



Children's Outcomes – Executive Committee

3rd April 2024

MINUTES



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Wednesday 3rd April 2024
09:00-10:30
Council of Ministers Room

ATTENDEES

Minister for Children and Families
Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning
Minister for Housing (Teams)
Minister for Health and Social Services
Assistant Director of Policy
Senior Policy Officer
Chief Officer of CYPES
Head of Delivery and Improvement (Teams)
Associate Director of Engagement and Participation
Senior Youth Worker - Jersey Youth Parliament
Voluntary Sector Representative Best Start Partnership Chair (Teams)
Voluntary Sector Representative FHNC (Teams)
Voluntary Sector Representative NSPCC (Teams)

APOLOGIES

Minister for Justice and Home Affairs
Deputy Director Public Health Commissioning and Transformation

Welcome and Introductions

The Minister for Children and Families welcomed everyone to the meeting, outlining the history and importance of the Children's Outcomes Executive Committee.

Approval of minutes

The minutes of the 5th October 2023 and 10th January 2024 were approved.

Feedback from Children and Young People on Draft Plan

The Associate Director of Engagement and Participation presented the feedback from Children and Young People regarding the draft Children and Young People plan. The main issues highlighted by the Jersey Little Parliament were the cost of living, environment, and play. Children from year 1 through to Hautlieu and Highlands were engaged in the School Council Network Event March 2024 and reviewed a first draft of the Children and Young Peoples Plan. Once students return to school after Easter they will receive a copy of the Children, Young People and Families Plan.

Concerns were raised by Senior Youth Worker - Jersey Youth Parliament regarding how this will be communicated with young people, whether it will in person. Associate Director of Engagement and Participation outlined they are aiming for sustainable



engagement, the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning is happy to be part of this delivery.

Concerning findings of the previous Children and Young People Survey were discussed. Officers are strengthening links with Statistics Jersey to streamline statistics with the Children, Young People and Families Plan. Agreement that this would be beneficial from the committee.

The Committee discussed the option to include short-term goals in the plan, rather than a long term goal of 4-years to make the report easier for children to understand. The Senior Policy Officer outlined the aim of the plan is to highlight the key areas of focus for children to illustrate narrative across government. The Chief Officer of CYPES highlighted a misalignment is apparent as ideas have not yet hit the policy stage. The plan is an opportunity to highlight ideas to the Council of Ministers.

Voluntary Sector Representative from the NSPCC raised concerns regarding the voice of babies and under 2's.

The Foreword was approved as a majority decision by the Ministers.

Concerns raised by the Senior Youth Worker from the Jersey Youth Parliament regarding children's permissions to be in the report. Outlined the document will be live which can be updated and changed, ensuring children will be briefed on its use.

The provisional launch date of 19th April 2024 with a launch at Jump Jersey.

The Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning raised concerns whether this aligns with the Care Leavers Offer. The Minister for Children and Families agreed to look at any of the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning's concerns via e-mail.

Sign off on Children, Young People and Families Plan 2024-2027

The Committee approved the publication of the Children, Young People and Families Plan 2024-2027.

Delivery Unit – monitoring the Children, Young People and Families Plan

The Committee approved the Delivery Unit to begin work. The Committee will review options at the next meeting.

Future governance structure – discussion and review of membership

The Committee approved the revised Terms of Reference.

The Committee approved moving the meetings to bi-annually.

The Committee approved the membership within the new Ministerial team.



Planned to circulate the Children, Young People and Families Plan within the Council of Ministers. The Ministers approved this.

AOB

The Minister for Children and Families thanked the committee for attending and concluded the meeting.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS

The Associate Director of Engagement and Participation to engage on the name of the plan and preferred branding options.

The Associate Director of Engagement and Participation to include in the engagement plan ways for the voice of early years children to be included by 16th November.

The Associate Director of Engagement and Participation to update timeline for future consultations and build summary of groups who could be asked for engagement and consultation by 16th November.

The Senior Policy Officer to develop an invite list for the Forum on 16th November.

The Senior Policy Officer to organise professional facilitator for Forum.

The Senior Policy Officer to organise a survey to be sent to all 49 States Assembly Members.

Research and Admin Officer to send out COEC dates for 2024.

ACTIONS

The Associate Director of Engagement and Participation to brief children on how photos and any other relevant information will be used within the report.

MELL to discuss with MCF any concerns via email.

Students returning to school after Easter to receive a copy of the Children, Young People and Families Plan.

Research and Admin Officer to send out COEC dates for 2024.

MELL happy to be part of engagement process delivering the plan to children.