

Health Improvement North Lanarkshire

Children and Young People Flash Report 2022/2023



In North Lanarkshire there is a strong partnership approach to ensuring the best outcomes for our children, young people and their families. Working closely together members from across the partnership deliver an array of programmes and services for our children, young people, and their families.

Children's Services Plan

All local authorities and NHS boards in Scotland have a duty to work together to produce and update a Children's Services Plan. In 2022-23 our latest [plan](#) underwent its update process for the 2023-26 edition. Throughout the year partners carried out the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment to inform the priorities for the plan moving forward in the areas of UNCRC, Voice, Family, Care, People, and Scaffolding. Priority areas included trauma informed practice, mental health, wellbeing & resilience, and tackling poverty. Publication of the plan is expected in July 2023.

Average Attendance from SIMD 1 30% and SIMD 2 36%

Street Soccer NL

Street Soccer NL is a mobile diversionary programme that is delivered across North Lanarkshire in partnership with Health Improvement, CLD, NLC Sports Coaches, SFRS, and Police Scotland. Throughout 2022 the programme delivered four, 10 week blocks in 16 different locality areas. Street Soccer gives children and young people, (CYP), the opportunity to engage with coaching and CLD staff. This has created strong relationships for our CYP and they have reported increased confidence when talking with peers, making friends, and discussing their concerns. Further details and information can be found [here](#).

Over 700 care experienced CYP in NL

Promise Conference

North Lanarkshire is committed to uphold "[The Promise](#)" for our care experienced CYP. As a result in February 2023 over 200 people from across the partnership gathered at the civic centre in Motherwell to share and learn ways in which we can fulfil our promise to care experienced CYP. A range of speakers spoke about the work being undertaken to ensure we provide intensive support to the care experienced community and how we are improving health and wellbeing opportunities for CYP who live in our communities.

For further information see [here](#).

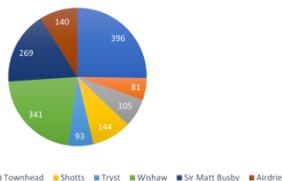


1569 attendees
889 Males
and 680 Females.

Friday & Saturday Night Projects

North Lanarkshire's community based diversionary activities aim is to provide safe spaces for young people to reduce anti-social behaviour, support health and well-being, and improve outcomes for children and young people, (CYP). This includes CYP impacted by poverty and specific groups of young people such as care experienced and young people at risk of offending / anti-social behaviour. The programmes deliver on a range of outcomes including [Scotland's Public Health Priorities](#), [National Youth Work Outcomes](#), and Sports Development outcomes. The programmes have led to CYP attending sports clubs in boxing, dancing, and even competitive cross country running, as well as increasing academic attainment. Furthermore SFRS and Police Scotland have built positive relationships with CYP at the programmes. The full report can be seen [here](#).

Friday & Saturday Night Attendance



Over 400 CYP in attendance

Time Capsule Takeover

On 9th Dec the Annual Time Capsule Takeover in Coatbridge took place. CYP from across North Lanarkshire had the opportunity to take part in swimming and ice-skating free of charge. CYP from Birkenshaw Sports Hall, Tryst Sports Centre, Keir Hardie Sports Centre, Townhead Community Centre, Airdrie Leisure Centre, Wishaw Sports Centre, Sir Matt Busby Sports Complex and Shotts Leisure Centre were in attendance. In addition to the activities CYP were asked their views on; health including mental health, money and cost of living, climate change, and youth voice to offer them the opportunity to comment on the future priorities of the children's services plan.



Further details can be found [here](#).

