



South Dublin County Children and Young People's Services Committee

2021 Annual Report

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Foreword

As the Chairperson of the South Dublin County Children and Young People's Services Committee (CYPSC) and on behalf of CYPSC member organisations, I am delighted to introduce our second annual report. This report provides an overview on work achieved and progress with the implementation of our three-year Children and Young People's plan. During 2021 a number of new members joined South Dublin CYPSC and I would like to welcome them and acknowledge their input to the Committee. This includes Liam Casey, An Garda Síochána, Brenda Meighan Tallaght Hospital, Adrienne Mooney Department of Social Protection, Dan Russell HSE Health promotion and Hugh Doogan Archways. I would like to particularly acknowledge Aileen O Donoghue who retired last year as CEO of Archways. Aileen was one of our longest serving members and I would like to thank her for her active involvement and commitment to South Dublin CYPSC over her many years' service. South Dublin CYPSC have also strengthened its relationship with Comhairle na nÓg and members of Comhairle are now active participants on two of our sub-groups. Their input and insight have been particularly valuable.

I would like to thank all CYPSC members for their active involvement in various sub-groups, in particular, our CYPSC Co-ordinator Joe Rynn, the Vice Chair Colm Ward, the Chairs of each sub-group for their work over the past 12 months, and the National CYPSC Office for its support. This report set out progress made over the last year with the implementation of the plan. Work has commenced on a range of actions identified within the plan and a summary of work achieved by each of our sub-groups is outlined in this report. This includes work by each of our sub-groups and achievements during 2021. This has included the completion of a report into the under 18 addiction service in Clondalkin, approval of funding to support the rollout of the TLC Kidz Project, domestic violence awareness training, new interagency projects in both Killinarden and Jobstown, along with supports to family hubs within the county. The range of initiatives and reach of South Dublin CYPSC demonstrates our impact and is a testament to the importance of collaborative working.

2021 has been a challenging year for us all but particularly for families, children and young people and the impact of the current Covid-19 pandemic. In response to this a number of initiatives were put in place in order to further support and meet the needs of the children and young people. The Covid Word Campaign, a joint project developed between South Dublin CYPSC, Sligo Leitrim CYPSC, Foróige and the National CYPSC office, was a great example of us working collaboratively and ensuring the voice of young people was central to this work. This project provided young people with an opportunity to be directly involved in the development of a national campaign.

South Dublin CYPSC have also focused on delivering a range of initiatives which were successfully delivered by its partner agencies with funding from Healthy Ireland, an initiative of the Department of Health, and managed on its behalf by Pobal. I would like to acknowledge the support we have received from South Dublin County Partnership in managing the finances connected to this funding stream and to all the partner agencies for their work in delivering a wide range of projects. The funding from Healthy Ireland during 2021 has enabled us to put in place important measures which have supported the physical and mental wellbeing of children and young people. This includes new activities for young people through Foróige, online supports for caregivers of children with additional needs along with the delivery of a parents plus programme through the family resource centres

In conclusion, I look forward to working with my colleagues within South Dublin CYPSC during 2022 as we continue our important work. I strongly believe that by working together and in partnership, we can achieve better outcomes for our children and young people in South Dublin County. 2022 represents the third year in the implementation of our current three-year plan and CYPSC members will hold a formal review meeting to support and identify emerging priorities, as we consider the development of our plans post 2022. South Dublin CYPSC will aim to consolidate and build upon the positive work to date and cultivate leadership through 'joined up working' and 'joined up thinking' with all its members.

Audrey Warren
Chairperson South Dublin County CYPSC
Area Manager
Dublin South West, Kildare/West Wicklow.

1. Introduction

The purpose of the Children and Young People's Services Committee is to secure better outcomes for children and young people through more effective co-operation and collaboration by existing services and through interventions at local level.

This is achieved through enhanced planning, co-ordination, oversight of policy implementation and service provision locally. Children and Young People's Services Committee (CYPSC) act as the structure whereby services can work together in a systematic manner to achieve shared goals and which bridge national policy with local provision.

A well-functioning CYPSC will harness the collective strengths of its member agencies to ensure a planned, co-ordinated and concerted response to the needs of children and young people at local level. It is not the purpose of a CYPSC to displace existing structures of accountability which apply to member agencies. However, at local level, members will have the opportunity to test local implementation and to complement national planning by identifying opportunities for collaboration, reducing duplication of effort and ensuring that services are both flexible to locally identified needs and informed by identified national priorities.

CYPSC work towards the five national outcomes for children and young people in Ireland. These are that children and young people:

1. Are active and healthy, with positive physical and mental wellbeing.
2. Are achieving full potential in all areas of learning and development.
3. Are safe and protected from harm.
4. Have economic security and opportunity.
5. Are connected, respected and contributing to their world.



1.1 South Dublin County Children and Young People's Service Committee

The South Dublin Children and Young People's Services Committee (CYPSC) was established in 2007 by the then Minister of Children and Youth Affairs under the auspices of the County Development Board. Its membership was drawn from a number of key agencies.

Over the past number of years, the South Dublin CYPSC has worked to develop a space where agencies, engaged in service delivery to children and their families, are facilitated in their work to deliver integrated services and interventions for children in the South Dublin County Council administrative area.

South Dublin CYPSC has been actively engaged in the delivery of its current three-year plan which was officially launched in January 2020. New areas of priority were identified and included in the plan which members are now progressing. The South Dublin CYPSC has worked to ensure that all statutory, community and voluntary organisations involved in the delivery of services to children, young people and families across the region are aware of the existence of the local committee. Recognising the importance of their support, input and guidance, the senior managers of those organisations responsible for the delivery of services for children and families work to ensure this information and knowledge is shared with both CYPSC members and internally in their own organisations.

Name	Position	Organisation
Audrey Warren	Area Manager (Chairperson)	Tusla
Colm Ward	Directory of Community and Housing (Vice Chairperson)	South Dublin County Council
Joe Rynn	CYPSC Co-ordinator	Tusla
Raymond Blake	Inspector	An Garda Síochána
Liam Casey	Inspector	An Garda Síochána
Caroline Sheehan	PPFS Senior Manager	Tusla
Tara Deasy	Prevention and Intervention Officer	Clondalkin Drugs Task Force
Pauline Duffy	Principal	National Association of Principals
Suzanne Duggan	Lecturer	TU Tallaght
Margaret McQuillan	Head of Health and Wellbeing	HSE (stepped down end of 2021)
Daniel Russell	Health Promotion Officer	HSE (joined December 2021)
Maria Hayes	Principal Social Worker PPFS	Tusla
Karin Jonsson	Manager	Quarryvale Family Resource Centre
Fidelma Martin	Manager	South Dublin County Childcare Committee
Brenda Meighan	Head Medical Social Worker	Tallaght Hospital
Padraig McCabe	Principal	Irish Primary Principals' Network
Donna Doyle	Manager	Jigsaw
Roisin McLindon	Youth Officer	ETB
Vacant	Young People's Representative	Comhairle na nÓg
Andy Leeson	Area Manager	Foróige
Adrianne Mooney	Dept of Social Protection	Department of Social Protection
Hugh Doogan	CEO	Archways
Niamh Quinlivan	Speech and Language Therapy Manager	CAMHS
Carolyn Brennan	Public Health Nursing	HSE
Geraldine O'Hara	Senior Manager	Daughters of Charity
Joy O'Shaughnessy	Co-ordinator	South County Dublin Partnership
Justin Parkes	Primary Care Manager	HSE
Marian Quinn	CEO	Childhood Development Initiative
Emer Hyland	Regional Manager	Tusla Educational and Welfare Service
Kerri Smith	Assistant Director of Services	Barnardo's
Greg Tierney	Senior Manager	Crosscare

Table 1 Current Membership of South Dublin CYPSC

Local Governance

Tusla Child and Family Agency (Chair)		
Local Authority (Vice Chair)		
Health Service Executive Education and Training Board An Garda Síochána Child Adolescent Mental Health Services Local Authority	Community and Voluntary Organisations Social Inclusion Partners County Childcare Committee Young Person	Third Level Institution (Tallaght IT) Irish Primary Principals' Network National Association of Principals and Deputy Principals

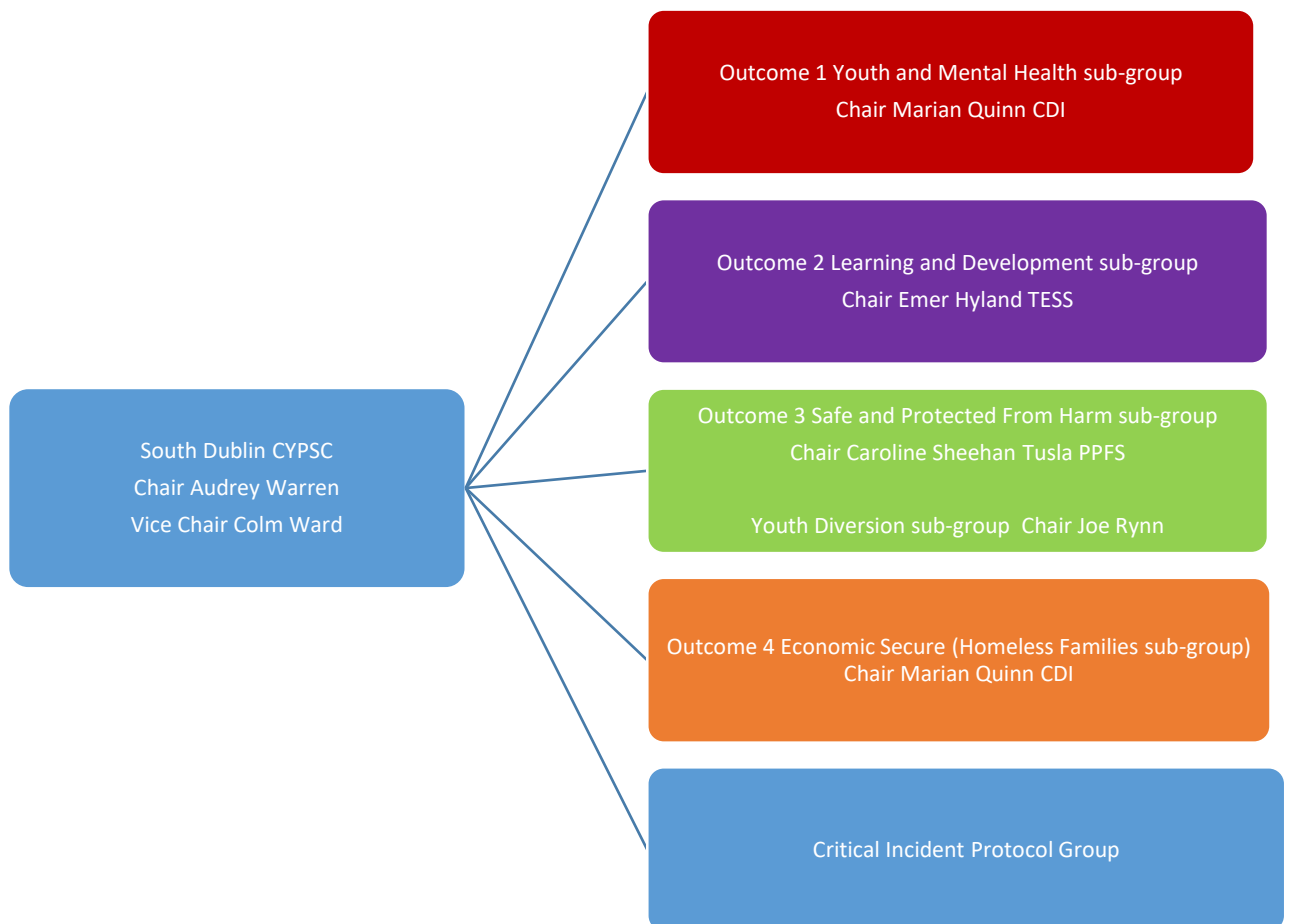


Figure 1 Current South Dublin CYPSC Structure

2. Achievements during 2021

South Dublin CYPSC has worked closely with stakeholders to understand the needs and gaps in service provision for children and young people. This has been supported through the establishment of the CYPSC structure and various working groups. This has ensured:

- Commitment of member organisations to progress the work of the CYPSC in the context of increasing demands, reduced resources and changing environment
- Strengthening of interagency relationships among member organisations
- Enhanced understanding among member organisations of the role and value of the CYPSC
- Development of the CYPSC as a forum for highlighting the needs, issues, gaps and successes

Key Achievements

South Dublin CYPSC during 2021 worked as a key structure in the County to plan and co-ordinate services for children and young people, aged 0 – 24 years.

Strategic Input	Children Young People's Plan Implementation	Additional Priority Areas to emerge during 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research report into the need for an under 18 addiction service in Clondalkin area completed • Funding approved by South Dublin CYPSC to support small scale research project into availability of school places in South Clondalkin • South Dublin CYPSC prepared a submission to the Department Children Integration, Equality, Disability & Youth on a review of the Childcare Act, 1991 • Discussion document on disability supports developed by South Dublin CYPSC • Representatives from Comhairle na nÓg sitting on two strategic committees South Dublin Youth Mental Health sub-group and Homeless sub-group • Strategic input provided by Tallaght Drugs Task Force to South Dublin CYPSC on its work and current issues within the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 annual work programme agreed and implemented • 5 sub-groups operating with new subgroup established for Youth Diversion Projects • Progressing actions under 5 national outcomes • 18 actions within the plan are on track and near completion • 10 actions progressing • BOBF Programme Funding approved to support 10 projects • Healthy Ireland €128,000 approved for 2019 to 2021 supporting 11 organisations • 4 projects approved funding through Community Resilience Funds • 915 children and young people have accessed supports through various programmes • 480 parents have accessed supports through various programmes • Dublin CYPSC Directory web directory received 167,821 visits during 2021 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Dublin CYPSC Information Hub provided central information point for members • South Dublin CYPSC provided members with a forum to plan and respond to emerging needs and funding for specific initiatives • South Dublin CYPSC and partners developed the Covid Word Campaign. The campaign received over 2 million hits • Two interagency committees established by Tallaght Drugs Task Force focusing on the needs of Killinarden and Jobstown • South Dublin CYPSC established a disability sub-group to consider current gaps in provision

Figure 2: Summary of key achievements

2.1 Summary of Outputs for 2021

During 2021 South Dublin CYPSC met on **seven occasions** with sub-groups meeting collectively **27 times**.



Figure 3: South Dublin CYPSC Meetings during 2021.

2021 South Dublin CYPSC BOBF Programme Funding Commitments. Full project details are provided further in the report.

Description	Funding Level	Output
South Dublin CYPSC Annual Report	€919	2020 annual report completed and published
Clondalkin Under 18 Addiction Service	€809	Final Report completed and published. Report endorsed by South Dublin CYPSC
Dublin CYPSC online directory www.dublincypscdirectory.ie	€3629	Website licencing cost and GDPR compliance work. The site received 167,821 visitors during 2021
Domestic Violence Awareness Online Training	€1,200	Two online programmes provided to CYPSC member staff.
Research Project into the availability of school places in the South Clondalkin area	€4,000	1 research report
Clondalkin Cares Food Bank (Quarryvale FRC)	€3,000	Funding to support Clondalkin Cares Food bank to alleviate food poverty
Killinarden Employability Support Programme	€1,050	Funding to support new employability support programme for 11 young people
Respond Housing	€3,000	Provision of summer activities for 40 children and young people in Springfield and Fir House
South Dublin Childcare Committee	€2,000	1 online training event to encourage practitioners to use the outdoor play space as optional learning environment and encourage greater use of this space
Initiative with family hubs and Dublin Zoo	€2,190	55 families and their children provided with day passes to Dublin Zoo
Quarryvale FRC	€2,500	Supports for 240 children and families during the Christmas period
CDI Tallaght Christmas project	€3,000	Funding to support needs of families within family hubs
Total Funding	€27,297	

Table 2: 2021 BOBF Programme funding commitments.

South Dublin CYPSC has been approved funding for a two-year period from June 2019 to June 2021 to support a range of initiatives under its Healthy Ireland funding. In light of various restrictions which took place due to the pandemic, the completion dates for all projects have been extended until March 2022. A summary of reported outputs on the projects to date is listed in table 3:

Summary	Total Budget	Output
Action 1 Physical Health	€65,000	
Kickboxing Programme South Dublin County Partnership		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Delivery of 6-week KICK Adults programme 28 adults participated in KICK Adults programme Sept 2019-March 2020) •Delivery of 12-week KICK Leaders programme 6 young people completed programme Sept-Dec 2019) •Delivery of KICK Elite programme 30 young people participated in weekly sessions Sept-Mar 2020) •Delivery of new KICK 101 programme 27 young people participated in KICK 101 programme between June-Dec 2019) •KICK Adults programme - 18 adults participated Sept 2020-July 2021 •Series of 25 videos created for KICK participants and uploaded to social media accounts to access when required •24 young people participated in Mini KICKs mid-term camp in February 2021 •5 young people participated in Mini KICKs mid-term camp in April 2021 •10 young people signed up to participate in KICK Summer camp in July 2021 •30 young people signed up to participate in Mini KICKs Summer Camp in July 2021
Kayaking Programme Foróige		<p>503 young people participated in the programme for the period June 2019 to date</p> <p>Due to pandemic additional supports were delivered as restrictions prevented some kayaking activity from taking place. This includes a gardening programme</p> <p>New Action Approval was provided to allow funding to purchase a number of bikes. 43 young people across 12 groups utilised the bikes along the new seafront cycle route in 2021</p>
Leisure Centre Vouchers Homeless Families		112 families provided with access to local Leisure Centres

		In 2021 funding was also used to support families living with the family hubs through the purchase of day passes to Dublin Zoo
Action 2 - Mental Health	€13,000	
Tallaght Travellers Community Development		6 workshops to be delivered
Clondalkin Travellers Community Development Project		4 workshops to be delivered
Autism Supports – Dublin Dún Laoghaire ETB		One online webinar developed by ASIAM and distributed to participants
NEW Archways Clondalkin - Care givers Programme. Supporting caregivers who are supporting a child with a diagnosis or awaiting a diagnosis		Approval was provided to support an additional initiative developed by Archways. This programme provided 7 online workshops for caregivers and two workshops to educators.
Action 3 Sexual Health	€10,000	
YMCA Training supports		12 youth workers completed training on the theme of relationships and sexuality training 4 day training programme on Neuro Diversity, identity and related issues for young people
Real 4 U Programme two-day training course on a relationships and sexuality education programme manual from Foróige		28 participants completed training in early in early 2021. Evaluation completed with participants after the training, participants found the programme very beneficial
Action 4	€8,000	
Clondalkin Drugs Task Force		1 video developed in relation to health-related issues around smoking and cannabis use
Community Mental Health Budget	€32,000	
Archways Clondalkin - Information workshops for young people and parents on managing anxiety		A target of 240 participants including teachers, parents and young people. To date 70 young people, 24 teachers and 115 parents have availed of the programme
Parents Plus Programme - Funding be used to support parents access this programme, the budget will support 30 parents to access the programme		St Kevin's FRC & Quarryvale FRC. 6 facilitators trained the delivery of the parents plus separated programme. 40 parents to avail of supports from the programme

CDI Tallaght Supports to homeless families		CDI Tallaght distributed 123 health and wellbeing packs to families living in the hubs, this included 300 children ranging from infants to teenagers
Mental Health First Aid Training		This programme has been specifically targeted at front line staff working in Homeless Services. Programme delivered in February 2021

Table 3: Healthy Ireland Funded Projects.

Minding the Mood Campaign

The Government Plan for Living with Covid-19: Resilience and Recovery 2020-2021 highlighted the important role that individual and community resilience will play in contributing to the ongoing response to Covid-19. Additional funding was allocated to South Dublin CYPSC to support the following projects.

Summary	Total Budget	Output
South Dublin County Partnership-Support Programme for 16-24 year olds	€7,000	6 young people accessed support from the programme through a series of 8 weekly supports
Foróige - Development of a Resource library	€1,250	1 resource library established
Foróige - Deliver Talk & Drawing programme designed for anyone working with children, young people	€1,125	5 staff trained in the use of the programme
YMCA - funding to establish a new choir in the West/ South Dublin area for 12 to 16 year old	€4,644	1 online youth choir established with an initial membership of 7 young people. The choir has continued with new members being recruited
CDI Tallaght - Host a range of programmes during an online week of activities (Chit Chat, Literacy and Restorative Practices)	€4,500	CDI Tallaght provided a series of 15 workshops during a week-long programme for children and parents. 154 children participated in creative activities and 254 parents attended parental webinars
Total Budget	€18,519	

Table 4 Community Resilience Funded Projects



3. South Dublin CYPSC Covid-19 Supports

As in 2020, the Covid-19 pandemic has impacted directly on all agencies' work and priorities during the course of 2021. As restrictions eased, frontline agencies were able to commence some face-to-face supports but the changing public health environment impacted on the type and scale of supports which could be provided. This required CYPSC members to provide their services differently, and included organisations working remotely providing services through new channels such as online and other platforms. In order to respond to the emerging needs of children, young people and their families, this required continued innovation and flexibility from all organisations.

South Dublin CYPSC continued to meet during the course of 2021 on a remote basis via Microsoft Teams. This ensured members continued to focus on emerging needs arising from the pandemic along with work on the implementation of the three-year Children and Young People's plan. All sub-groups met remotely during the course of 2021

3.1 Key Issues

CYPSC members have continued to identify emerging issues within the County, with a particular focus on the impacts of the restrictive measures arising from Covid-19. During the course of 2021, Ireland moved to a medium-term approach to managing risk and repairing the damage that Covid-19 has inflicted on society. A framework for Restrictive Measures has been developed for help us to go about our daily lives as much as possible, while managing the behaviour of the virus. South Dublin CYPSC members have sought to respond to emerging issues and concerns for families. The range of issues which have been considered by South Dublin CYPSC and its sub-groups have included the following.

3.2 Mental health supports and access to services

The impact from the pandemic will take a considerable time to measure but evidence is emerging of its impact for some young people. Research by the CSO highlighted the direct impact on young people's mental health and wellbeing: one in three young adults felt downhearted or depressed "at least some of the time" (CSO July 2020). Jigsaw South West have reported an increased number of referrals during 2021 with a wait time of 20 weeks for Dublin South West. The year-on-year pattern is one where wait times are longer (reflecting higher demand/referral numbers) with Jigsaw reporting that referral numbers across the Jigsaw network in September were 48% higher than in August.



In response to this South Dublin CYPSC and Sligo Leitrim CYPSC developed a proposal with the support of the National CYPSC office which would support a campaign, developed by young people and targeted at young people. Funding of €27,000 was approved to support this initiative. Foróige in South Dublin and Foróige Sligo Leitrim with the support from their national communications team agreed to act as lead partners to develop this project.

The aim to develop and deliver a youth-specific Covid risk reduction campaign designed by young people for young people.

Objectives

- Support young people's physical and mental health and wellbeing during a time of public health restrictions
- Provide clarity for young people using positive messaging and an emphasis on what young people CAN do

In developing this campaign young people were centrally involved in campaign design, look/feel and creative direction. The campaign aesthetic was accessible, appealing and creatively aimed towards young people. The creative agency ThinkHouse were appointed by Foróige to support with the design and development of the campaign. In collaboration with young people, the campaign was created using their words. Inspirational quotes were created by the agency and videos created to demonstrate each phrase.

A number of creative assets were created for each social platform - including Instagram/Facebook, Instagram Stories, TikTok and Twitter. The campaign ran for a five-week period and was supported nationally by all 27 CYPSCs.

Campaign Week	Asset Name	TikTok Impressions	TikTok Clicks	Facebook / Instagram Impressions	Twitter Impressions
Week 1	Hero Asset	364,967	1473	60,176	30,446
Week 1	Be kind to yourself	212,784	825	158,622	1,778
Week 2	We all get nervous	286,696	1132	141,688	3,190
Week 3	Bí cinneálta leat féin	299,312	1183	177,542	3,422
Week 4	You can't control everything	287,388	1244	147,990	2,910
Week 5	Talk about your fears	519,867	1593	156,583	2,800
Total		1,971,014	7,450	842,601	44,546

Date range: Feb 24 - May 13, 2021

Table 5 Foróige analytics and reach of the campaign through its social media channels

<p>"I really like the campaign, the colours are great and the message is straight forward."</p> <p>"Really love the colours"</p> <p>"It talks to me as a teenager - not using words I don't understand."</p> <p>"Funky, quirky, colourful."</p> <p>"The digital writing is really cool here. The music really catches your attention."</p> <p>"Obviously teen focused. Strong theme throughout i.e. focusing on positivity, taking it easy, reassuring people that nobody knows what's happening. The clips/images are quick which means that people will watch them/won't lose interest or skip on. Images change at a readable pace."</p>	<p>"You can really tell young people had their input."</p> <p>"The campaign messages are brief and get right to the message. Giving direction and the msg 'you are not alone'. They are relatable, it looks like it wasn't just made by a corporation. It shows a relation between everyone."</p> <p>"The messages sound as though they have come from a young person."</p> <p>"I can wait to share the campaign with friends and on my Instagram and TikTok definitely!"</p> <p>"Great to have a small voice in something so big that is going to reach thousands of other young people. I'm very glad to have been a part of it. Thanks for the opportunity!"</p>
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Table 6 Feedback from young people on the campaign

3.3 Education

-The full reopening of both primary and secondary schools was welcomed by CYPSC members, as the direct impact of school closures and the uncertainty around the Leaving Certificate with increased anxiety for young people was one of concern.

- The impact for some children and young people and the absence from direct contact with schools and remote teaching will require careful monitoring and a co-ordinated response from all agencies. Anecdotal evidence has indicated a certain cohort of young people will be impacted by school closures; this is particularly the case for children and young people where attendance may have been an issue or for young people who were demonstrating school avoidance.

-Children with additional needs - the impact of the restrictive measures for children with additional needs and their families was particularly pronounced. This included children suffering from a lack of routine, with disruptions to their daily routines having a significant negative impact for them. Children's behaviour and social skills regressed during the period of social isolation and it negatively impacted their mental health.

A graphic with the text "Back to School" in a blue, stylized font. The text is arranged with "Back to" on the top line and "School" on the bottom line, both with a slight reflection effect underneath.

South Dublin CYPSC, through its Learning and Development sub-group and the Inbetweeners group which is chaired by CDI Tallaght, has examined what additional supports can be developed to support and respond to these issues. This includes:

- Examining resources developed in neighbouring CYPSC areas and building on the resources to support teachers and parents respond to school avoidance.
- The Inbetweeners group is a multi-agency group which is focusing on range of issues connected to mental health needs for some young people, in particular young people who are experiencing anxiety related symptoms. The Inbetweeners group is now in the process of developing a bespoke model of support and intervention for young people demonstrating school refusal/inability to engage with associated mental health issues.



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3.4 Domestic Violence

The direct impacts on children and young people who have experienced domestic violence and the reported increase in the number of referrals made during the course of the lockdown has also been considered by South Dublin CYPSC members. Most recent figures reported by Women's Annual Impact Report 2020 highlights a 43% increase in contacts with Women's Aid Services last year compared to 2019. South Dublin CYPSC through its Safe and Protected From Harm sub-group examined what additional supports could be provided through local agency working, this includes what additional supports could be provided for children who have experienced abuse in the context of domestic violence.

South Dublin CYPSC and Dublin City South CYPSC established a joint working group to develop a joint proposal for funding to deliver the TLC Kidz Project. A proposal was submitted to Tusla National Domestic Sexual and Gender based violence office for funding to support the employment of two-part time TLC Kidz coordinators in both South Dublin and Dublin City south CYPSC areas.

TLC Kidz is a community-coordinated response for children and mothers in recovery from domestic violence and abuse.

- At its core TLC Kidz is a 12-week group-work programme, with mothers and children attending separate groups running concurrently. The Mothers Group help mothers understand how the abuse has affected their child and how to help their recovery. The Children's Group supports children to move beyond what has happened in a safe and therapeutic way.
- TLC Kidz will be delivered by a dedicated Project Coordinator working closely with community partners (Tusla, Gardaí, women's refuges) via the South Dublin CYPSC and Dublin City South CYPSC.

Funding has now been secured to support the implementation of this initiative in the two CYPSC areas.

3.5 Family supports

Members of South Dublin CYPSC Safe and Protected from Harm sub-group held a specific meeting in 2021 to discuss the direct impacts of the pandemic on services and the families they support. A short presentation was prepared in early 2021 to support members examine the impacts of Covid. This includes:

- The impact of the restrictive measures on routines for children, in particular, due to lack of school.

- Young children experienced additional anxiety as supports which vulnerable families were receiving were not long available in person. A number of responses were developed to support families during the restrictive measures, examples of work delivered included:

- Public Health Nurses kept in contact with families and where needed 15 minute visits were completed with families. They also engaged with families through the completion of age and stages questionnaire and providing follow up supports to parents.

- Services were checking in with families remotely, highlighting the importance of checking and speaking with the children even if by phone to ensure links and relationships were maintained.

- The lack of routines for children.

- The lack of access to supports within the community as many facilities were closed.

- Services worked very diligently to retain links with families, through the use of various platforms whether by phone, email or social media. However, some families had disconnected and it will be a challenge to reengage with them post restrictions.

- Examples of initiatives developed by services included Lego clubs, continuation of Meitheals, food support programmes and various parent supports via Zoom along with other weekly activities for children using technology.



Clondalkin Cares Food Bank

This group comprises a range of community organisations working in the Clondalkin area, the members of the group are also active members of the North Clondalkin Child and Family Support Network. The Clondalkin Cares Food Bank initiative is led by Quarryvale FRC and has provided important supports to families across North Clondalkin to address food poverty. The project has grown as demands for supports increased during the pandemic. With the resulting demand, a proposal was developed by the group to be included within the Fund of European Aid to the Most Deprived (FEAD) programme. This programme is co-funded by the European Union and the Irish Government. An application was submitted by this group to be included within the programme which was successful. South Dublin CYPSC through its BOBF programme funding has supported the food bank in both 2020 and 2021.

The Minister of State at the Departments of Rural and Community Development Joe O'Brien, with special responsibility for community development and charities, announced his intention to establish a Working Group to tackle the issue of food poverty in accordance with the commitment on food poverty in the roadmap. This group comprises of senior officials from various Government departments and representatives from relevant NGOs. In addition, Minister O'Brien invited Tusla to provide input on its experience of food poverty and its impact on the most vulnerable families. As part of this input South Dublin CYPSC provided input to Tusla colleagues on emerging issues and supports being provided by voluntary organisations within South Dublin County.

4. South Dublin CYPSC Children and Young People's 2020 - Three Year Plan



Katherine Zappone T.D., Minister for Children and Youth Affairs launching the three year plan.

The official launch of the South Dublin CYPSC Children and Young People's Plan took place on the 17th January 2020. South Dublin CYPSC has been focused on delivering the actions and recommendations identified within the three-year plan. This has been achieved through the development of yearly implementation plan. This report is the South Dublin CYPSC's second annual report, and outlines progress with the implementation of the plan. 2022 represents the third year of the Children and Young People's Plan implementation and it is anticipated work will commence in 2023 to develop a new three-year plan. This report outlines work and achievements through year two of the current plans' implementation.



Figure 4: South Dublin CYPSC sub-groups

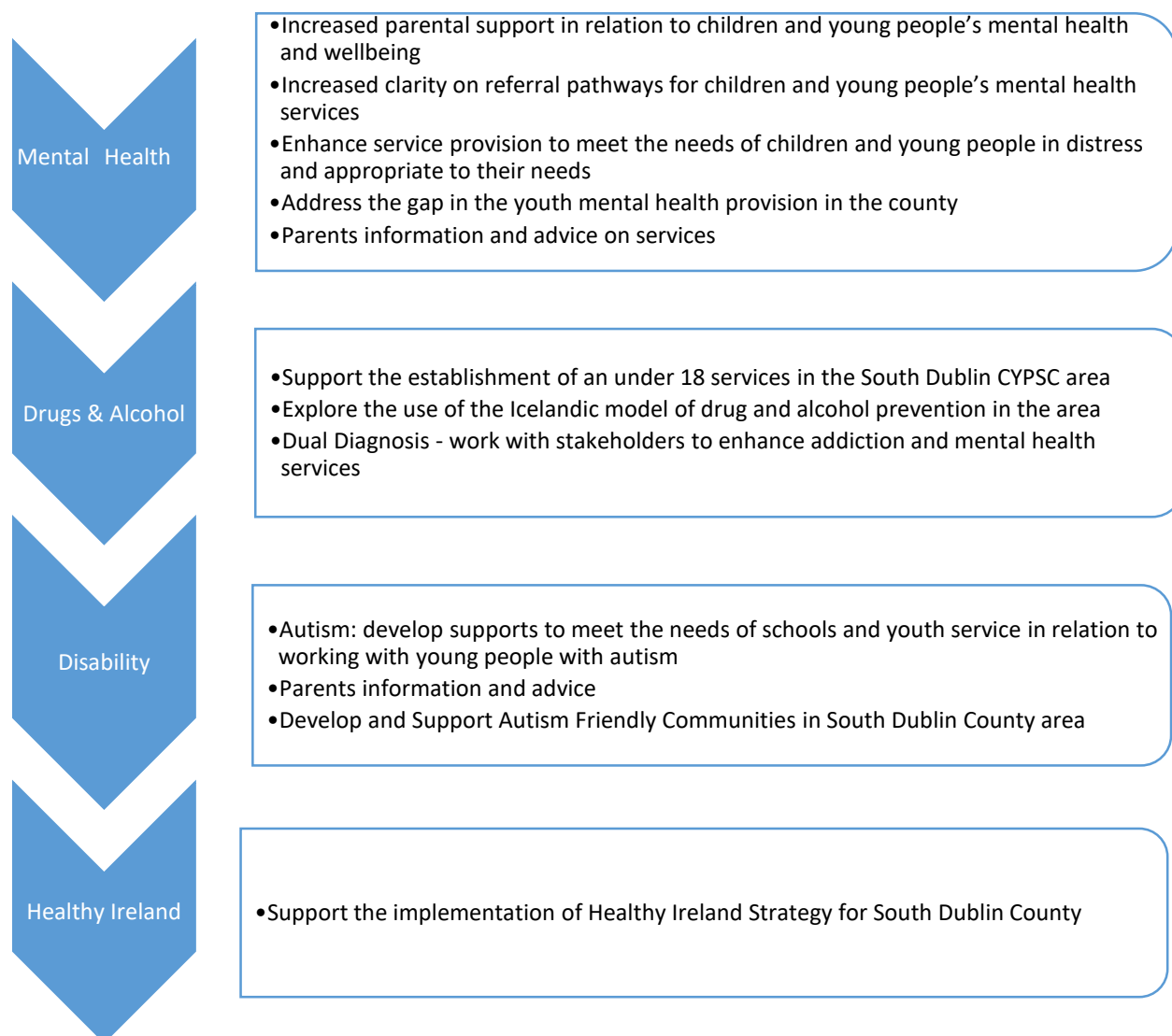
Through the implementation of this plan, South Dublin CYPSC has worked to address and respond to the identified needs. South Dublin CYPSC is committed to proactively working and engaging with children and young people and working collaboratively with parents and carers in all of its actions. South Dublin CYPSC through implementing its programme of work has sought to demonstrate a measurable impact in the lives of children and young people. This has been further supported through South Dublin CYPSC's key strength, the collaborative nature of its work and the openness of agencies and individual staff to adopt this approach. This has assisted South Dublin CYPSC to further develop and support the co-ordination and planning of efficient and effective services for children and young people.

Following the launch of the plan, South Dublin CYPSC, through its various sub-groups, commenced work on the implementation of the three-year plan. This included the establishment of various sub-groups to progress actions under the five national outcomes. The next section of the report provides a short overview on the work of each sub-group, this includes priorities within the three-year plan and progress achieved to date.

4.1 Outcome 1: Active and Healthy sub-group

Youth Mental Health sub-group Membership: Joe Rynn (CYPSC Co-ordinator), Marian Quinn (CDI) Chairperson, Andy Leeson (Foróige), Siorcha O'Toole (NEPS), Ciara O'Keeffe (CAMHS), Carla Jakes (Clondalkin Travellers Development Group), Jennifer Clancy (HSE Suicide Resource Officer), Andy Lane (South Dublin County Council), Tara Deacy (Clondalkin DATF), John Owens (Jigsaw), Lisa Betts (Crosscare).

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This sub-group is currently Chaired by Marian Quinn CDI. During 2021 Carla Jakes Clondalkin Travellers Development Group and Jennifer Clancy (HSE Suicide Resource Officer), left the working group taking up new positions. This sub-group met remotely **seven times** during 2021.

Progress Achieved During 2021

Mental Health Supports - A priority within the plan was to establish what are the unmet needs in current service provision for children and young people with higher needs and with dual diagnosis. CDI Tallaght launched the 'Inbetweeners Report' which identified some of the challenges experienced by young people in accessing services. This Inbetweeners group has continued to meet during 2021 and are now in the process of developing a bespoke model of support and intervention for young people demonstrating school refusal/inability to engage with associated mental health issues.

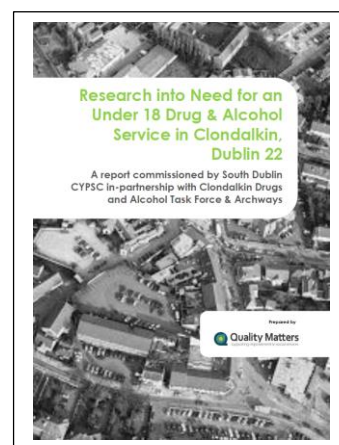
Increased clarity on referral pathways navigating the system and accessing services - This has included the development of more direct information resources to assist parents to navigate and access the various supports. This includes voluntary services, HSE based services etc. In order to further enhance access Connecting for Life with the support of HSE Resource Officers for Suicide Prevention are developing an information resource on services across the CHO Area 7 covering, Kildare, South Dublin and Wicklow. This is a joint project with the three CYPSC operating in the area. This resource will provide details on key supports available, referral pathways to access services. Work has commenced on this project, details of these services is currently being compiled with a view to publishing the resource in the first quarter of 2022.

Under 18 Addiction Service Clondalkin Area - Funding was approved by South Dublin CYPSC to complete a study into the need for a under 18 addiction service in the Clondalkin area. A working group established in 2020 worked with Quality Matters to progress the completion of this report. This group included Archways, Clondalkin Drugs Task Force and the CYPSC Co-ordinator. A final report was completed and presented to South Dublin CYPSC, the report and its recommendations were endorsed by South Dublin CYPSC. Recommendations put forward within the report include:

a. Agree a review for monitoring implementation on a six-month basis.
b. Recruitment of an Under 18 Coordinator for the CDATF area. Serve as a single point-of-contact for young people with substance drug and alcohol difficulties and their families. The Co-ordinator would be responsible for assessments/screenings, offering clear information about service options and interventions available in Clondalkin, and referral to appropriate service provider.

c. Improve service provision through formal collaboration. This included the establishment of a formal interagency group to coordinate service provision and enhance care pathways for young people and families.

d. Ongoing monitoring of gaps and barriers in service provision. Clondalkin DATF and Interagency Advisory Group will monitor and collect data on the needs of young people and families on an ongoing basis. Data will help with assessing coordination among services and if gaps in service provision are being closed. Clondalkin Drugs Task Force have now begun the work of progressing the recommendations within the report.



Explore the use of Icelandic Model - Members of the Youth Mental Health sub-group met with Emmet Major, Galway Roscommon ETB, to discuss work under way in Galway and use of the Icelandic Preventative Model.



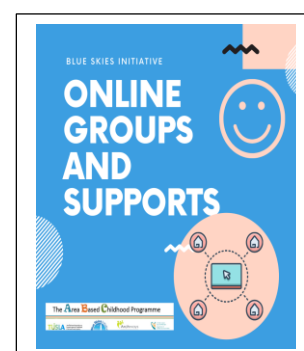
There are currently three Planet Youth pilot sites operating in Ireland. They are Planet Youth Galway, Planet Youth Mayo, and Planet Youth Roscommon.

These five-year pilot programmes have been initiated and developed by the Western Region Drug and Alcohol Task Force (WRDATF) with the support of partner agencies in the region. Local steering committees have been established for each of the pilot sites and these consist of funders and strategic partners, all of whom are committed to the development of Planet Youth in the region.

Planet Youth is an international evidence-based primary prevention model, developed by the Icelandic Centre for Social Research and Analysis (ICSRA) at Reykjavik University. It was initially developed in order to reduce substance use rates amongst young people. The model uses a whole population approach and offers the opportunity to improve health and life outcomes for young people in many areas. It works by directly targeting the risk and protective factors that determine their substance use behaviours and enhancing the social environment they are growing up in. The three pillars of the model are:

1. Evidence-based practice
2. Using a community-based approach
3. Creating and maintaining a dialogue between research, policy and practice

Autism and Disability Supports – Additional funding was approved under South Dublin CYPSC Healthy Ireland budget to support Archways to provide a series of online workshops for care givers. This new initiative supported the Blueskies programme to create an online supported space where caregivers of children with complex needs can connect with each other. This provides caregivers who are supporting a child with a diagnosis or awaiting a diagnosis, a safe place to come together. This provides a space for caregivers to offer assistance to each other and to share tips and suggestions as to what might help with getting through the ups and downs of caring for someone with complex needs. This group is facilitated by a behavioural specialist.



Progressing Disability Service - Members of the youth mental health sub-group also met with local Children Disability Network Team Co-ordinators to further support the new PDS programme and brief local staff on this service and supports available including the development of links with local CDNT Co-ordinators



Figure 6: Children Disability Network Team Co-ordinators

The Progressing Disability Services for Children and Young People Programme (PDS) is a significant change programme for the provision of therapeutic services for children from birth to 18 years of age. It is being rolled out nationally by the HSE in partnership with its funded voluntary organisations. PDS will:

- Provide a clear pathway and fairer access to services for all children with a disability.
- Make the best use of available resources for the benefit of children and their families.
- Ensure effective teams working in partnership with families and with education staff to support children with a disability to reach their full potential.



A Strategy for a Healthy South Dublin

This joint strategy developed by South Dublin County Local Development Committee and South Dublin County Children's and Young People's Services Committee sets out an ambitious plan to support the future health and wellbeing of us all within the County. The importance of prevention and keeping people healthier for longer is critical to this and we all can play a major part in supporting and improving our long-term health. This strategy has been developed with support from Healthy Ireland. The strategy is ambitious in its reach and identifies 38 actions covering areas such as physical health, mental wellbeing, sexual health, alcohol and tobacco.

South Dublin CYPSC has focused on the implementation of actions within this plan, where it has been identified as the lead group. **Fifteen actions** within the Strategy for a Healthy County Dublin are to be progressed through South Dublin CYPSC. South Dublin CYPSC has been in a position to progress some of these actions through its funding allocation from Healthy Ireland.

During 2021, South Dublin CYPSC, through funding from Healthy Ireland, has supported a number of specific actions which were identified within this strategy. **Total funding of €128,050 covering** a two-year period has been approved to South Dublin CYPSC to support these initiatives. In addition, South Dublin CYPSC finalised its submission for funding under the "Keep Well" campaign.

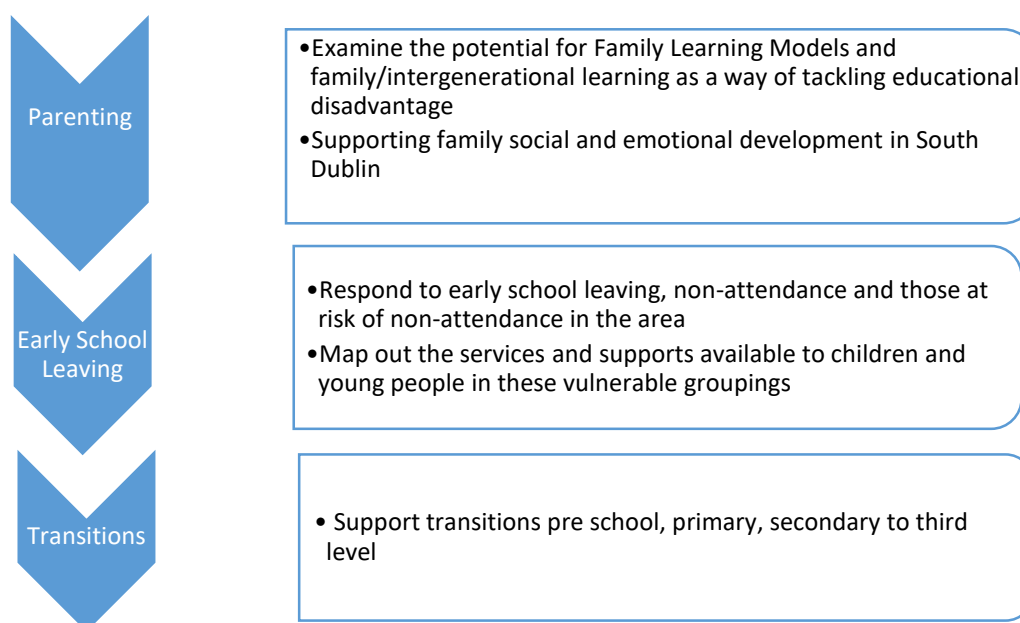
Each CYPSC received funding so that local services dedicated to children, young people and families, in communities throughout Ireland can enhance or augment their programming and support positive mental health. Additional funding of **€18,519** will be made available to South Dublin CYPSC for initiatives which were completed by April 2021.

South Dublin CYPSC is a member of South Dublin Healthy County network. Accredited to the World Health Organisation, the National Healthy Cities and Counties of Ireland Network was launched in November 2016. The aim of the National Healthy Cities and Counties of Ireland Network is to develop a structure to support local authorities to implement the Healthy Ireland Framework. The network currently has 17 members with South Dublin County Council leading in the South Dublin area.

4.2 Outcome 2: Achieving in all areas of learning and development

Membership Learning & Development sub-group: Joe Rynn (South Dublin CYPSC Co-ordinator), Jonathan Doyle (Citywise), Marianne Casey (South Dublin Childcare Committee), Anne Genockey (An Cosán), Grainne Boucher (South Dublin Co Partnership), Emer Hyland TESS (Chair), Roisin McLindon (ETB), Noleen O'Brien (Foróige), Tom Crean (School Completion), Jackie James (School Completion).

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This group met for the first time in early November 2020 with its first meeting chaired by Glen Perry, Tusla Education Support Service, Emer Hyland TESS is now chairing the sub-group. This new group has specific responsibility for supporting the implementation of actions identified under Outcome 2 of the three-year strategy. During 2021 members of the sub-group met five times, actions progressed during 2021 included:

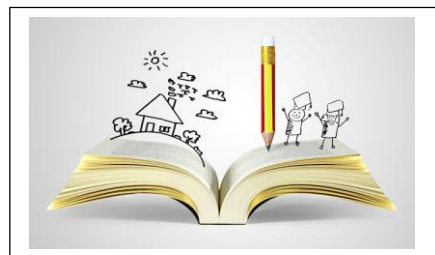
Transition Supports and Early Years Participation Rates - The positive influence of quality early childhood care and education (ECCE) on a child's outcomes is well documented, benefitting children's social, emotional, physical and educational development. Participation in ECEC is particularly beneficial for children from disadvantaged backgrounds. In order to further encourage uptake of the ECCE programme, members examined how to promote and encourage uptake. In response to this South Dublin County Childcare Committee developed a short online presentation which was circulated to specific groups to support and encourage uptake. This included Clondalkin Travellers Development Group & Tallaght Travellers Development Group.



School Avoidance - Members of the sub-group examined resources developed in neighbouring CYPSC areas, particularly Wicklow CYPSC who have developed a school refusal pack. A meeting took place with school completion in Wicklow to discuss and shared their learning from this pack with sub-group members. This meeting provided members with a strong understanding of the resources developed and learning which could be applied in its use. The need for additional resources to support schools to

respond to this issue has been identified as a priority area. This will include supports to navigate the system and knowing who to contact and when.

Early School Leaving Supports for young people 16+ - The needs of young people, particularly once they reach 16 were examined by the sub-group and what education pathways are in place for them or supports to access these should they leave school early.



The sub-group has agreed a series of priorities which it intends on progressing during 2022 to respond to these issues. This includes:

School Avoidance - The development of school avoidance pack for schools in South Dublin County.

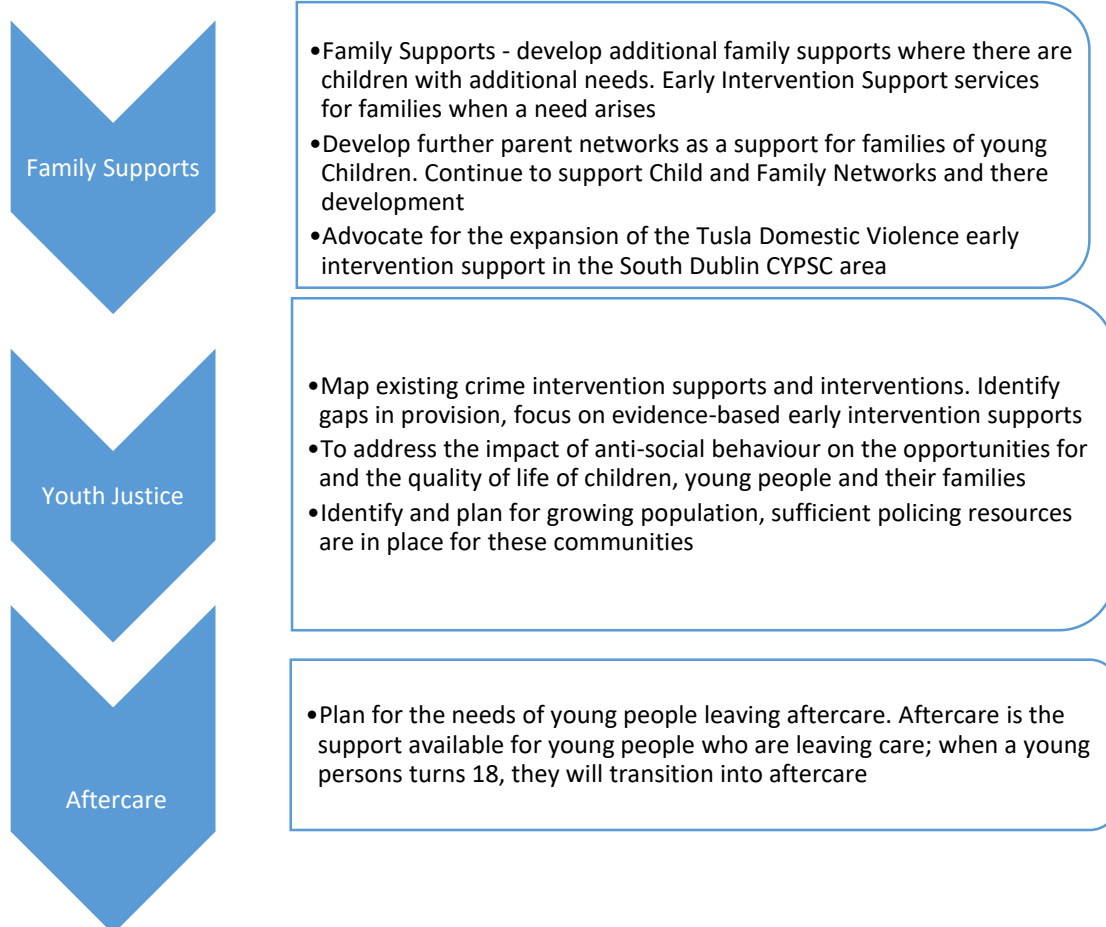
Apprenticeships - The development of an information campaign within schools highlighting the role of CAO within apprenticeships targeting 5th and 6th year students. In addition, an information campaign focusing on 2nd year students outlining the options and qualifications needed to follow certain pathways i.e. apprenticeships.

Early School Leaving - The development of greater information which is accessible to schools and young people outlining the type of supports which are available should a young person decide to leave school early and how to access them. A short and accessible guide will be developed with this information, along with details on challenges a young person would face arising from early school leaving. The resource will be developed in consultation with some young people. The development of specific employability supports for young people will also be examined.

4.3 Outcome 3: Safe and Protected from Harm

Membership: Joe Rynn (South Dublin CYPSC Co-ordinator), Caroline Sheehan (Tusla Senior Manager PPFS Manager and Chair), Geraldine O'Hara (Daughters of Charity), Joy O'Shaughnessy (South Dublin County Partnership), Kirsten Byrne (Tusla DVS), Sarah Cummins (Barnardo's), Grainne Finnegan (Senior CFSN Co-ordinator), Sonya Logan (Sonas), Karen Costello (Archways Clondalkin), Celine Moran (Childhood Development Initiative), Deborah Hallissey (Quarryvale FRC), Peter O'Neil (CFSN Co-ordinator), Sadhbh O'Donoghue (Saoirse Refuge), Caroyln Brennan (PHN) Carla Jones (Clondalkin Travellers Development Group), Geraldine Farren (Cheverstown House), Mary O'Brien (Tusla Senior CFSN Coordinator), Mary O'Brien (Tusla Senior CFSN Coordinator) Sadhbh O'Donoghue (Saoirse Refuge), Danielle Perry (Barnardo's), Peter O'Neil (CFSN Co-ordinator) Anne Genockey (An Cosán).

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This sub-group was established in early 2020 with responsibility for the priorities and actions under Outcome 3 family supports. The group is currently chaired by Caroline Sheehan, Tusla Senior Manager PPFS Manager. The sub-group has been active during 2021 and met remotely four times.

Family Supports Progress achieved during 2021

Parenting Calendar - South Dublin County Partnership through its Parenting Support Worker developed a parenting events calendar. The calendar provides an overview of various training programmes and supports which parents can avail of in the Tallaght area. Members are examining if a similar resource can be developed in the Clondalkin area.

Domestic Violence Supports



TLC Kidz Programme - A meeting took place between Barnardo's, PPFs managers, South Dublin CYPSC and Dublin City South CYPSC co-ordinators to discuss the programme and rollout across the area. A joint working group was established to further progress this initiative, with a priority to develop a vision for this training across the South Dublin and Dublin South City CYPSC area. A formal proposal was developed by the working group and submitted to Tusla domestic, sexual and gender based violence service. Funding was approved by the national office which will support the employment of two part-time TLC Kidz Co-ordinators. The Co-ordinators will support the delivery of this programme across the two CYPSC areas.

Women's Aid Domestic Violence Awareness Training - In response to an increased number of referrals being made to domestic violence service, South Dublin CYPSCS funded two online awareness programmes which were targeted at frontline staff. This training provides participants with foundation knowledge to appropriately respond and link women to support services both locally and nationally. Two online programmes were delivered with South Dublin County to 24 participants.

Developing collaborative working relationships



The sub-group provides members with valuable opportunity to share learning, information and experiences with a wide variety of professionals and agencies. This has been further supported with presentations provided to the sub-group members on the work of other organisations and introducing key personnel to members. An example of this included a presentation by YODA and HSE addiction services in Bridge House to members on the supports provided by both services. Both Yoda and Addiction Service Bridge house noted an increased number of referrals coming to them this year.

Strategic Input to South Dublin CYPSC - lack of school places South Clondalkin area

The local South Clondalkin CFSN highlighted the current difficulties a number of 6th class students were experiencing; they had been unable to access school places in their area. Eighteen students were reported as not having secured a place in the local secondary school. The increase in population and housing developments is impacting on the availability of school places. Members also highlighted some of the challenges for children with ASD, who cannot continue in a main-stream school place. In these cases, there are no suitable places available for the children. This particular issue was further discussed by South Dublin CYPSC and its July meeting. South Dublin CYPSC approved funding from its BOBF funding allocation to support members within the CFSN to complete further research into this issue in South West Clondalkin. This research will seek to gather information from local schools effected and parents, along with examining potential demand for places in this area. This research report will form the basis of a more formal submission to the Department of Education.



Other Priority areas

Trauma Informed Training - South Dublin Clondalkin CFSN secured funding to support services in developing trauma-informed practice. By becoming more trauma-informed, services will be better equipped to understand behaviour as well as the behaviour of children and adults in their community. This works builds on work completed in the area on Adverse Childhood Experiences and the ACES video. The CFSN have also developed links with Better Finglas with a view to developing a trauma informed network.

Early Help Pilot Programme - Following discussion with sub-group members, South Dublin County partnership have worked to progress a new initiative called 'the early help pilot project'. This project will seek to support parents in their parenting capacity by assisting them with home duties in order to alleviate some pressure and enable them to meet their children's fundamental needs. Recruitment is now underway to fill six positions on the Community Employment Scheme. The scheme will initially operate in Ballgaddy and West Tallaght. Training will be put in place for each participant e.g. manual handling, child protection, home visiting supports. The referral process will take place through CFSN Co-ordinator as families engaged in Meitheal will be an effective manner to identify families who may need support.

Non Violent Resistant Training - The PPFS Team with Tusla Kildare/Dublin South West and West Wicklow continued to deliver training on NVR. Thirty-four individuals across a number of partner agencies have accessed this training this year. The training has been delivered by trainers within Tusla and with the Parenting Authority. A community of practice has been established and will provide practitioners with a forum to meet and discuss the use of NVR and practice.

Killinarden Drop-in Service - Work has continued to support the development of drop-in service in the Killinarden area. This service began in September 2021 and is supported by an interagency group who support the drop-in through a weekly rota. The initiative places a particular focus on parents, acting as signposts and to help them navigate and access services. It is the intention of the interagency to group to hold a parent's information morning once the current restrictions ease to support the drop-in service and consult with parents on their needs and supports they would like to avail off. Members of this sub-group include:

- Child and Family Support Network
- Tallaght Drugs Task Force
- YoDA
- Foróige KEY Project Killinarden
- Killinarden Community Centre
- Killinarden Community Council Youth Project
- CARP
- South Dublin CYP



Youth Justice Progress achieved during 2021

A new sub-group was established in 2021; this group met on three occasions during 2021. Membership of this new sub-group is listed below.

Membership: Joe Rynn (South Dublin CYPSC Co-ordinator), Stephen Coughlan (Archways), Olive Monaghan (Tallaght Probation Project), Sophie Doyle APT Project (Tymon North/Ballycragh/Springfield), Tom Riordan and Sandra Monaghan JAY Project (Jobstown), Roisin Walsh KEY Project (Killinarden), Robert Byrne YEW Project (Whitechurch), Paul O'Brien (KEY Garda Youth Diversion Project Foróige), Kevin Dickson Boost Project (Brookfield), Miriam Keegan (Tusla), Peter Duff (An Garda Síochána).

The sub-group has set out the following objectives

- Enhance supports and interventions in South Dublin CYPSC Area.
- To strengthen the prevention supports and interventions operating in the South Dublin CYPSC area.
- To identify gaps in provision, focussed on early intervention.
- To enhance current programmes to meet emerging gaps.
- To address and reduce the impact of anti-social behaviour on the opportunities and quality of life of children, young people's families.

During 2021 members of the sub-group examined specific gaps which could be addressed through enhanced interagency working. In addition, presentations were made to sub-group members by the Tusla Intake Team and CAMHS. Both presentations provided more detailed information on referral and response pathways.

A new Youth Justice Strategy was launched in 2021. The strategy includes a specific reference to Children and Young People's Committees. This includes an action to enhance communication and collaboration (via CYPSCs and other structures) between Diversion Projects and schools, Youth Reach, Youth Encounter Projects or other alternative education services, Drugs Task Force Projects and other community based programmes.

Aftercare Dublin South West progress achieved during 2021

Aftercare steering committees were established in the 17 areas within the Tusla – Child and Family Agency. The aftercare steering committees provide a forum for planning, implementing and monitoring a comprehensive, integrative aftercare plan for young people/young adults in receipt of aftercare. The approach taken is a multidisciplinary, multi-agency approach. Within South Dublin CYPSC three year plan, the work of the aftercare team and local steering committee is highlighted. The action under outcome three of the plan seeks to enhance linkages and provide a better understanding of the work of the aftercare team across all agency organisations involved in South Dublin CYPSC.

The CYPSC Co-ordinator currently sits on the aftercare committee providing a direct link between it and the CYPSC Committee. Members of the aftercare team met with South Dublin CYPSC during 2021 to provide an overview on the work of the aftercare committee and level of supports provided.

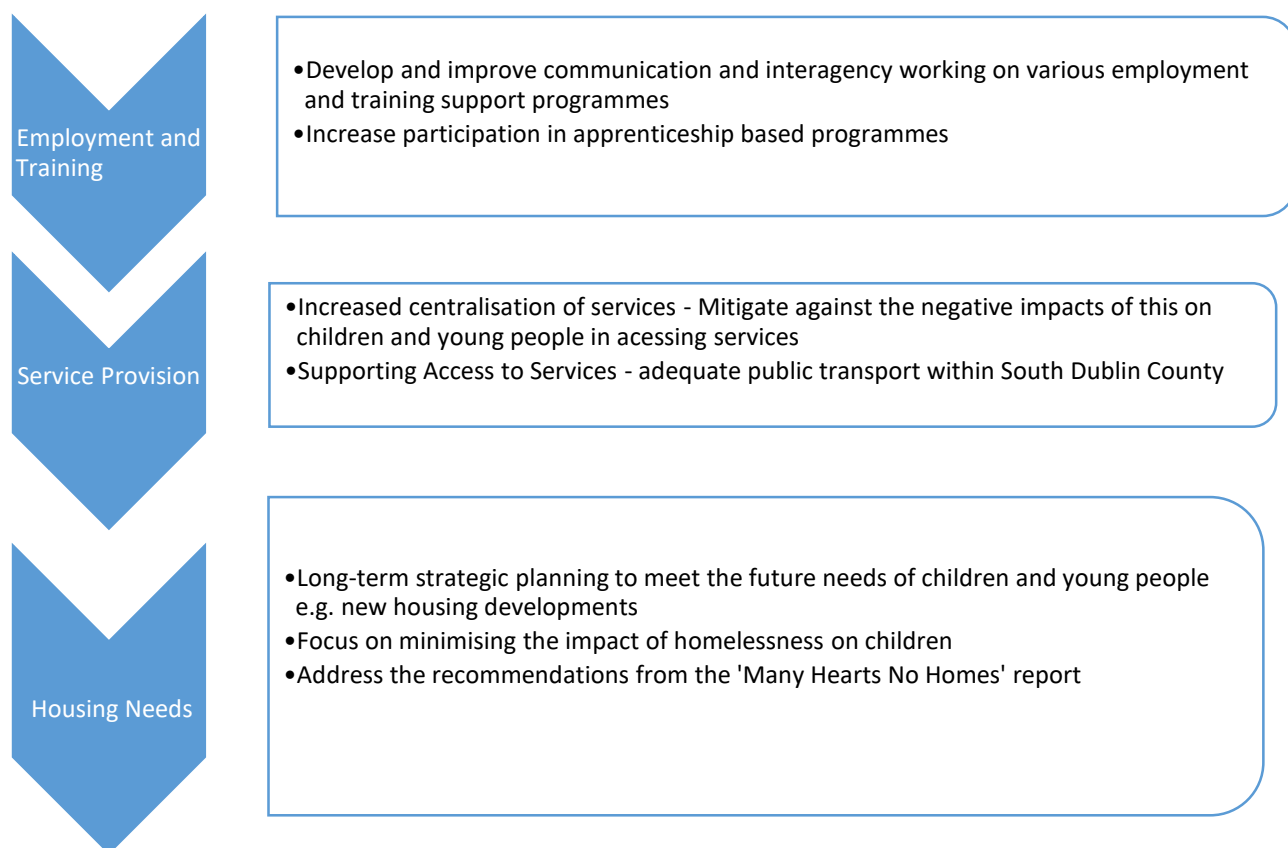
- Dublin South West/Kildare/West Wicklow has the third highest number of young people in the country in aftercare
- Currently there are 326 young people aged 16-23 years of age eligible for the aftercare service
- 53 referrals were received in 2020
- 32 young people will age out in 2021

The aftercare team seek to co-ordinate supports for the young person, this includes education training and employment, finance and budgeting matters, health and wellbeing, personal and social development, and accommodation and family support. This work is supported by the aftercare steering committees which provides a forum for planning on a multi-agency approach.

4.4 Outcome 4: Economic Secure

Membership South Dublin CYPSC Homeless Sub-group: Marian Quinn Chair (CDI), Peter O'Neill (Tusla), Deborah Chemhere (Tusla), Joe Rynn (South Dublin CYPSC), Caroline Lysaght (HSE), Tom Dermody (TESS), Sarah Thornberry (Blueskies), Justin Parkes (HSE), Ciara Heaslip (Focus), Niamh Milliken (South Dublin County Council), Caroline Sheehan (Tusla), Hilary Francis (Respond), Rachel Morgan (Focus), Lorraine Keegan (Respond), Keri Smith (Barnardo's), Neil Hanly (South Dublin County Council).

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Employment and Training: Further discussions will take place with the LCDC with a view to identifying groups where more targeted supports can be developed, this will include young people and lone parent households. Links have also been developed with the Department of Social Protection employment supports with a view to examining what additional interagency supports can be developed to further support young people who are unemployed.

Members will also examine what supports can be provided to increase skills and further employment options for employment/training development for lone parents.

Apprenticeships - Members of the Learning and Development sub-group have identified the need for information supports targeting young people and career guidance staff on apprenticeships. This project is a priority in 2022.

Service Provision: South Dublin County Council have provided yearly updates to all CYPSC members on current and future housing developments planned for the County. This information will support CYPSC members to consider where service provision may be needed in the future and to plan for these needs.

Housing Needs

The South Dublin CYPSC Homeless sub-group has worked throughout 2021 to address and meet the ongoing needs of families and their children and young people who are experiencing homelessness. The sub-group placed a particular focus on addressing recommendations identified with the 'Many Hearts and No Homes' report. In addition, the ongoing impact of the pandemic on families within hubs and emergency accommodation was a key priority for members.

Progress Achieved During 2021

Supports for families Tenancy Sustainment - Members of the sub-group placed a particular focus on what additional interagency supports could be developed to support families who are currently living within local family hubs and supports for the families once they leave the hub.



This included what interagency supports can be put in place to support families who are having difficulties maintaining tenancies. The Simon Community currently provide managed Support to Live Independently (SLI) teams who work with individuals and families to help them move out of homelessness, putting the necessary supports in place for them to maintain their new home and settle into their community. Some tenancy issues and cases of this nature have been referred on to SLI Teams for support.

In addition to SLI supports, South Dublin CYPSC homeless sub-group developed links with Money Advice and Budgeting Service (MABS). The aim of this initiative was to develop stronger working relationship between local family hubs and MABS to further support families in accessing the services which are available from MABS. These supports include:



- Budgeting and financial support to individuals and families. This includes development of household budgets and manage debts i.e. rent, gas electricity, mobile phone, tv suppliers, moneylenders, credit unions, banks, tolls, threatened legal action. MABS also work with vulnerable families who are at risk of homelessness or are transitioning from homelessness.

- i) Being invited to pre-tenancy meetings - MABS provides basic budgeting and financial advice prior to tenants moving into accommodation.
- ii) Work with keyworkers/support workers from other agencies - Providing support to other key works who may be working with vulnerable clients
- iii) Negotiation with creditors - Negotiation with secondary creditors/loans/help prevent legal action being taken. DRN (Debt Relief Notice) for bad debts write-off for eligible clients.

South Dublin CYPSC held a follow-up meeting between the four family hubs and MABS with a view to discussing and promoting the various support available from them.

Childcare Supports – The South Dublin CYPSC homeless sub-group also examined current childcare supports which are available to families. An overview of these supports was provided by South Dublin County Childcare Committee to all members. This provided an overview on the NCS sponsorship referral process. A follow-up meeting took place between the hubs and various childcare providers operating in the local area.



Children with additional needs. The homeless sub-group members also examined supports for children or young people with additional needs living within the family hubs. In order to further assess these needs, a short survey was developed. This survey will gather identifiable information on the number of children and young people living in the hubs, their age ranges, if a child or young person is waiting for an assessment of need or a therapeutic support. The survey template was finalised towards the end of 2021 and work has now commenced on completing the template. Key themes and identified gaps to emerge from this survey will form the focus of 2022 work plan for the sub-group.

Funding Supports Provided to local family hubs

South Dublin CYPSC through its Healthy Ireland and its BOBF funding allocation supported a number of actions for children and young living in the family hubs. This included:

- Christmas Project - CDI Tallaght with funding under South Dublin CYPSC BOBF Programme put in place a support package for families living in the hubs.
- Dublin Zoo - One hundred and fourteen families were provided with day passes to Dublin Zoo.
- Summer Camp Projects - Funding was also allocated to Respond Housing to support them with the provision of summer camp activities.



International Protection Centres

International Protection Centres have been the subject of a recent report which was undertaken by the Ombudsman for Children. CYPSC has been identified as one of the structures which could play a role in co-ordinating supports. During 2021 the homeless sub-group examined what additional supports could be developed. The Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth, Roderic O'Gorman, T.D. published a White Paper to end direct provision and to establish a new International Protection Support Service. This White Paper sets out a new Government policy to replace Direct Provision, which will be phased out over the next four years. A new system for accommodation and supports for applicants for international protection will be established. Under this new system, people who are applying for protection will be helped to integrate into Ireland from day one, with health, housing, education, and employment supports at the core of the system.

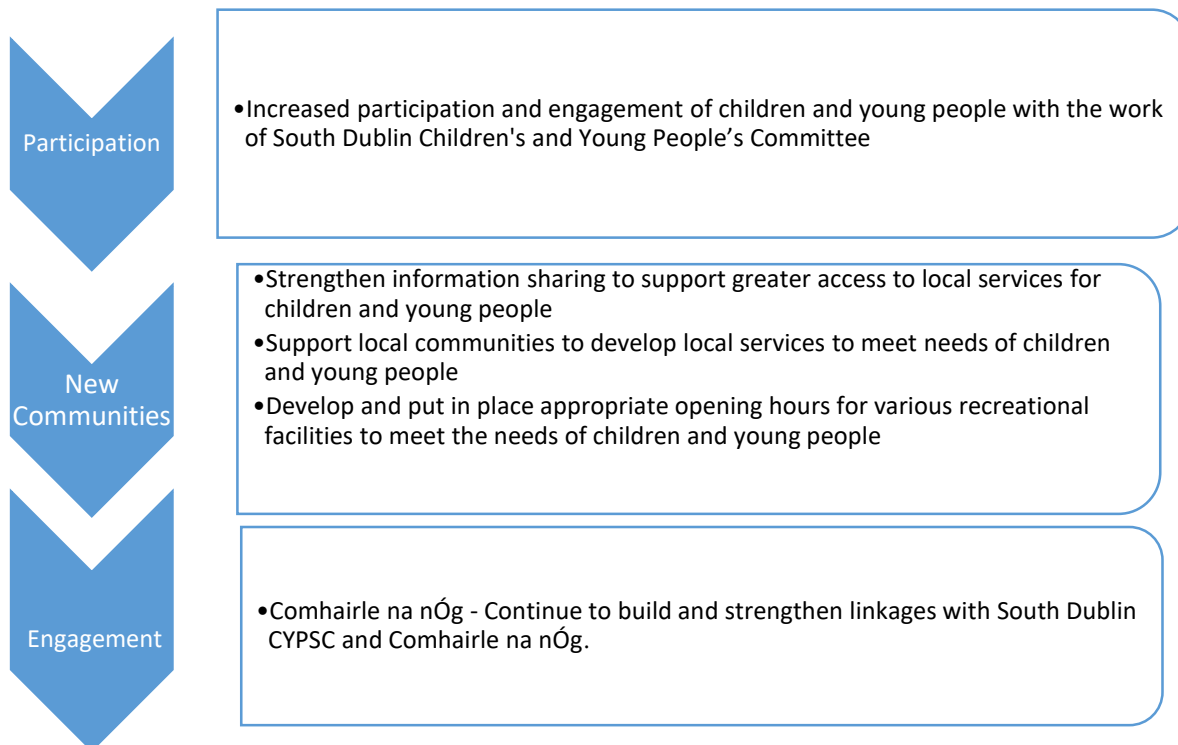
The South Dublin CYPSC Homeless sub-group will monitor and keep themselves informed on the new system as it becomes operational, for example, when a decision is made on where the new Reception and Integration Centres are located.

Clondalkin Towers International Project Centre

A meeting of local agencies was arranged to review current supports provided to the Centre. This included Archways, South Dublin CYPSC Co-ordinator and Public Health Nursing. Archways have been engaged with the Centre while the PHNS are also working with families. Quarryvale FRC have also provided support via the Food Bank project. It was agreed to follow up with the local manager to clarify the number of families currently in the Centre. The sub-group will meet again in early 2022 to discuss support.

4.5 Outcome 5: Connected and Respected

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South Dublin CYPSC has worked with Comhairle na nÓg to strengthen its relationship with them. Comhairle na nÓg members had an active involvement in the launch of the South Dublin CYPSC three-year plan. Following this, more formal links were developed with Comhairle na nÓg. This has included formal invites for members of Comhairle to participate in a number of South Dublin CYPSC sub-groups. Two members are now active participants on the following sub-groups:

- Youth Mental Health sub-group – Katherine Amusan
- Homeless sub-group – Kate Lynch

The South Dublin CYPSC Co-ordinator is a member of the Comhairle na nÓg Steering Committee. This committee is designed to advise and assist Comhairle na nÓg throughout the year. The role of the Steering Committee includes ensuring that:

- Comhairle na nÓg is formally connected to local decision-makers and key stakeholders in the area, particularly in relation to the topic(s) being worked on by Comhairle na nÓg in any given year;
- Comhairle na nÓg has an opportunity to influence decision-making and service development that will affect young people in the City/County;
- Organisations representing seldom-heard young people are engaged in the process and can contribute to all aspects of the Comhairle na nÓg;
- Comhairle na nÓg is promoted and championed in every key local agency in the area.

4.6 Change Management

South Dublin CYPSC Critical Incident Protocol

The South Dublin CYPSC Interagency Critical Incident Protocol is required when an incident overwhelms a local community's capacity to support children or young people and their carers are affected by events, and where more than one organisation is required for support. This is activated when a community is overwhelmed, where existing services are unable to effectively respond in isolation to the outcome of the incident and a coordinated response amongst a number of agencies is required. The protocol was not formally activated in 2021.



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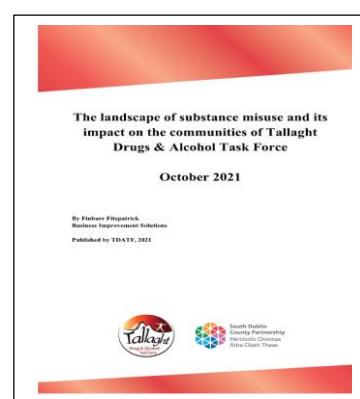
In order to support the work of the five-Dublin based CYPSC - Dublin City South, Dublin City North, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown, Fingal and South Dublin - an online directory was developed to centralise information on supports and services for children and families and support services in the greater Dublin area. The directory aims to provide up-to-date information on services operating in Dublin that can be identified through accessible search tools by category, area or on the map of services. The site received **over 160,00 visitors in 2021**.

4.7 New Initiatives developed in 2021

South Dublin CYPSC have supported Tallaght Drugs Force (TDATF) to progress a number of interagency initiatives in both the Killinarden and Jobstown Communities.

Killinarden is an area in West Tallaght that is made up of 27 small areas with an approximate population of 7,433. Eighteen small areas in Killinarden are classed between disadvantaged and very disadvantaged.

Jobstown is an area in West Tallaght with a growing population of 17,824 (2016). It is the largest community and has the highest percentage of young people within the TDATF area.



Both Killinarden and Jobstown have identified growing trends of increased drug trends among those most marginalised that has seen many young people become involved in drug use, drug dealing and activities that may cause significant risk to them. As a result, some young people have become more socially excluded within their communities

In response to growing concerns within both communities, two new interagency groups were developed. These groups are currently chaired by a South Dublin CYPSC Co-ordinator. Both groups have progressed a range of initiatives during 2022.

Parenting Supports - A separate working group has been established to develop a drop-in support for parents in Killinarden. This drop-in support is still available and the group plan to hold an information morning in early 2022 to further promote this support and consultation with parents.

Detached Youth Work - Members of the interagency group identified the need for dedicated de-detached youth workers. Detached youth work is a distinct form of youth work that engages the most at risk, marginalised young people, aged between 10-24 years, on the streets rather than in a

conventional youth work setting. South Dublin County Partnership have committed funding to support the recruitment of one Team Leader and three Drugs and Alcohol Youth workers.

Employability Supports - A new initiative was developed by local agencies to provide a targeted programme of support for eight young people in Killinarden. South Dublin CYPSC approved funding to support this initiative from its BOBF programme funding budget.

Members of the Jobstown interagency group are currently examining the feasibility of organising a number of information days in 2022, with the first of these to be a family day.

South Dublin CYPSC Disability sub-group

South Dublin CYPSC in response to a request from its members established a sub-group of CYPSC members to consider how it might respond to some of the emerging issues for children and their families in accessing services and supports. This disability sub-group currently includes Tusla local management, Tusla Education Support Service, Childhood Development Initiative Tallaght, CAMHS, National Special Educational Council and HSE Social Inclusion. A number of issues are emerging for children and young people with additional needs. This has included long wait times for assessment of needs, wait times for access to therapeutic services, and the reconfiguration of disability services. Towards the end of 2021, South Dublin CYPSC developed a discussion document which identified a number of collaborative areas South Dublin CYPSC wish to progress with key partners within the HSE.

Areas for collaboration identified by South Dublin CYPSC:

- Communication plan to be developed with all partners to explain the referral pathway and access to services for children and families into the future and details on any wait times for the service.
- Progressing Disability Programme - Brief all partners and local agencies on the programme and expected changes to arise from this process. Progressive disability seeking to develop a service which will be needs-based rather than diagnosis-based.
- Identify blockages and communicate emerging issues to partners so agencies are informed of these.
- Identify family supports and other local programmes which parents and their children can access while waiting for a therapeutic intervention.
- Develop a knowledge hub for children and young adults with disabilities and their families. This hub should provide information on the types of services available, from whom and what factors should be considered to prepare for and benefit from such services in the County.

5 Conclusion

South Dublin Children and Young People's Services Committee develop and oversee the implementation of the three-year Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) for the County/CYPSC area that is designed to improve outcomes for children and young people. Essentially a strategic plan, the CYPP will respond to national priorities and outline local priorities that the CYPSC has agreed to address and includes a detailed action plan of activities which will be undertaken by the CYPSC and its sub-groups to make an impact on those priorities. This approach has been central to the work of the Committee during 2021, given the national crisis which emerged through the pandemic.

5.1 Annual Programme of Work

South Dublin CYPSC produce an annual statement of intent/action outlining the work to be undertaken and achieved by the CYPSC in each calendar year. The Annual Programme of Work has been progressed during 2021, but additional work has been built into the plan during the course of the year.

Monitoring and Reporting

This annual report will form the basis of the Committee's annual update on its activity and impact to TUSLA as the nominated agent of the Department of Children and Youth Affairs. The Annual Progress Report will be utilised locally by each CYPSC as a tool for mutual accountability and learning. The report will inform local CYPSC decisions to enact developments or changes within its three-year strategic plan i.e. the Children and Young People's Plan. A summary is provided on the progress of each action since work commenced on the implementation plan. Using the traffic light approach each action is colour coded to indicate progress on the actions.

Green - Actions are on 'on track'

Amber - Action has progressed

Red - Action has not progressed

In addition, the Committee will hold a review meeting in early 2022, to assess progress and work achieved with a view identifying any further local and national priorities which the Committee should respond to.

Summary Action Plan and Progress to date

Local Priority Areas*	Indicator	Project Lead	Status
Outcome 1. Active and healthy, physical and mental wellbeing			
1.1 Alcohol & Drug Supports <i>-Explore use of Icelandic model of drug and alcohol prevention</i> <i>-Raise awareness with hidden harm alcohol dependence</i> <i>-Presentation CDTF to South Dublin CYPSC on proposal to develop and Under 18 Service in Clondalkin. Examine how agencies can work together to support this objective</i>	1 working group and 1 proposal Number of awareness programmes 1 Proposal Developed 1 Service Established	Healthy South Dublin Clondalkin Drugs Task Force	South Dublin CYPSC Youth Mental Health sub-group held discussions on the Icelandic model with Galway Mayo ETB Discussions to take place with two Drug and Alcohol Task Force regarding awareness programme during alcohol awareness week 1 report completed and endorsed by South Dublin CYPSC. Clondalkin Drugs Task Force are now working to implement recommendations
1.2 Autism Supports <i>-Examine level of waiting lists for Assessment of needs in the County</i>	% Change in waiting list times for AON	HSE Primary Care	South Dublin CYPSC established a disability sub-group. A discussion document has been developed and submitted to HSE on areas of collaboration which includes updates on assessments of needs
<i>Organise Information Seminar for local Community Leaders, Sporting Clubs on developing Autism Friendly Communities</i>	4 Workshops 60 Attendees/clubs to avail of training	ETB, ASiAM, Schools, Youth Clubs	1 workshop completed 30 participants online
1.3 Youth Mental Health sub-group to begin implementing key actions within the CYPP <i>-Information campaign to improve understanding of referral pathway to CAMHS Services, local seminars and dissemination of information leaflets developed by Services</i>	2 Information seminars. Number of attendees% of CAMHS referrals referred back to Community settings	Youth Mental Health Sub-group	Information Seminar organised by CAMHS Linn Dara for GPS

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-Address gaps in Service Provision. Establish joint co-ordinating group to include Kildare CYPSC and Dublin City South CYPSCS to consider multiagency response	Quantify number children and young people in need of supports. Joint Planning Group to be established	CYPSC Chairpersons	<p>HSE Tusla Joint working group in place between HSE and Tusla. This joint protocol seeks to support good collaboration and working between agencies</p> <p>Inbetweeners Group currently working to develop a bespoke model of supports, young people demonstrating school avoidance/ inability to engage with associated mental health issues.</p> <p>Referral Pathways – a new information resource on services across the CHO Area 7 covering, Kildare, South Dublin and Wicklow will be published in Q1 2022</p>
1.4 A Strategy for a Healthy South Dublin County Implementation Supporting Implementation of key actions funded through Healthy Ireland			
<p><i>Physical Health</i></p> <p><i>Kick Boxing – South Dublin Partnership</i></p> <p><i>Kayaking- Foróige</i></p> <p><i>Access to Leisure Centres for homeless Families - CYPSC Co-ordinator/homeless sub-group</i></p>	<p>Delivery of Kick Box Programme 120 participants</p> <p>300 participants to avail of Kayaking Programme</p> <p>Supporting 60 Families and their children to access leisure facilities</p>	<p>South Dublin Partnership Company</p> <p>Foróige</p> <p>CYPSC Homeless Family Sub-group</p>	<p>178 participants to date</p> <p>503 participants to date</p> <p>112 families identified</p>

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<i>Mental Health Mental Health Training Travellers- CYPSC Co-ordinator / sub-group to be established</i>	40 Community leaders to participate in training - 2 Training Sessions	Sub-group to be established	Action agreed but delivery delayed due to Covid-19 restrictions
<i>Sexual Health Real U Programme- CYPSC Co-ordinator/Foróige YMCA Sexual Healthy Programme-</i>	20 staff who work directly with young people to avail of Train the Trainer's programme 30 staff and volunteers to avail of training programme – 2 programmes one per year	All CYPSC Members YMCA	28 participants availed of training Q1 2021 12 youth workers completed training on the theme of relationships and sexuality training 4 day training programme on Neuro Diversity, identity and related issues for young people
<i><u>Tobacco</u> Smoking Prevention Social Media Campaign - Clondalkin Drugs Task Force with key agencies</i>	Social media information campaign targeting young people - The campaign will target (13-17)	Clondalkin Drugs Task Force	1 online video developed
<i><u>Community Mental Health Funds</u> Homelessness</i>	Parents Plus Programme- Funding be used to support parents access this programme, the budget will support 30 parents to access the programme Health and Wellbeing packs to family hubs	St Kevin's FRC and Quarryvale FRC CDI Tallaght	St Kevin's FRC and Quarryvale FRC. 6 facilitators trained in the delivery of the parents plus separated programme. 40 parents to avail of supports from the programme Project delivered in 2020-123 wellbeing packs distributed to families within the hub

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	Mental Health First Aid Training	South Dublin CYPSC	Programme delivered to frontline staff working in homeless services. 14 staff participated in the programme
Connecting Caregivers Project (new initiative)	One new online support group	Archways Blue skies Initiative	7 online workshops for caregivers and two workshops to educators
Anxiety Workshops	4 Programmes to delivered at 4 different locations in the County targeting a total of 40 families 6 workshops to take place 240 young people, 60 teachers and 90 parents to participate	Blueskies (Archways)	Work has commenced on programme development and delivery. To date 70 young people, 24 teachers and 115 parents have availed of the programme
Outcome 2 Achieving full potential in learning and development			
2.1 Transition Supports	<p>% reduction in absenteeism levels at primary school</p> <p>Number of Traveller children attending primary school</p> <p>Number of children minority groups transitioning from junior to senior cycle</p>	Education and Learning Sub-group	<p>New sub-group established - work plan and priorities agreed for 2022</p> <p>1 online presentation developed by South Dublin Childcare Committee to support access to the ECCE (free pre-school year) and distributed to local services</p> <p>School Avoidance - Review meeting held with Wicklow School Completion to examine and discuss school refusal pack develop by Wicklow CYPSC</p>

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Increase community supports for children and young people with a diagnosis on the autism spectrum	<p>% changed in non-attendance levels in both primary and senior schools</p> <p>Increase the number of young people 15-25 participating in Autism Specific Programmes</p>		ASIAM online workshop delivered to range of sporting and community organisations in 2021
<p>2.2 Early School Leaving.</p> <p>- Disseminate and raise awareness on the reasons for Early School Leaving and non-attendance</p> <p>-EWS to progress development of iScoil sites in both Clondalkin and Tallaght</p>	<p>% reduction in the number of early school leaving to meet Europe 2020 target of less than 10%</p> <p>Develop two new iScoil sites in South Dublin County i.e. Clondalkin and Tallaght areas</p>	Education and Learning Sub-group	<p>New sub-group established and specific actions identified and information resources to be developed for early school leavers in 2022</p> <p>TESS and Foróige have developed iScoil sites working to meet needs of young people in the County</p>
<p>2.3 Supporting Young People to return to Education</p> <p>Improve access and uptake on alternative education options and reengagement i.e. ALP Programme</p>	<p>Map out services and supports available to children and young people in vulnerable groupings and identify gaps</p> <p>Number of students participating in applied Leaving Cert and apprenticeships</p>		<p>Information campaign to be developed in 2022 on apprenticeships, targeting young people in secondary school and career guidance teachers</p> <p>Data published by the Dept. of Education nationally, indicate that 22.2% of students took the Leaving Certificate vocational course and 4.7% took the applied programme</p>

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<p>2.4 Family Learning Supports Identify and develop programmes for potential replication with family learning aspect</p> <p>Increase number of agencies to participate within the Parenting and Network Calendar</p>	<p>Number of programmes identified and new number of new pilot programmes</p> <p>1 shared calendar to be developed. Number of parenting programmes provided in calendar year</p>	Tusla, Child and Family Networks, South Dublin Co. Partnership	1 shared parenting calendar developed by South Dublin County Partnership for the Dublin South West area
Outcome 3 Safe and protected from harm	Indicator	Project Lead	Status
<p>3.1 Domestic Violence Services Enhance the capacity of domestic violence services responding to the needs of Children and Families</p> <p>Deliver TLC Kidz Programme – Expansion of programme in South Dublin County</p>	<p>% Change in number of people seeking to access DVS services</p> <p>Number of Children and Mothers to participate in the programme</p>	<p>Tusla, DM Voluntary Services, An Garda Síochána</p> <p>Tusla, DM Voluntary Services, Community Family Support Services</p>	<p>Joint working group established between South Dublin CYPSC and Dublin City South CYPSC</p> <p>One proposal developed and submitted to Tusla national DVS office. Funding approved to support recruitment of two part time co-ordinators</p>
<p>3.2 Youth Offending and Youth Diversion Projects Strengthen linkages between CYPSC and various Youth Diversion Projects</p>	Percentage change Youth Justice Statistics for South Dublin 12-17 during the lifetime of the plan	An Garda Síochána, Probation Services, Tusla, Foróige, Crosscare	One Youth Diversion sub-group established in 2021. This group brings together all youth diversion projects in the County. National Figures indicate numbers in the diversion programme have reduced from 9,842 in 2019 to 8,169 in 2020
Antisocial behaviour – reduce the impact of anti-social behaviour on the opportunities and the quality of life of children, young people and families	1 Dissemination programme / event on the models and approaches. No models /	An Garda Síochána, Probation Services, Tusla, Foróige, Crosscare, ETB,	This will be examined by the Youth diversion sub-group as part of its work plan for 2022

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	education programmes identified	Local Authority, SDCP	
<p><i>3.3 Aftercare Supports for those leaving care.</i></p> <p><i>Young people leaving care are appropriately supported, increased number of people accessing supports and services</i></p>	<p>Number of young people leaving care</p> <p>% reduction in homelessness amongst this cohort</p> <p>Monitor number of young people engaged with services</p>	Tusla Aftercare Group	<p>South Dublin CYPSC is a member of Tusla SW Aftercare Committee. A presentation was provided by the Aftercare Team to all CYPSC members on their work in 2021</p> <p>38 referrals discussed in the Steering Committees in 2021. 22 of these were in the Dublin South West Committee. Demand for accommodation for care leavers considerably outweighs the resources available within the private rented market, social housing supply and supported accommodation available</p>
<p><i>3.4 Early Help Pilot Programme</i></p> <p><i>-Working Group in place and currently scoping out a model to support a pilot programme</i></p>	<p>1 Programme developed-pilot in two areas in South Dublin</p> <p>20 families to participate and avail of supports</p>	Early Help Pilot Steering Group	<p>South Dublin Co Partnership are leading on this project. Programme developed and recruitment is now underway to fill 6 positions on the Community Employment Scheme. The scheme will initially operate in Ballgaddy and West Tallaght</p>
<p><i>3.5 Enhance Interagency working within Child and Family Support Networks</i></p> <p><i>-An overview to be provided by Senior Managers on work during 2019 to CYPSC members</i></p>	% change in number of referrals/Meitheals across all CFN Areas in South Dublin County	Tusla Prevention Partnership and Family Support and Partner Organisations	<p>Safe and protected from harm sub-group include CFSN membership. CYPSC Co-ordinator also attends CFSN network meetings</p> <p>An overview of work to be provided to CYPSC members in 2022</p>

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Outcome 4 Economic security and opportunity	Indicator	Project Lead	Status
<p>4.1Employment Opportunities-Early School Leavers, Young People leaving Care</p> <p>Improve and provide information on education, employment and training supports to target specific early school leavers, young people leaving care</p> <p>Increase apprenticeship uptake for the above target groups through an awareness programme</p>	<p>Meet Euro 2020 Target-rate of early school leavers not in further education and training should be reduced to 8%</p> <p>Information seminar for working professionals on supports 40 attendees</p> <p>% change/numbers of under 25 engaged in apprenticeships</p>	<p>LCDC and CYPSC, DSP, South Dublin County Partnership</p>	<p>South Dublin CYPSC Learning and Development Group will examine the development of information resources for early school leavers and awareness programme targeting schools on apprenticeships</p>
<p>4.2 Jobless Lone Parents Households</p> <p>Increase Skills and further employment options for employment/training development for lone parents through improved access to training and employment support</p>	<p>% change of lone parents in employment. 1 mentoring programme to be developed 20 parents to avail of the programme</p>	<p>One Family, South Dublin Co Partnership, ETB, ABC and DSP</p>	<p>Discussions to take place with key partners with a view to progressing this action</p>

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<p><i>4.3 Homelessness</i></p> <p><i>-Sub-group to be re-established to address recommendations from Many Hearts No Homes Report</i></p>	<p>% change in numbers of people in emergency accommodation and on social housing waiting lists</p> <p>Number of family hubs with access to additional facilities</p>	South Dublin CYPSC Homeless Sub-group	<p>Homelessness numbers in Ireland fell considerably during the early part of the Covid-19 pandemic, down from a peak of more than 10,500 in late 2019. 2021 Figures 8,830 people were without a home last month, including 2,513 children, according to data from the Department of Housing. Some 1,903 of these children are currently staying in emergency accommodation in Dublin</p> <p>3 Family Hubs - Additional facilities including access to laundry facilities was supported. Homeless sub-group provided with regular updates on current housing numbers</p> <p>Survey currently being completed to identify any additional needs for families within the hubs</p>
4.4 Future Housing Needs – Increase long-term strategic planning and role of CYPSC to meet the future needs of children, young people and families in future housing developments in the County	Establish Co-ordinating Group forum between South Dublin County Council Planning Unit and South Dublin CYPSC	LDC, South Dublin CYPSC and South Dublin County Council	South Dublin County Council present on a yearly basis to all CYPSC members on housing developments and plans in the County
Outcome 5 Connected, respected and contributing to their world	Indicator	Project Lead	
<p>5.1 Access to services and facilities.</p> <p>Increased access to existing spaces and facilities. Ensure new builds have adequate green space provision, playgrounds etc. and opening hours</p>	Number of new facilities developed within each CFSN area per population number	South County Council Parks	South Dublin CYPSC to consider how this action can be progressed. South Dublin County Council updated CYPSC members on a new initiative developed with funding from Sláintecare. This will cover two programme

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	of existing facilities with extended opening hours		areas of high-deprivation, one in Tallaght and one in Clondalkin. Funding of €500k has been approved for outdoor recreational infrastructure and community health projects in the programme areas
5.2 Barriers to participation in Health and Wellbeing Activities Address barriers preventing children and young people from participating in activities	Increase participation of children and young people in activities Level of participation of young people - physical activity	South Dublin County Sports Partnership, Youth Organisations, ETB, Comhairle na nÓg	These actions are being address via Healthy Ireland and Healthy County initiatives
5.3 New Housing Development - Community Days	Number of community events/2 days to support community links. % increase in participation and volunteering	South Dublin County Council, FRCs and Voluntary Groups	South Dublin CYPSC to consider how this action can be progresses
5.4 Children and Young People's Participation – Increase participation of Children and Young People with South Dublin CYPSC	Nomination process to developed for young person representative to South Dublin CYPSC Level of participation of young people - community involvement, decision making	Foróige and Crosscare, local colleges, schools, An Gaisce, Barnardo's, YMCA West Dublin	South Dublin CYPSC agreed a nomination process with Comhairle na nÓg. Two nominees from Comhairle na nÓg joined the Youth Mental Health sub-group and Homelessness sub-group. In addition, South Dublin CYPSC sit on the Comhairle na nÓg steering committee
Change Management	Indicator	Project Lead	

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<p>6.1 Dublin CYPSC Directory of Services</p> <p>- Online searchable directory of services</p>	<p>No of services identified on the directory</p> <p>No of users/traffic through website target of 10% change annually</p>	5 Dublin CYPSC	<p>www.dublincypscdirectory.ie</p> <p>Directory in place – yearly report to monitor traffic levels. 167,821 visitors to the site during 2021</p>
<p>6.2 Strategic Data - Support Services to use resources and plan their service</p> <p>- 3 Information Workshops taking place in October</p>	Number of attendees and seminars	CYPSC Research Group	Completed
<p>6.3 Critical Incident Protocol</p> <p>- Meeting of Steering Committee</p>	<p>- Annual review of protocol</p> <p>- No of critical incidents responded to through interagency working</p>	Critical Incident Group	<p>1 critical incident agency response activated in January 2020</p> <p>1 critical incident reviewed - formal response not activated in May 2020. Local agency response was sufficient.</p> <p>1 critical incident reviewed - formal response not activated in August 2020 - Local CFSN Co-ordinated a response</p> <p>1 critical incident reviewed - a formal response was not activated in October 2020. Local liaison took place, so as to put in place any additional supports required</p>