

Moray Single Outcome Agreement - National outcome 5.

Our children have the best start in life and are ready to succeed.

Local Context

Most children in Moray have a good start in life and go on to enjoy success in their early adult lives, but childhood in Moray is not without its challenges. The combination of low average incomes and the higher costs associated with rurality has a significant impact on a number of young people. While Moray is below the national average in relation to child poverty there is a high rate of dental decay which is compounded by difficulties which the area has in attracting dentists.

Corporate Parenting

In August 2004 there were 2,700 children who were living in poverty in Moray, equivalent to 16% of the population, which is below the national average. Moray also has a below average of lone parent households with dependent children 3.5% (6.9% for Scotland). Moray has 262 school pupils in the 11-20% most deprived decile of the SIMD 2007.

Recently there have been increasing numbers of Polish and Portuguese families coming to the area for economic reasons, and there has been an increase of 15% in pupils from ethnic minority groups. There are 559 pupils in Moray from minority ethnic groups which is 4.3% compared to 8.6% nationally. There are 246 pupils whose main home language is neither English, Gaelic, Scots Doric nor Sign Language, which is less than the national average. Moray has 35 languages and 185 pupils with English as a second language. The top 5 languages being Polish, German, Portuguese, Punjabi and Cantonese.

Early intervention

There is a 100% uptake of pre-school education for 3 year olds which is slightly better than national and comparator group. For 4 years olds there is a 99% uptake which is the national average but slightly below the comparator group.

Moray has 25.4 per 1,000 population rate assessed and/or declared as having a disability compared to 15.8 per 1,000 population nationally. Primary pupils with Additional Support Needs (Record of Needs, Co-ordinated Support Plan and/or Individual Education Plan are in line with the national average (4.9% in Moray and 4.8 nationally). Moray has a slightly higher number of secondary pupils with Additional Support Needs at 4.8% compared to 4.3% nationally.

Since 2003 the MIDAS programme offered 59 pre-school co-ordinated support to children with complex needs. In 2007 there are currently 11 pre-school children receiving support, 10 have "graduated" from the programme and 6 new referrals have been received.

In 2007, Moray Childcare Partnership provided holiday play scheme provision for 15 children aged 5-12 with complex additional needs who attended daily. 14 children with additional support needs were supported to take part in leisure activities.

| Local outcomes | Relevant Indicators | Frequency / Type / Source | Baseline (2006/07) | Local Targets & Timescales |
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| <p>Children's early years development, learning and care experiences will improve</p> | <p>L4. Reduction in childhood poverty</p> | <p>Department of Work and Pensions, Information Directorate</p> | <p>At August 2004, there were 2700 children that met the criteria. This was 16% of the relevant population..</p> <p>The Scottish average was 22%</p> <p>Moray figures – of the 13,002 pupils in Publicly funded Schools there are 246 pupils (1.9%) languages in Moray Schools is 35.</p> <p>Scottish figures – of the 692,215 pupils in Publicly funded schools there are 23,640 pupils (3.4%). Number of languages in Scottish Schools is 138.</p> | <p>There will be a reduction in the number of children experiencing childhood poverty</p> |
| <p>Improve the healthy development of young children and their families, particularly those at most risk by recognising needs early and providing appropriate support</p> | <p>Number of Pupils whose main home language is neither English, Gaelic, Scots Doric nor Sign Language receiving support.</p> <p>M Pre-school Education Children attending pre-school education</p> <p>Number of requirements highlighted in Integrated Pre-school inspection reports that are satisfied within the time periods specified</p> | <p>Statistical Bulletin Pupils in Scotland 2007 – Published in Feb 2008 – Table 5.8 P48</p> <p>www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/213387/0056683.pdf</p> <p>Scottish Government Statistics Notice – Placing Request in Local Authority Schools</p> <p>HMIE & Care Commission Integrated Inspections</p> | <p>3 Year Olds Moray 100% Comparators 96% National 96%</p> <p>4 Year Olds Moray 99% Comparators 102% National 99%</p> <p>To be established in 08/09</p> | <p>All parents requesting pre school education will be provided with a place for their child</p> <p>All requirements are addressed within set timescale</p> |

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| <p>Improve the healthy development of young children and their families, particularly those at most risk by recognising needs early and providing appropriate support (continued)</p> | <p>N11. 60% of school children in primary 1 will have no signs of dental disease by 2010</p> | <p>Moray draft Joint Health Improvement plan (Need to distinguish between orthodontic extractions and dental caries.)</p> | <p>During Apr 2006-Mar 2007, 200 children attended Dr Gray's hospital for dental extraction under general anaesthetic</p> <p>Dental hospital admissions among children in Moray are 5% worse than the Scottish average.</p> | <p>60% of school children in primary 1 will have no signs of dental disease by 2010</p> |
| | <p>N16. Increase healthy life expectancy at birth in the most deprived areas</p> | <p>Scottish Government – Publications/2007 Scottish Government – Publications/2006</p> | <p>Baseline 2005/06 gives Women – 59 years Men – 57.3 years</p> | <p>Increase healthy life expectancy at birth in the most deprived areas</p> |
| | <p>L11. Proportion of live singleton births of low birth weight</p> | <p>Scottish Executive – Communities and Living Site – Pls to be established</p> | <p>No Moray figures. Figures over Scotland static since mid 1980s at around 2.5% of births.</p> | <p>Reduce the proportion of live singleton births of low birth weight</p> |
| <p>The risk of exclusion will be reduced by caring for and supporting Children</p> | <p>Proportion of new-born children exclusively breast-fed at 6-8 weeks</p> | <p>NHS Grampian, HEAT measure</p> | <p>26.6% Grampian at 33.4%</p> | <p>Increase proportion of new-born children exclusively breast-fed at 6-8 weeks</p> |
| | <p>Primary Pupils with Additional Support Needs, 2007</p> | <p>Pupils in Scotland 2007 – Scottish Government Statistics Notice</p> | <p>Record of Needs 53 Co-ordinated Support Plan 56 Individualised Educational Programme 237</p> | <p>Through the provision of additional support all pupils have access to an appropriate curriculum.</p> |
| <p>In Moray, 346 primary pupils have RoN, CSP and/or IEP, 4.9% of all primary pupils (vs 4.8% Scottish average)</p> | | | | |

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| <p>The risk of exclusion will be reduced by caring for and supporting Children</p> | <p>Secondary Pupils with Additional Support Needs, 2007</p> | <p>Pupils in Scotland 2007 – Scottish Government Statistics Notice</p> | <p>Record of Needs 153 Co-ordinated Support Plan 34 Individualised Educational Programme 100 In Moray, 287 secondary pupils have RoN, CSP and/or IEP, 4.8% of all secondary pupils (vs 4.3% Scottish average)</p> | <p>Ensure all children with additional support needs have access to appropriate support</p> |
| <p>Required Actions/commitment by local partners for these outcomes</p> | <p>No of children in MIDAS programme</p> | <p>Children & Young People's Partnership, 17 May 2007</p> | <p>11 pre-school children receiving support, 10 have "graduated" from the programme 6 new referrals have been received.</p> | <p>All children referred to the MIDAS programme will have their needs fully assessed.</p> |
| <p>Early Years' development, learning and care experiences</p> | <p>Review bi-lingual support provision to take account of increased enrolment of non-English speakers</p> | <p>Project</p> | <p>Objectives/Comment – 08/09 Educational Services service Improvement plan priority</p> | <p>Lead TMC Year 08/09</p> |
| <p>Health development</p> | <p>Review youth intervention initiatives</p> | <p>Council priority</p> | <p>TMC</p> | <p>08/09</p> |
| | <p>All children 0-5 participating in Play @ Home</p> | <p>NHSG priority</p> | <p>NHSG</p> | <p>08/09</p> |
| | <p>Develop dental facilities in Moray</p> | <p>NHSG priority</p> | <p>NHSG</p> | <p>08/09</p> |
| | <p>Implement Childsmile programme</p> | <p>NHSG priority</p> | <p>NHSG</p> | <p>08/09</p> |
| | <p>Implement Unicef infant feeding programme</p> | <p>NHSG priority</p> | <p>NHSG</p> | <p>08/09</p> |

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| Children cared for and supported | Continue and develop the Moray Surestart Programme directed at the under 5s. | Educational Services service Improvement plan priority | TMC | 08/09 |
| | Strengthen provision in specific areas (autism, challenging behaviour) | Educational Services service Improvement plan priority | TMC | 08/09 |
| | Roll out Solution Oriented School Programme across Moray | Educational Services service Improvement plan priority | TMC | 08/09 |
| | Develop integrated work to ensure effective integrated assessment framework is in place and utilised to deliver integrated services for children and young people | Educational Services service Improvement plan priority | TMC | 08/09 |
| Scottish Government required action/commitment to support delivery of local outcome | | | | |