, skills and employability and addressing loneliness and isolation through physical activity and/or identify other priorities for action.
  - (b) Agree that one, three and ten year targets be developed for those indicators that are relevant to the priorities agreed by the Improving Life Chances Group.

## **3. Background**

- 3.1 The development workshop on Improving Life Chances considered the issues of what made group life chances, how the Improving Life Chances group should work and what the areas of focus should be. The following feedback summary was presented to the Improving Life Chances group in September:

### **Good Life Chances**

- Encouragement – stable support network
- Aspirations, options, path to fulfil potential
- Positive start in life and positive transitions
- Absence of “chaos”
- Support to overcome barriers where they exist (circumstantial or societal attitudes)
- Access to decent income level and good housing

### **What We Should Do As A Group**

- Pick two or three issues to work on – research and identify improvements
- Look at our systems – where can we improve the experience people get and the contribution to outcomes (do we make things easy or difficult for people)
- What can we do now to make things different in a year’s time

### **Areas Of Focus**

- Skills, employability and income – joining up activity to improve actions for groups with poorer outcomes
- New duties regarding child poverty
- Physical exercise – focusing on less active children, transition “drop off” points, staying mobile and connected in later life
- Enabling positive transitions – life changes, rehabilitation, recovery
- Addressing stigma and perceptions

3.2 The meeting of the Improving Life Chances Group in September agreed three initial priorities that the group should focus its work on during 2019/20. The three priorities initially agreed at the meeting were:

- Child poverty.
- Skills and employability – with emphasis on positive destinations for people with disabilities.
- Mental health issues caused by loneliness and isolation – with an emphasis on how physical activity/exercise can help address these issues.

3.3 The improving Life Chances group is invited to reaffirm these three priorities and/or identify other issues to be addressed

3.4 It was agreed at the September 2018 meeting that the Improving Life Chances Group should review the suite of indicators previously agreed by Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership Executive Group. These are attached at Appendix 1. The indicators within this suite that are relevant to the Improving Life Chances group are highlighted in bold. These map to the three initial priorities of the Improving Life Chances Group as follows:

<b>Child Poverty</b>	<b>Skills and Employability</b>	<b>Impact of Physical Activity In Addressing Mental Health Issues Caused By Loneliness and Isolation</b>
Specific child poverty indicator will also be included in the finalised Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership indicator framework.	<p>Employment rate 50+.</p> <p>Employment rate of disabled people.</p> <p>Participation of 16-19 year olds in education, training and employment.</p>	<p>Percentage of children in Primary 1 that are at risk of being obese or severely obese.</p> <p>Percentage of people participating in 150 minutes of moderate physical activity per week.</p> <p>It is also proposed that an indicator be developed following the outcome of the current Scottish Government consultation on Loneliness and Isolation</p>

- 3.5 Work will now take place in advance of the meeting of Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership in March 2019 to identify a set of one, three and ten year targets. For the indicators set out above, this will involve partners engaged in tackling child poverty, the Local Employability Partnership and partners engaged in promoting good mental health, promoting healthy weight and physical activity and addressing loneliness and isolation.
- 3.6 The three areas of work identified as initial priorities at the September 2018 Improving Life Chances group meeting align with national policy direction.
- 3.7 The focus on child poverty aligns with the requirements of the Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017 and the national Tackling Child Poverty Delivery Plan published in 2018 (see link below).

<https://www.gov.scot/binaries/content/documents/govscot/publications/publication/2018/03/child-chance-tackling-child-poverty-delivery-plan-2018-22/documents/00533606-pdf/00533606-pdf/govscot%3Adocument>

- 3.8 The focus on skills and employability aligns with No One Left Behind – Next Steps For The Integration and Alignment Of Employability Support in Scotland (see link below).

<https://www.gov.scot/binaries/content/documents/govscot/publications/publication/2018/03/one-left-behind-next-steps-integration-alignment-employability-support-scotland/documents/00533376-pdf/00533376-pdf/govscot%3Adocument>

- 3.9 The focus on mental health issues caused by loneliness and isolation and the mitigating benefits of physical activity align with emerging work on loneliness and isolation and the findings of the Children's Health and Wellbeing survey in Renfrewshire. The focus on this work also aligns with the Scottish Government's Active Scotland Delivery Plan and A Healthier Future – Scotland's Diet and Healthy Weight Delivery Plan (see link below).

<https://www.gov.scot/binaries/content/documents/govscot/publications/publication/2018/07/active-scotland-delivery-plan/documents/00537494-pdf/00537494-pdf/govscot%3Adocument>

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## Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership Indicators

### Our Renfrewshire Is Thriving

#### Indicators

1. Percentage of population that is of working age (16-64 years)
2. Overall employment rate
- 3. Employment rate 50+**
- 4. Employment rate of disabled people**
- 5. Participation of 16-19 year olds in education, training and employment**
6. Employment in the manufacturing sector
7. Employment in cultural and creative sectors
8. Visitor spend within Renfrewshire
9. Opportunities to see or hear something positive about Paisley and Renfrewshire
10. Number of VAT/PAYE registered businesses in Renfrewshire
11. Gross Value Added
12. Number of vacant ground floor commercial units in Paisley Town Centre
13. Median weekly earnings for full-time employees:
  - (a) living in Renfrewshire
  - (b) working in Renfrewshire
14. Affordable House Completions
15. Private House Completions

## Our Renfrewshire Is Well

### **Indicators**

1. (a) Number of people who assessed their health as good or very good  
(b) Number of people who assess their health as good or very good. Renfrewshire average compared against SIMD 1 (the most deprived datazone)
2. **Percentage of children in Primary 1 that are at risk of being obese or severely obese**
3. **Percentage of people participating in 150 minutes of moderate physical activity per week.**
4. The percentage of adults who smoke
5. Percentage of patients who started treatment within 18 weeks of referral to Psychological Therapy
6. Child and adolescent mental health - % of patients seen within 18 weeks
7. The gap between minimum and maximum male life expectancy in the communities of Renfrewshire
8. Suicide rate
9. Number of acute bed days lost to delayed discharges (including Adults With Incapacity)
10. Percentage of adults supported at home who agree that they are supported to live as independently as possible
11. Percentage of adults with intensive care needs receiving care at home
14. Percentage of homecare clients aged 65+ receiving personal care
15. Unintentional harm indicator to be developed.

**It is also proposed that an indicator regarding isolation and loneliness be developed following the outcome of the current Scottish Government consultation.**

### Indicators

1. Breastfeeding at 6-8 weeks in most deprived areas
2. Number of people living in 5% most deprived areas
3. Percentage of people rating their neighbourhood as a place to live:
  - (a) Very good
  - (b) Fairly good
4. Percentage point gap in % pupils achieving expected level for their stage in literacy between pupils living in 30% most deprived areas and people living in 70% least deprived areas (SIMD)
5. Percentage point gap in % pupils achieving expected level for their stage in numeracy between pupils living in 30% most deprived areas and people living in 70% least deprived areas (SIMD)
6. Average complementary tariff score (S4)
7. Average complementary tariff score (S5)
8. **Percentage of school leavers with positive destinations**
9. Cultural participation rate for people in the most 5% of deprived Communities
10. Estimated prevalence of problem drug use amongst 15-64 year olds (percentage of total population age 15-64)
11. Rate of alcohol-related hospital admissions per 1,000 population
12. Drug related hospital discharge rate per 100,000 population
13. Qualifications NVQ4 and above % of Population 16-64 years
14. Average time from household presenting themselves as homeless to completion of duty (number of weeks)
15. Number of people :
  - (a) registering to volunteer
  - (b) placed in volunteering positions

**A specific child poverty indicator will also be included in the finalised indicator framework.**

## **Our Renfrewshire Is Safe**

### **Indicators**

1. % of adults who agree with the statement “Renfrewshire is a safe place to live”
2. Number of incidents of Anti-Social Behaviour reported to Renfrewshire Council Community Safety Services
3. Number of complaints regarding youth disorder
4. Percentage of new unpaid work orders/requirement complete by the required date
5. Number of Home Fire Safety visits
6. Number of reported hate crime incidents
7. Number of reported domestic abuse incidents

## **Sustainable and Connected Indicators**

### **Indicators**

1. Percentage of people who agree with the statement “I can influence decisions”
2. CO2 emissions (tonnes) from public buildings
3. Percentage of people with home internet access