

Children's Services Plan on a Page 2011-12

Council plan aspiration for children and young people	"We want Cumbria to be a great place to be a child and grow up in; a place of opportunity where young people are able to live happy and productive lives; a place where young people will want to live and work in the future"					
Council priorities	Challenging poverty in all its forms.	Ensuring that the most vulnerable people in our communities receive the support they need.	Improving the life chances of the most disadvantaged in Cumbria.			
Directorate priorities	<p style="text-align: center;">1: Supporting children and young people to be the best they can. Cross Cutting Priority</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td data-bbox="771 1060 1469 1253"> 2: Targeting resources to support the most vulnerable, and keeping children and young people safe. Lead: Kevin Jones </td> <td data-bbox="1469 1060 2166 1253"> 3: Maximising opportunities and raising aspirations. Lead: Caroline Sutton </td> <td data-bbox="2166 1060 2861 1253"> 4: Strengthening services and improving partnerships. Lead: John Macilwraith </td> </tr> </table>			2: Targeting resources to support the most vulnerable, and keeping children and young people safe. Lead: Kevin Jones	3: Maximising opportunities and raising aspirations. Lead: Caroline Sutton	4: Strengthening services and improving partnerships. Lead: John Macilwraith
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For 2011/12 these are our directorate priority work areas

Children and Families	Schools and Learning	Strategy and Commissioning		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing new and innovative ways of working to incorporate Munro findings. Reducing the number of children who are looked after, and improving outcomes for those who are. Making sure our systems and staff support effective safeguarding. Improving opportunities and life chances for children with a disability. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improving access and opportunities for vulnerable children. Raising standards in schools. Developing traded services. Transforming learning. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing and implementing an effective commissioning cycle. Strengthening partnerships. Developing a participation strategy. Maintaining and building on our performance and improvement. 		
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