

**Dublin City North CYPSC 2026 ANNUAL PROGRAMME OF WORK**



**DCN CYPSC Mission** To bring agencies services and communities together to work collaboratively to improve outcomes for children young people and their families. Coordinating statutory, voluntary community services to deliver the CYPSC plan. Capture the voice of children and young people, highlight their needs and ensure its reflects in local planning to improve their outcomes.

**DCN CYPSC Statement of intent 2026** Through partnership and coordination ,shared planning and listening to the voices of children and families, we am to promote inclusion and respond effectively to the needs of the diverse community we serve. We use CYPSC and the sub-groups to action the plan and highlight the strengths and challenges for children young people and their families.

**National Outcome 1 Active and Healthy, Physical and Mental Wellbeing**

CYPSC Priority	Objective	Indicator over 3-year CYPSC period	Action(s)	Please select relevant Healthy Ireland goal if applicable.	Please select relevant Healthy Ireland Outcomes Framework Indicator Set if applicable	Is this action being evaluated?	Lead Agency	Partners	Fund Name
Disability	The objective in line with the active ad healthy outcome1 promoting inclusive recreational opportunities and community supports that enable children and young people with neurodiverse needs to participate fully in their community . Supporting families (where additional needs are identified ) through physical, social and emotional well-being supports. Following capturing the voices of children and Consultation with parents groups and through our Disability working groups in D7/Dublin Bay north we are aiming to build greater awareness, skills and confidence among community organisations to respond to neurodiverse needs. This includes promoting inclusive practices and ensuring children and young people feel welcomed and supported in activities within their communities. A key part of the objective is to action the voices of children and promote recreational activities for children and young people with disability to be more accessible.	Increased availability and awareness of inclusive recreational opportunities and community supports for those with neurodiverse needs demonstrated through strengthened community capacity and increased participation of children and their families in identified activities .To use the disability working groups in the two pilot areas ,D7 and Dublin Bay North to action the objectives and supports identified.	Deliver training for professionals and parents to build understanding -Provide supports for children and young people responding to their voice ( Community activates for All-Child Vision-Summer activates through FRCS)-Provide a therapeutic opportunity for families who need it most( those on waiting lists, Meitheal and identified through schools etc)	Protect the public from threats to health and wellbeing	Wellbeing Factors	no	CFSN	Family Resource centres and disability working group .	Healthy Ireland Fund
Mental health	To support mental health actives and respond to the need to support parents and children with A focus on anxiety which was highlighted as a need in the CYPSC plan and explore proposals that support the well-being of young people in disadvantage areas.	To continue to work with HSE partners on promoting Mental health awareness ,suicide prevention and Support Blend as an inclusive project supporting young peoples well-being and responding to need in a lack of service provision area. Host events/talks across the area on anxiety/discuss with parents what they want and provide a safe space to support children and young people in well-being supports-	Sharing resources from HSE,JIG-Saw across the network, Mental health events around Anxiety and well being for professionals and Parents -Map the current provision and explore a multi-agency response to the gaps. Deliver supports to young people that reflect well-being in an area where services are sparce.	Protect the public from threats to health and wellbeing	Wellbeing Factors	yes	HSE	Foroige, CFSN	Healthy Ireland Fund

National Outcome 2 Achieving Full Potential in all Areas of Learning and Development									
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Education and engagement	Under Achieving full potential all areas of learning and development with priority focus on education and retention , Children and young people will be supported through a trauma informed approach Young people to have increased awareness of progression pathways from second level to third level education and training. Children supported through a trauma informed approach. Supporting schools and agencies to become more trauma sensitive and aware in their practice. Young people have increased awareness and access to progression pathways from school to third level/further education and training.	To continue with trauma sensitive and awareness work and promote and deliver Resilience support across the networks. Provide nature training across one network to support a trauma approach and build capacity to support children who have trauma experiences in school. Offer ADHD training to promote ADHD friendly schools and document outcome pre and post delivery. Consult with key partners to promote school attendance and host a campaign that involves young people on Attention to attendance and pathways to support transition from primary to secondary- Expansion of New Beginnings in Coolock.	Host another Trauma event , continue delivering ACES video as requested through CFSN and support delivery of psychological First Aid across the community and have an attention to attendance campaign involving key agencies and young people. Promote new beginnings programme across the area ( targeting youth reach waiting list and schools for those venerable to leaving early)	Create an environment where every individual and sector of society can play their part in HI	Socio Economic Factors	no	HSE	HSE, Barnardos	CYPSC Programme Fund
National Outcome 3 Safe and Protected from Harm									
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Safe spaces, Community integration and cultural awareness	Under the safe and protected outcome 3 the objective is to promote safe spaces for children and young people while strengthening cultural awareness to support services in understanding and responding to the needs of families from diverse cultural backgrounds.	Community integration and cultural awareness is one of the CYPSC plan priorities. Respond to community needs around safe places.	Provide an on-line space to present different cultural themes and provide information and understanding on reposing to the needs of the diverse community we support. Provide support to communities where a need is identified to respond to safe places for children young people and their families.	Protect the public from threats to health and wellbeing	Lifestyle and Behaviour Risks	no	Tusla	LAI, IPAS Connectors ,YPAR	CYPSC Programme Fund
Domestic Sexual Gender based, Parenting - violence and child to parents violence	Under the safe and protected outcome 3 the objectives are to deliver Domestic Violence and NVR training across the networks. We will have parenting initiatives as identified and in repaosne to need. Strengthening the capacity of parents and services to support the safety and well-bring of children and young people. Domestic violence training supports services to recognise the signs of domestic abuse and gives knowledge and confidence in responding appropriately and refer families to relevant services. NVR training supports parents and practitioner to develop strategies to manage challenging behaviours in a safe and non-confrontational way. The approach strengthens family relationships and reduces conflict in the home.	To repeat our awareness of the Recognise, Respond Refer training to the community. Deliver 2 NVR trainings by year end and build a community of practice that supports delivery of NVR across the area.	Deliver 2 Domestic Violence training by year end and two NVR trainings. Support parent capacity building engagement and delivery. Continue to advocate for TLC Kidz /DV support for children and young people.	Protect the public from threats to health and wellbeing	Environmental Factors	no	Tusla	Aoibhness,Sonas ,Tusla,CFSN	CYPSC Programme Fund

National Outcome 4 Economic Security and Opportunity									
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Progression routes through education and training	Under the economic outcome 4 sub-group an opportunity to support young people progress to education, training and employment by providing safe pass training. On completion Certs are revised which supports a sense of achievement to build confidence to participate in further education. It equips the young people with an advantage to access apprentices and entry-level employment. Identify two DEIS schools and build capacity of a targeted group of young people to engage in skill enhancement in a disadvantage area and where it is recognised to have low access of third level engagement	A number of young people from identified DEIS schools in a disadvantage areas will participate in Safe Pass education and will receive certification which will support them in further pathways to education/training and apprentices. Increase their awareness of safety entering the workspace and giving them an advantage showing work readiness This is practical and employment related training. Strengthening links between schools, training providers and community support to help retain young people in education training or employment pathways.	To provide support across two DEIS schools to 40 young people identified as at risk of future pathways to educational opportunities	Create an environment where every individual and sector of society can play their part in a HI	Socio Economic Factors	no	Northside partnership	Northside Partnership,Schools	Healthy Ireland Fund
Progression pathways with a particular focus on marginalised communities .	Under the economic the New beginnings programme offers people with an opportunity to engage in personal effectiveness( skills for life).Through participation young people can build confidence motivation and key life skills while working towards QQI level 3 qualification. This foundation supports re-engagement with learning and provides a stepping stone into further education training and community based learning initiatives. Supporting young people in Aftercare and Meitheal with New beginnings and expanding the project to the community( building capacity with a training support and resources)To target those young people who due to poverty and inequalities have unequal access to supports to engage them in education and support opportunity with a flexible education support that meets their need	A number of young people 16 plus from targeted disadvantage areas to connect with New Beginnings programme. Promote across the area and engage those at risk of early school leaving or where there are barriers to engage in school. Improve confidence and increase motivation to support pathways to further supports and strengthen links between community training providers and educational services supporting on-going engagement with learning in the area with historic low third level participation.	To Continue New beginnings in Aftercare and Meitheal to promote New Beginnings across the community where there is recognised disadvantage, marginalised groups and low rates of transition to third level and education disadvantage has been recognised	Protect the public from threats to health and wellbeing	Socio Economic Factors	no	Tusla, Aftercare and CFSN	Northside Partnership, Archways, Extern and Solas	Healthy Ireland Fund

National Outcome 5 Connected, respected and contributing to their world									
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Youth Advisory networks - opportunity for young people to actively engage in decisions that affect their lives	Leadership Champion-Using leadership models to engage young people to express their views in a meaningful way to formal channels like CYPSC .To develop youth Advisory networks that can contribute to CYPSC. To target a group of young people as part of pilot to engage in workshops and a residential weekend through the youth services and build leadership capacity to set up an advocacy group that will inform CYPSC of their views and actively engage in decisions that affect their lives.Building youth services capacity to respond to the complex needs of young people and support them to engage meaningfully with young people in a complex challenging changing environment.	In line with the plan strengthen leadership skills and set goals for young people to express /voice on issues that are important in their lives and strengthen their skills to become champions and advocates for their community	Host workshops , plan a residential leader championing weekend and have learning events to build young peoples understanding of leadership and participating with an opportunity to share their views at CYPSC .Host workshops , webinars for all and provide training to support in their work ( identify 20 participants across 10 services )	Create an environment where every individual and sector of society can play their part in a HI	Preventative Measures	no	Tusla	Youth services	CYPSC Programme Fund
Parent Advisory network-Opportunity for parents to actively engage in their children and young peoples lives in their local community.	Creating a safe place for Parents to express their views and build an advisory group that supports their views to be expressed at CYPSC. Facilitate parents to identify issues that affect their lives and support meaningful engagement in understanding complex issues and through workshops and increase awareness on LGBTQI Plus and other issues for parents /foster carers and community.	In line with the plan strengthen leadership skills and set goals for parents to express /voice issues that are important in their lives by forming an advocacy group and share at CYPSC	Establish one parent-led advisory group and Host consultation session workshops , webinars as requested based on need.	Create an environment where every individual and sector of society can play their part in a HI	Wellbeing Factors	no	Tusla	FRC and CFSN	CYPSC Programme Fund
Change Management									
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On-going recruitment of CYPSC members and develop a youth advocacy group to facilitate the voice of young people to be expressed at the CYPSC meetings.	To increase CYPSC membership . To ensure we have cross representation of services to enrich the interagency partnership and delivery. To have Young peoples Advisory network and a Parents advisory network established to share their views and opinions with CYPSC around issues that impact their lives.	The aim is to add two more CYPSC members relevant to the work plan and under the connected and respected outcome create opportunities for young peoples /Parents voices to be heard at the CYPSC meetings.	Identify key players in line with the CYPSC plan and invite them to CYPSC. Meet with Advocacy group and capture their views and share at CYPSC.	Create an environment where every individual and sector of society can play their part in a HI	Preventative Measures	no	CYPSC Coordinator	Tusla area manager	Other
Develop critical incident protocol to support children, families and services when an incident of a serious nature occurs and impacts the whole community.	To develop a critical incident protocol across the area	To have a practice guidance document that supports services across the networks to respond to incidents that impact children and families and service delivery across the community.	Through CYPSC and the sub-groups create a document that is user friendly and has cross departmental agreement	Protect the public from threats to health and wellbeing	Preventative Measures	no	CYPSC Coordinator	Tusla area manager and HSE	Other