Education Authority

Youth Service



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## Youth Development Plan 2023-2026

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# Introduction

The Education Authority (EA) Regional Youth Development Action Plan for 2023-2026 outlines the key targets to be achieved by the EA Youth Service, based on the Regional Assessment of Need for 2023-2026. This is delivered in accordance with the Department of Education (DE) Policy Priorities for Youth.

There are a range of other policies which are key in the development of this plan and the EA Youth Service including:

- Priorities for Youth – Improving Young People's Lives through Youth Work (2013)
- The Children and Young People's Strategy 2020 – 2030 (2019).
- The Children Services Cooperation Act (2015).
- Community Relations Equality and Diversity Policy (2011) and CRED Addendum (2016).
- Shared Education Act (2016).
- Fresh Start Agreement (2014).
- Rural Needs Act (2016).

The plan will be reviewed regularly, and progress will be reported in line with the framework of the EA's Strategic Plan (2017-2027) and corporate business plans as well as the Children and Young People's Services' directorate business plan. The resources provided to the Education Authority Youth Service by the Department of Education are deployed in accordance with the plan to achieve specific, policy led objectives, outputs, and outcomes.

The three-year Regional Youth Development Plan is delivered by the Education Authority through funding to Registered Voluntary Youth Organisations and the Education Authority Statutory Youth Services.

It is important to note that the Education Authority is required to work in collaboration and partnership with the community and voluntary youth sector, and to consider their advice and feedback on the planning and delivery of youth services. This includes consideration of existing facilities provided by a wide range of providers, including the community voluntary sector, councils and charitable organisations and resources provided by other funding bodies.

In addition to the Regional Youth Development Plan the Education Authority Youth Service delivers local Services outlined in three year Local Area Youth Development Plans, which are provided across the 11 District Council Areas. Key actions within the Local Area Youth Development Plans are informed by the Local Assessment of Need, Local Statistical Profiles, Regional Assessment of Need and the Regional Youth Development Plan

**Embedding Policy and Legislation into Delivery**

*Child Protection and Safeguarding*: All DE Funded Youth Work will be delivered in line with DE Guidance and Circulars related to Safeguarding and Child Protection. This is included in moderation of service delivery that statutory and voluntary youth organisations are compliant with current and emerging guidance related to safeguarding from DE and ETi as outlined in DE's Safeguarding and Child Protection Guidance in Schools – Annex E Guidance for Youth Settings and ETi Safeguarding Proforma Guidance Mandatory requirements for Youth Organisations.

*Embedding the DE Emotional Health and Wellbeing Framework*: Through Statutory and Voluntary youth work delivery and under the key area for action "Health and Wellbeing" within the plan the Youth Service will deliver and support programmes aligned to the DE Emotional Health and Wellbeing Framework in education, in particular responding and provided support to our children and young people under the theme of wellbeing for all and early support.

*Responding to emerging Policy and Legislation related to Youth Work:* Through continuous assessment of need, the Education Authority Youth Service will consider emerging policy and legislation in the context of the DE Youth Policy and our statutory duty. Notably for 2023-2024 consideration will be given to the role of youth work will have in support of the draft TEO strategy for Ending Violence Against Women and Girls and the Identity and Language (Northern Ireland) Act 2022.

**DE Youth Work Priority** **Raising Standards for All**

| Key Area for Action | We will Deliver (Output) | Outcomes | Target Completion Date | Target Status |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Delivering on Assessed Need | **Ongoing Dynamic Assessment of Need** | - Collating of evidence of stakeholder engagements completed, Published Inspection Reports, Moderation and Quality Assurance of Youth Work Practice<br>- Continued desktop research which highlights impacts on lives of children and young people<br>- Collating of evidence through Regional and Local Youth Voice engagement<br>- Presentation of summary findings to RAG quarterly for consideration in the context of the Regional Youth Development Plan | Ongoing<br>Reviewed Quarterly | **Planned** |
| Delivering on Assessed Need | **Ongoing reviews and updates to the Regional Youth Development Plan based on assessed need** | - Base ongoing dynamic assessment of Need;<br>- Regional Youth Development plan reviewed Quarterly by EA and RAG<br>- Regional Youth Development Plan updated based on assessed need and available resources | Ongoing<br>Reviewed Quarterly | **Planned** |
| Delivering on Assessed Need | **Ongoing Reviews of the implementation of the Local Youth Development Plans including collaboratives approaches with Regional Services** | - Quarterly review of EA Youth Service delivery based on reflective practice and emerging needs of children and young people. | Ongoing<br>Reviewed Quarterly | **Planned** |

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| Embedding Policy and Practice | **Child Protection and Safeguarding** | - Providing Assurances that Child Protection and Safeguarding is in line with DE Policy for all DE Funded Youth Work<br>- Developing and Sharing practice to support a preventative curriculum that safeguards children and young people | Ongoing Reviewed Bi-Annually | **Planned** |
| Embedding Policy and Practice | **Embedding and Developing CRED Policy in Youth Work Delivery** | - Embedding CRED within all DE Funded Youth Work<br>- Developing and Sharing practice to support embedding CRED in Youth Work Delivery<br>- Ensuring Access to Youth Services for all Section 75 Groups | Ongoing Reviewed Bi-Annually | **Planned** |
| Embedding Policy and Practice | **Embedding and Developing the Emotional Health and Wellbeing Framework in Youth Work Practice** | - Embedding Emotional Health and Wellbeing Framework within all DE Funded Youth Work<br>- Developing and Sharing practice to support Embedding the Emotional Health and Wellbeing Framework in Youth Work Delivery | Ongoing Reviewed Bi-Annually | **Planned** |
| Embedding Policy and Practice | **Actions responding to emerging policy and legislative requirements connected to Youth Work Delivery** | - Developing delivery actions based on available resources and assessed need to support the embedding and delivery of youth including;<br>- Youth Work Through the Medium of Irish<br>- Youth Work Through the Medium of Ulster Scots<br>- Violence against woman and young girls strategy<br>- Bystanders Principle | Ongoing Reviewed Quarterly | **Planned** |

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| Improving Quality | **Embedding & Developing Continuous Improvement** | - Culture of continuous improvement in place for all DE Funded Youth Work<br>- Critical Self-Reflection on Service Delivery<br>- Action Plans in place to improve the quality of Youth Work Delivery<br>- Ongoing Quality Assurance System/Process Support Provided by Regional Strategic Funded Organisation based on the support needs member organisations and EA. (23-RS-001)<br>- Ongoing Quality Assurance System/Process Support Provided by Regional Strategic Funded Organisation based on the support needs member organisations and EA through the medium of Irish. (23-RS-002)<br>- Support for Inspection | Ongoing | **Planned** |
| Improving Quality | **Moderation of Youth Service Delivery** | - Ongoing Moderation in line with established model pending review for DE Funded Youth Work<br>- Review and report of Moderation and Monitor Process linked to the funding scheme and delivery of youth work with a pilot consulted on and implemented with Regional Strategic funded groups to test an improved process. | Ongoing | **Planned** |

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| Promotion of Service and Opportunities | **Promotion and Celebration of Youth Work Delivery through online methods** | - Quarterly Youth Work Sectoral Update<br>- Youth Work Blog through EA Youth Funding Website and Youth Online<br>- Promotion and celebration of Local and Regional Youth Work Delivery and achievements through Social media channels (YouTube, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram) | Ongoing | **Planned** |
| Promotion of Service and Opportunities | **Promotion of Opportunities for Children and Young People to engage with Youth Services** | - Youth Service Curriculum Themed Delivery Calendar<br>- Promotion of Youth Sector opportunities for children and young people through Social Media (Instagram, Twitter, Facebook) | Ongoing | **Planned** |
| Proportionate Reporting on Youth Service Outcomes | **Reporting on DE Funded Youth Work** | - Reporting to the Department of Education on the agreed Outcomes Based Report Card Annually by June Each Year<br>- DE Regional Youth Development Plan Quarterly Updates<br>- DE Priorities for Youth Quarterly Updates | By June each Year DE OBA Report Card Quarterly for all Others | **Planned** |
| Proportionate Reporting on Youth Service Outcomes | **DE Fair Start Reporting** | - Quarterly Updates provided for the Fair Project Team and Board for Horizons Programme<br>- Annual reports on the impact and outcomes of Fair Start Projects delivered by Youth Services<br>- Fair Start Report on WRAP project | Quarterly | **Planned** |
| Proportionate Reporting on Youth Service Outcomes | **Reporting on TPP Funded Youth Work** | - Quarterly Updates provided for the TPP Board<br>- Annual reports on the impact and outcomes of TPP Programmes delivered by Youth Services<br>- Annual Presentation to IRC | Quarterly | **Planned** |

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| Proportionate Reporting on Youth Service Outcomes | **Update on Youth Work Delivery to EA Board** | - Updates provided to the EA Board (Performance and Achievement Committee) on the Delivery of Youth Services | Quarterly | **Planned** |
| Proportionate Reporting on Youth Service Outcomes | **Reporting on TEO Funded Youth Work (Subject to Annual funding Allocation)** | - Annual reports on the impact and outcomes of Planned Intervention Funding Provided to EA Board and TEO<br>- Revised Service Level Agreement for the delivery of the programme in 2023-2024 agreed<br>- Annual reports on the impact and outcomes of TBUC Camps Programme<br>- Revised Service Level Agreement | Annually | **Planned** |
| Stakeholder Engagement, Research & Sharing Practice | **Partnerships with the Voluntary Sector for Outdoor Learning** | - Establishment of partnerships in line with Moving Forward (2017) | March 2024 | **Planned** |
| Stakeholder Engagement, Research & Sharing Practice | **Review and Evaluation of EA Learning Together Programme (LTP)** | - Terms of Reference Established for a Review of the Learning Together Programme<br>- Review of EA Youth Service Learning Together Programme Completed | January 2023 | **Planned** |

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| Stakeholder Engagement, Research & Sharing Practice | **Research into emerging needs of children and young people** | Four emerging research themes identified and shared with the sector for 2023-2024 Period:<br>-Role of Youth Service in RSE.<br>-Impact of Brexit/Windsor Framework on relations between CYP.<br>-Impact of the Digital Rollout on the wellbeing of CYP.<br>-Cultivating an Interest in Politics. | March 2024 | **Planned** |
| Stakeholder Engagement, Research & Sharing Practice | **Programme of Stakeholder Engagements on key Themes** | - Stakeholder Engagement event will have been completed on Supporting Children and Young People impacted by the cost of living through Youth Work (Dec 23)<br>- Stakeholder Engagement event will have been completed Sex and Relationship Education (Mar 24) | Ongoing | **Planned** |
| Stakeholder Engagement, Research & Sharing Practice | **Regional and Local Advisory Groups** | - Delivery of Regional Advisory Group in line with DE Policy Meeting once per quarter<br>- Delivery of Local Advisory groups (one per planning area) meeting once per quarter | Ongoing | **Planned** |
| Stakeholder Engagement, Research & Sharing Practice | **Review of Stakeholder Engagement Event processes and outcomes.** | - Review and quality assurance of the model of engagement for stakeholder events considering how to effectively engage with children and young people to assess needs based on the identified themes.<br>- Revised model of delivery piloted and agreement for future implementation | September 2023 | **Planned** |

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| Stakeholder Engagement, Research & Sharing Practice | **Programme of Sharing Practice Events for Youth Workers** | - Shared Practice event will have been completed on Accreditation for Young People through Youth Work<br>- Shared Practice event will have been completed on Social Action Youth Work | Ongoing | **Planned** |

| DE Youth Work Priority | Closing the Performance Gap |
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| Environment and Climate | **Environment and Sustainability Youth Work Curriculum** | - Increased Regional and Local Youth Work Programme Delivered on the theme of Environment and Sustainability<br>- Increased access to Youth Work Resources for the delivery of Environment and Sustainability programmes | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |
| Health and Wellbeing | **Wellbeing for All Youth Work Curriculum** | - Increased access to emotional health and wellbeing support for children and young people<br>- Positive Peer Cultures adopted in the area of emotional health and wellbeing<br>- Improved health and wellbeing outcomes for children and young people<br>- Increased access to physical health programmes to support wellbeing of children and young people<br>- Development of a Parental programme to support wellbeing for all | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |

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| Health and Wellbeing | **Early Support for Vulnerable Children and Young People** | - Establishment of a Youth Work Sectoral approach to delivering early support for children and young people in Youth Work Settings this leads to;<br>- Improved access for children and young people who require support<br>- efficient and coordinated sectoral approach to supporting vulnerable children and young people<br>- Improved health and wellbeing and safety and stability of children and young people<br>- Improved Pathways of support for children and young people<br>- Development of a Parental programme to support early support | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |
| Health and Wellbeing | **Sex and Relationship Education Curriculum for Children and Young People** | - Sex and Relationship Education programmes delivered which supports the background and identity of children and young people<br>- Increased access to support and information on sex and relationships<br>- Inclusive and safe spaces to discuss the curriculum area | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |
| Inclusion, Diversity, Equality of Opportunity and Good Relations | **Emotional Health and Wellbeing Support to Children Looked After to access Youth Services** | - Youth work support provided to engage children in care within youth service delivery under the theme of wellbeing for all<br>- Youth work support provided to engage children in care within youth service delivery under the theme of early support | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |

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| Inclusion, Diversity, Equality of Opportunity and Good Relations | **Good Relations & Identity Curriculum** | - Support to TBUC Camps Programme for the delivery Good Relations practice with children and young people<br>- Enhance Community Relations practice<br>- Increased confidence in group delivering TBUC Camps Programmes<br>- Increased curriculum programmes exploring identity | 31/3/2024<br>*Subject to Annual Funding Availability from TEO | **Planned** |
| Inclusion, Diversity, Equality of Opportunity and Good Relations | **Shared Education Programmes** | - Development of Shared Education Framework for Youth Delivery<br>- Development of Shared Education resources for youth work practice<br>- Increased shared education partners within youth services | 31/3/24 | **Planned** |
| Learning and Achieving | **Life Skills Education for Children and Young People** | - Development of a Life Skills Curriculum for Priority Age Bands<br>- Benchmarking of Life Skills Curriculum against best practice nationally or internationally<br>- Increased delivery of life skills programmes children and young people<br>- Improved positive life choices made by children and young people | 31/3/24<br>*Initial Development Period with ongoing need assessed and evaluated | **Planned** |

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| Learning and Achieving | **Accredited Youth Work Programmes for Children and Young People** | - Increased educational attainment<br>- Increased access to employment and employment pathways<br>- Increased access to leadership roles within youth services<br>-Development of Thinking Skills, Work Skills, Life's Skills | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |
| Learning and Achieving | **Global Education Youth Work Curriculum** | - Development of a Global Education Youth Work Curriculum<br>- Benchmarking of Global Education Youth Work Curriculum against best practice nationally or internationally<br>- Increased awareness and engagement with children and young people on global issues<br>- Increased access to global learning opportunities for children and young people | 31/3/24 | **Planned** |
| Living in Safety and Stability | **The Tackling Paramilitarism Programme** | - Seacuring the resources for the delivery of the Tacklling paramilatarism programme<br>- Delivery and Reporting on the Programme<br>-TTP Mainstreamed within core provision | 31/3/2024 *Subject to Annual Funding Availability DOJ/TPP | **Planned** |

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| Participation | **Regional Youth Voice Project** | - Regional Network Youth Voice structure to support the decision making of Youth Services<br>- Regional Thematic Youth Voices in place to support engagement with Section 75 groups and based on assessed needs of young people<br>- Regional Thematic Youth Voice to support decision making within the Education Authority | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |
| Participation | **Accessible Universal/Generic Youth Provision for Children and Young People** | - Generic Youth Provision available for children and young people based on assessed need<br>- Welcoming, inclusive and supportive for environment children and young people<br>- Support for increased access to Youth Provision for Section 75 groups as we meet their individual needs | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |
| Participation | **Gaming in Youth Work Curriculum for Children and Young People** | - Development of a Gaming Curriculum for Youth Work Delivery<br>- Benchmarking of Curriculum against best practice nationally or internationally<br>- Increased delivery of Gaming programmes children and young people | 31/3/24 | **Planned** |
| Learning and Achieving | **16+ Volunteering and Leadership Opportunities** | - Increased access to volunteering opportunities for 16+ years within youth services<br>- Increased pathways into leadership roles for 16+ years within youth services | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |

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| Inclusion, Diversity, Equality of Opportunity and Good Relations | **Emotional Health and Wellbeing Support to LGBTQI+ Children and Young People** | - Youth work support provided to engage LGBTQI+ within youth service delivery under the theme of wellbeing for all<br>- Youth work support provided to engage LGBTQI+ within youth service delivery under the theme of early support | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |
| Living in Safety and Stability | **The Youth Cultural Expressions Programme Linked to contentious Bonfires** | - Youth Cultural Expressions Programme develop<br>- Improved protective factors for young people who engage in risk taking activities<br>- Positive celebration of identity | 30/11/2023 | **Planned** |
| Living in Safety and Stability | **TEO Planned Intervention Sxheme to support diversionary activities in areas of heighten community tension** | - Launch and award of TEO Planned Intervention Funding for the Voluntary and Community Sector | 30/12/2023 | **Planned** |
| Living in Safety and Stability | **Living in Safety and Stability Programme with Children and Young People Based on Assessed Need** | - Delivery of living in safety programmes with children and young people based on assessed to include by not limited to;<br>- Risk Taking Behaviour<br>- Drugs and Alcohol<br>- Personal Safety | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |

| DE Youth Work Priority | Developing the Non Formal Education Workforce |
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| Key Area for Action | We will Deliver (Output) | Outcomes | Target Completion Date | Target Status |
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| Volunteering Development | **Volunteer Strategy** | -Increased satisfaction of those who volunteer in Youth Work Settings<br>-Increased number of volunteers within youth work<br>-Increased pathways of opportunity for volunteers<br>-Celebrating the contribution of volunteers within youth work<br>-Improved Succession planning for youth service delivery | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |
| Workforce Development | **Part-Time Youth Worker Training** | -OCN Training(or equivalent) providing for Part-time youth work staff<br>-Increased capacity of youth services to delivery youth work with children and young people<br>-Improved outcomes for children and young people<br>-Improved succession planning for Youth Services | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |
| Workforce Development | **Continuous Development for Professional Youth Staff** | -Based on assessed needs of children and young people training provided for professionally trained youth work staff<br>-Increased capacity of youth services to delivery youth work with children and young people<br>-Improved outcomes for children and young people<br>-Improved succession planning for Youth Services | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |

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| Workforce Development | **Training on the Delivery of Youth Work through Online Methods** | - Research and piloting of training for Youth Work staff and volunteers for the delivery of youth work through online methods<br>- Training developed and delivered to support the delivery of youth work practice through online methods based on research and pilot | 31/3/24 | **Planned** |
| Workforce Development | **Training on the Delivery of Youth Work through Gaming** | - Research and piloting of training for Youth Work staff and volunteers for the delivery of youth work the use of gaming<br>- Training developed and delivered to support the delivery of youth work practice through gaming based on research and pilot | 31/3/24 | **Planned** |
| Workforce Development | **North South Youth Work Practice Development** | - Forum established and maintained for the development and sharing of Youth Work Practice North and South on the Island of Ireland | Ongoing Until 31/3/26 | **Planned** |

## DE Youth Work Priority Improving the Non-Formal Learning Environment

| Key Area for Action | We will Deliver (Output) | Outcomes | Target Completion Date | Target Status |
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| Digital Transformation of Youth Service | **Management Information System to Support the Delivery and Reporting on DE Funded Youth Work** | - Engagement with the Youth Sector to assess needs in line with reporting on DE Funded Youth Work<br>- Establishment of a cross sector working group to develop an MIS<br>- Identification and sharing of good practice models for an MIS across the sector | Ongoing and Determined by the working group | **Planned** |
| Digital Transformation of Youth Service | **Digital Methods of engagement with Children, Young People and Parents** | - Improved communication<br>- Reduction in Bureaucracy<br>- Reduction in Back Office Functional requirements<br>- Increased access to youth services | Pilot & Development Project until 31/3/24 | **Planned** |
| Participative Structures | **A Youth Voice HUB to Support the Children and Young peoples decision making in Youth Services** | - Established of an online Youth Voice hub which;<br>- will enable children and young people to give a voice to the decision making process on policies, strategies and services to support or impact them<br>- enables children and young people to voice and set the discussion on issues important to them | Ongoing | **Planned** |

| DE Youth Work Priority | Transforming Governance and the Management of Non-Formal Education |
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| Key Area for Action | We will Deliver (Output) | Outcomes | Target Completion Date | Target Status |
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| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **(Ear-Marked) Tackling Paramilitarism Funding** *(Subject to annual approval & allocation)* | - Funding Provided to successful voluntary youth organisations in targeted areas to deliver TPP targeted Youth Work initiatives to;<br>- Support for vulnerable children and young people at risk of paramilitary/criminal influence<br>- Support for vulnerable children and young people impact by violence presenting at emergency departments<br>- Engagement in lawfulness education programmes in formal and informal educational settings | 31/3/2024 *Subject to Annual Funding Availability from DOJ/TPP | **Planned** |
| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **(Ear-Marked) TEO Planned Intervention Funding** *(Subject to annual approval & allocation)* | - Funding administrated by EA Youth Service on behalf of TEO for the delivery of Planned Interventions projects which;<br>- provides diversionary activities for young people at risk<br>- provides alternative programmes during periods of heighten community tension | 31/3/2024 *Subject to Annual Funding Availability from TEO | **Planned** |
| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **(Ear-Marked) TEO TBUC Camps Funding** *(Subject to annual approval & allocation)* | - Funding administrated by EA Youth Service on behalf of TBUC Camps for the delivery ----<br>- provide good relations activities between children and young people from different backgrounds or communities<br>- provide residential/day activity experiences for children and young people which fosters a greater understanding of culture, background and identity | 31/3/2024 *Subject to Annual Funding Availability from TEO | **Planned** |
| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **Generic/Non-Targeted Funding** | - Funding provided to organisations operated solely by volunteers for the delivery of universal provision for children and young people | Ongoing | **Planned** |

| Key Area for Action | We will Deliver (Output) | Outcomes | Target Completion Date | Target Status |
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| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **Local Area Based Funding** | - Local Area Based Funding Provided based on assessed need to support;<br>- Centre Based Provision<br>- Outreach and Detached Youth Work<br>- Area Based Youth Work | Ongoing | **Planned** |
| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **Local Project Funding** | - Local Project Funded Provided based on assessed need to Delivery Local Based Projects with Children and Young People to Support;<br>- Section 75 Groups<br>- Marginalised Children and Young People<br>- Barriers to Participation<br>- Educational Underachievement<br>- Rurality | Ongoing | **Planned** |
| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **(Ear-Marked) Youth Cultural Expressions Programme (YCEP)** *(Subject to annual approval & allocation)* | - Funding administrated by EA Youth Service on behalf of DE for the delivery of Youth Cultural Expressions Programme linked to Bonfire Sites;<br>- provides diversionary activities for young people at risk<br>- provides alternative programmes during periods of heighten community tension | 31/12/23 | **Planned** |
| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **Monitoring DE Support Youth work in Community and Voluntary Sector** | - Monitoring visits to ensure funding is delivered in line with the terms and conditions of relevant funding stream or scheme<br>- Vouching and Receipting voluntary allocated funding in line with EA internal Audit and terms of the stream or scheme | Ongoing | **Planned** |
| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **Regional Development Funding** | - Regional Development Funding Provided based on assessed need to support;<br>- Workforce Development<br>- Volunteer Development<br>- Resources for Practice Delivery<br>- Research and Pilot new practice areas | Ongoing | **Planned** |

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| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **Regional Project Funding** | - Regional Project Funded Provided based on assessed need and within resources to Delivery Regional (or Locality Based) Projects with Children and Young People to Support;<br>- Section 75 Groups<br>- Marginalised Children and Young People<br>- Barriers to Participation<br>- Educational Underachievement<br>- Rurality | Ongoing | **Planned** |
| Funding for Regional and Local Voluntary Youth Organisations | **Regional Strategic Funding** | - Review Of impact of Regional Strategic Funding<br>- Funding allocated to Regional Youth Headquarter Organisations to provide support to local EA funded youth Organisations in the areas of;<br>- Governance<br>- Safeguarding and Child Protection<br>- Workforce Development<br>- Youth Work Curriculum<br>- Delivery of Quality Assured Youth Work | Ongoing | **Planned** |