

Priority A

We will look after all of our citizens, from early years through to adulthood, by providing quality education and social care services, to allow everybody to lead their lives to their full potential.

Our citizens are at the heart of everything we do and Stirling Council touches all of our lives from cradle to grave. The needs of our citizens and communities are constantly evolving and we must be mindful that our services evolve and adapt alongside them.

We will direct, but not limit, our services and resources towards the following considerations:

- 1) We will support the delivery of locally based after-school and holiday childcare for nursery to P7 children
- 2) We will support the development of appropriate regional education collaborative to deliver specialist help
- 3) We will continue to invest in our school estate to improve facilities
- 4) We will ensure parents and local communities play a role in the day to day life of their school
- 5) We will work with Big Noise to transfer learning to other communities in Stirling in a financially sustainable manner
- 6) We will invest in transitional support into Higher and Further Education for school leavers
- 7) We will introduce measures to upgrade school CCTV systems to take advantage of technological improvements
- 8) We will work with professionals and external partners to contain pressure on care budgets, through pro-active planning and transformational change.
- 9) We will deliver the Stirling care village
- 10) We will ensure people live in their own homes for as long as possible by increasing the availability of care services and protecting budgets for adaptations in homes to aid independent living for the duration of this Administration
- 11) We will work with partners towards eliminating delayed discharge
- 12) We will work with partners to make the Stirling Council area a Dementia Friendly area
- 13) We will champion the rights of Young People and Looked After Children in our care
- 14) We will support foster and kinship carers with financial assistance and access to relevant resources
- 15) We will work with partners to put mental health on an equal footing with physical health in all council programmes
- 16) We will help people manage their own health by promoting and resourcing community led opportunities
- 17) We will expand access to respite time and facilities for family and friend carers