

Validated Self Evaluation (VSE)

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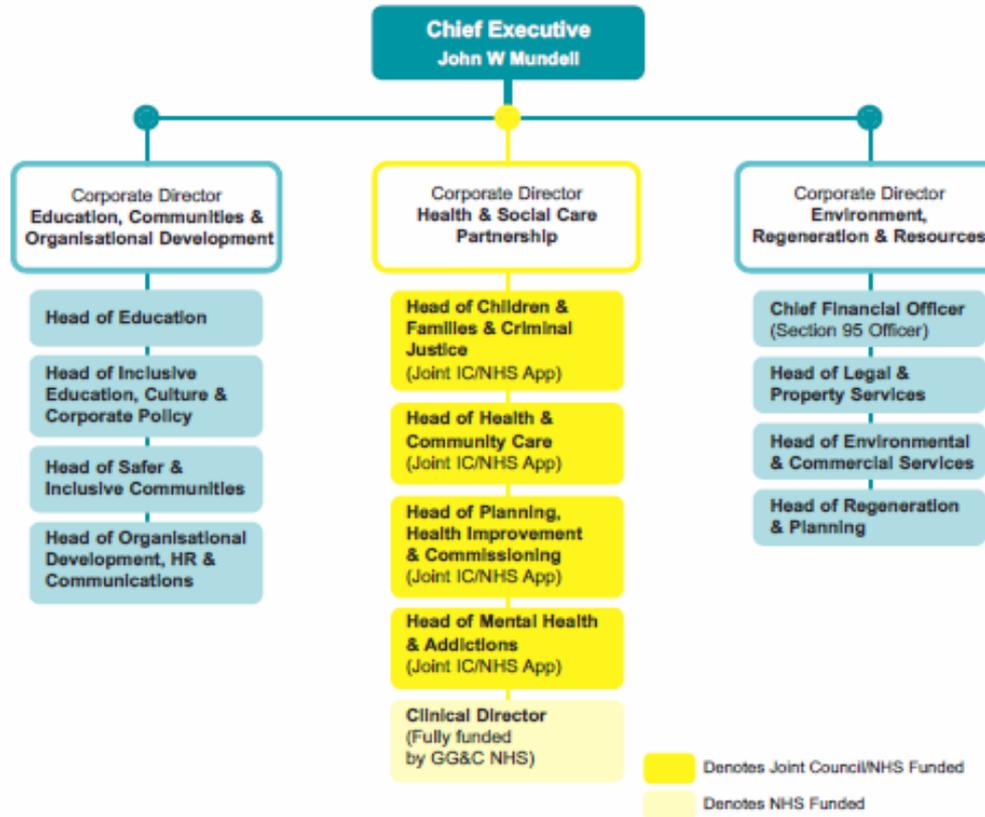


Our Wellbeing Outcomes

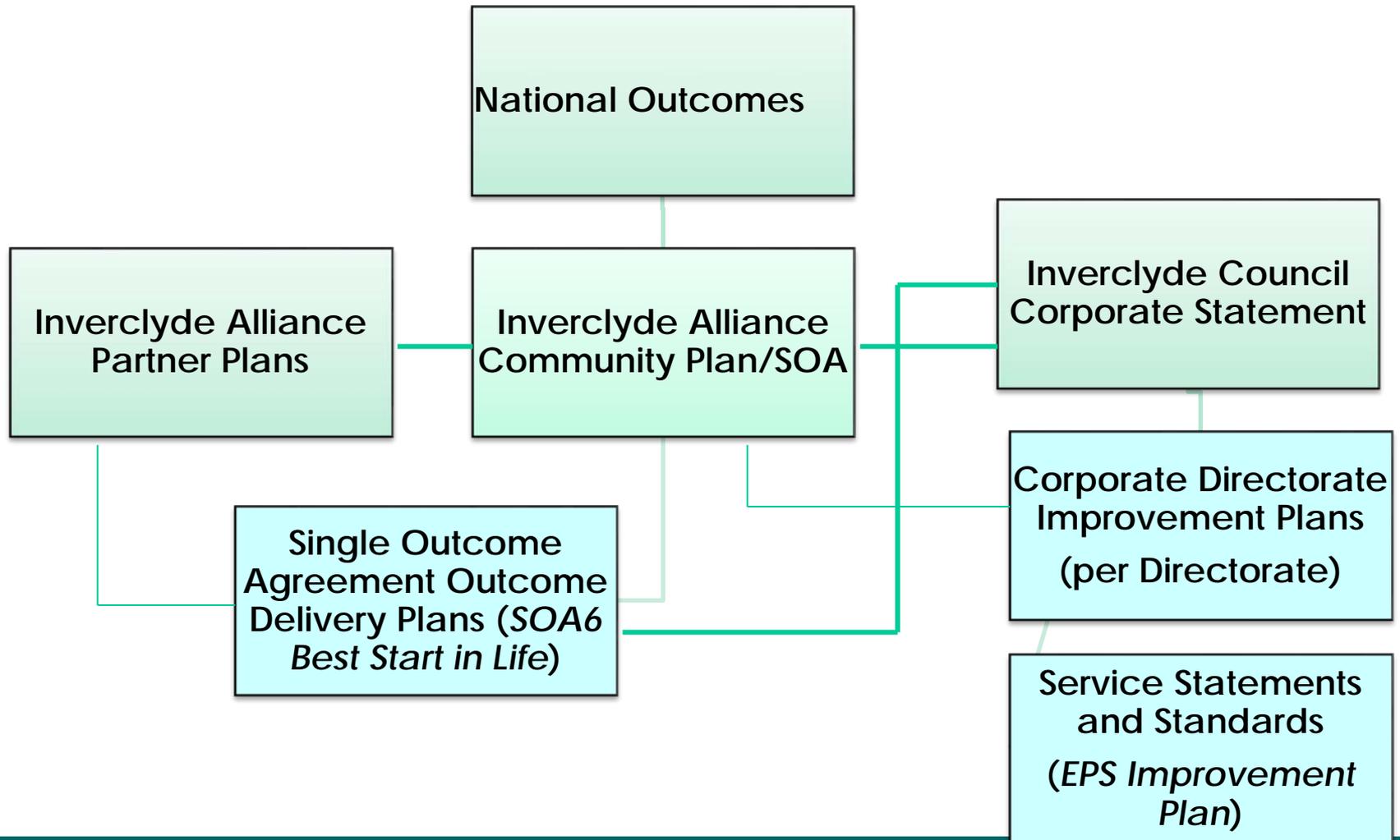


Inverclyde Council – Corporate Management Structure

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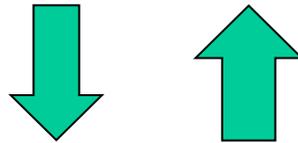
Strategic Planning Framework



Planning for Improvement in Inverclyde

Where are we now?	Where do we want to be?	How will we get there ?	How will we know we are getting there?	Who is responsible?	Progress
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Corporate Directorate Improvement Planning



EPS Operational Improvement planning

**Strategic Priority 1:
Promote Inclusion & Equality**

SP1.1 Children & Young People Act H2 / 2014 **On Track**

SP1.2 Literacy Hub H1 / 2015 **Complete**

SP1.3 Literacy / Dyslexia H1 / 2015 **Complete**

SP1.4 Numeracy H1 / 2015 **Complete**

SP1.5 PATHs H2 / 2014 **On Track**

SP1.6 Training for Outreach EYLC in I CAN H2 / 2013 **On Track**

SP1.7 Communication Friendly Schools H2 / 2014 **On Track**

SP1.8 SHAHRP H2 / 2014 **On Track**

SP1.9 Continuous Improvement Team H2 / 2014 **Slight Slippage**

SP1.10 Maximising Resources & Vulnerable Young Children H1 / 2015 **Complete**

SP1.11 Early Years / Nurturing Collaborative H2 / 2014 **On Track**

SP1.12 Develop Use of Letterbox H1 / 2015 **Complete**

**Strategic Priority 2:
Capacity Building**

SP2.1 Restorative Approaches H2 / 2014 **On Track**

SP2.2 Nurturing Establishments H2 / 2014 **On Track**

SP2.3 ABLe H1 / 2015 **Complete**

SP2.4 NQTs H2 / 2014 **On Track**

SP2.5 ASN(A)s H2 / 2014 **On Track**

SP2.6 Solution Orientated Approaches H2 / 2014 **Slight Slippage**

SP2.7 Inverclyde Communication Outreach Service H1 / 2015 **Complete**

**Strategic Priority 3:
Service Evaluation & Service Improvement**

SP3.1 Stakeholder Engagement H2 / 2014 **Slight Slippage**

SP3.2 Quality Assurance Policy H2 / 2014 **Slight Slippage**

SP3.3 Inverclyde Performs H1 / 2015 **Complete**

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Educational Psychology Service Team

- 1 Principal Educational Psychologist
- 2 Depute Principal Psychologists
- 1 Senior Psychologist
- 4 FTE Main Grade Psychologists (5 EPs)
- Clerical Staff

Inverclyde Context

- Mid Year Population Estimate (2013):
80,310
(16.5% approx 0-15 years)
- 40% Inverclyde datazones are in most deprived 15% in Scotland
- 12.7% Inverclyde datazones are in the most deprived 5% in Scotland

SIMD 2012

Educational Establishments

- **Early Years Establishments (*early learning and child care*)**
19 establishments / nurseries
 - 9 Children and Family Centres
 - 8 Nursery classes (1 Gaelic nursery)
 - 2 Nursery schools
 - 5 Partnership Nurseries
- **Primary**
20 schools (Gaelic provision)
5482 pupils approx (2014/15)
- **Secondary**
6 schools
4375 pupils approx (2014/15)
- **ASN provision**
Craigmarloch, Lomond View Academy, (Hillend, EYLC)
- **Support bases**
School Aged Language Support Base
ASD support bases (primary and secondary)
HI primary and secondary

Impact on Children and Young People

Attainment

In the three authorities with the highest levels of deprivation, Inverclyde clearly stands out for its generally positive picture of attainment (Scottish Survey of Achievement 2006)

2013/14	S4	Nat 4 – 95% of presentations at this level passed Nat 5 – 83% of presentations at this level passed
	S5	50% pupils achieved 1+ Higher (45% in 2012/13) 26% pupils achieved 3+ Highers 12% pupils achieved 5+ Highers (most in 7 years)

Leaver destinations 2013/14:

	Inverclyde	National
Higher education	36.9%	38.6%
Further education	30.7%	26.3%
Training	3.8%	4.1%
Employment	21.1%	21.7%
Negative destinations	6.0%	7.7%

of 796 leavers

Attendance

Inverclyde has shown an improving trend for both primary and secondary.

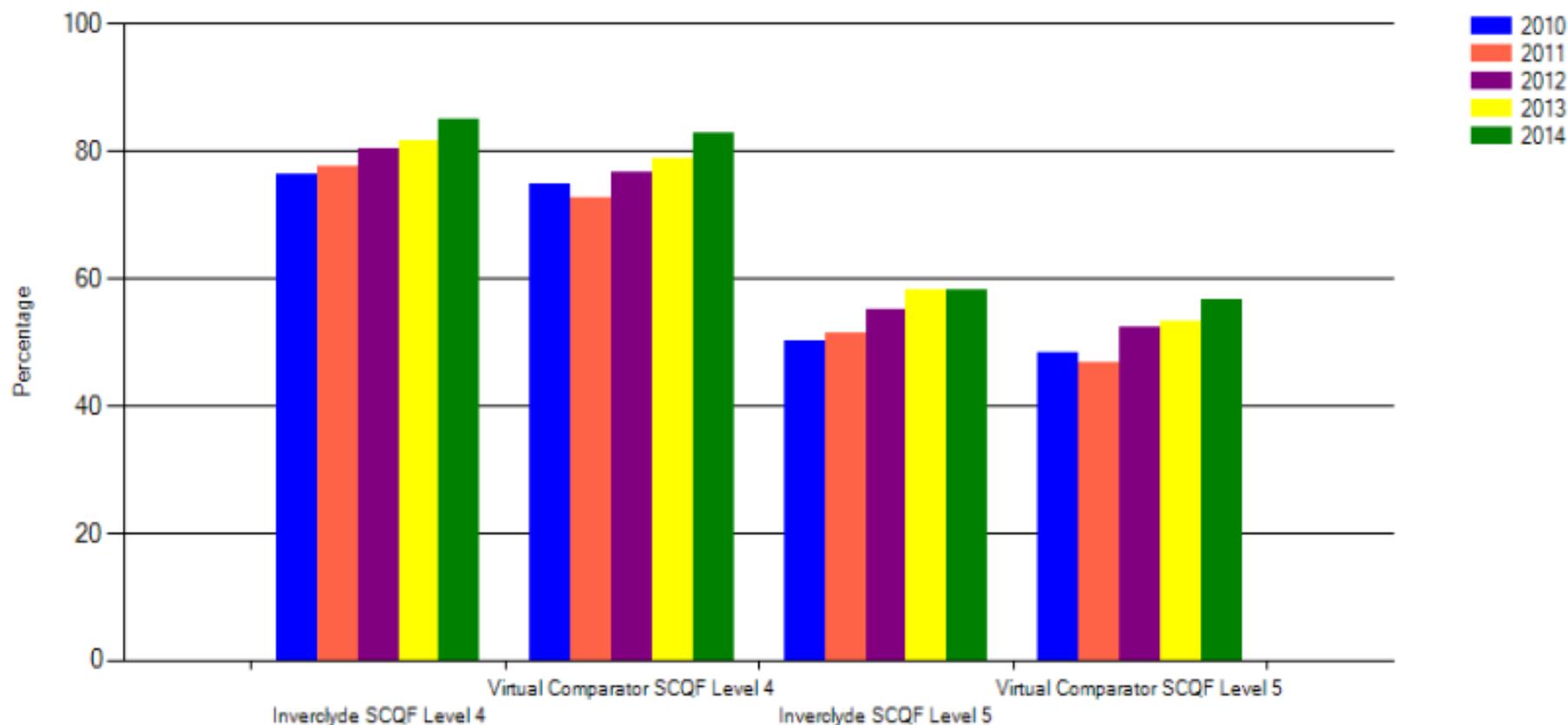
	Primary	Secondary
1998	94.5%	85.7%
2014	95.0%	91.7%

National Benchmarking Measure: Literacy and Numeracy

To change the cohort of candidates who contribute, use the [Candidate Characteristic Filters](#)

Improving attainment in literacy and numeracy

Percentage of Leavers Attaining Literacy and Numeracy



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Performance in Literacy and Numeracy at SCQF Level 5, 2013 is greater than your Virtual Comparator
Performance in Literacy and Numeracy at SCQF Level 4, 2011 is greater than your Virtual Comparator
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National Benchmarking Measure: Leaver Initial Destinations

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Increasing post-school participation

Percentage of School Leavers in a Positive Destination



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Your percentage of leavers in a positive destination is much greater than your Virtual Comparator in 2012/13

Your percentage of leavers in a positive destination is much greater than your Virtual Comparator in 2011/12

Your percentage of leavers in a positive destination is greater than your Virtual Comparator in 2009/10

National Benchmarking Measure: Improving Attainment for All

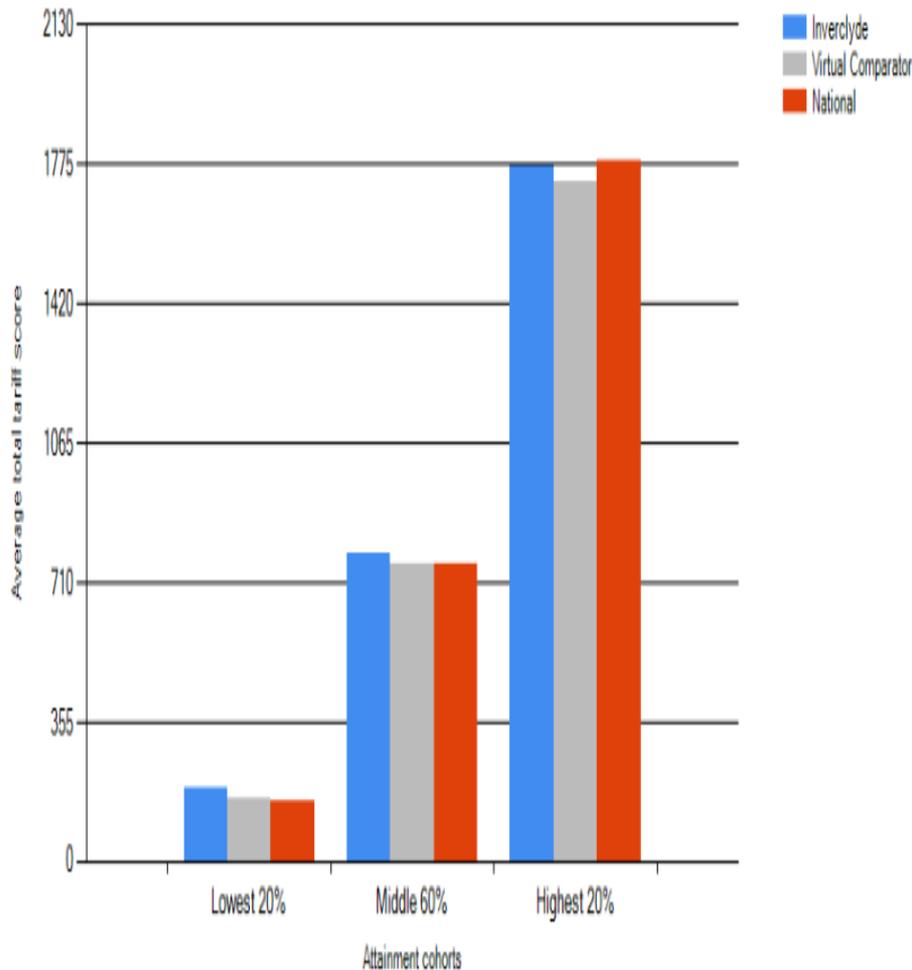
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The selected year is 2013

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Improving attainment for all

Average Total Tariff Score



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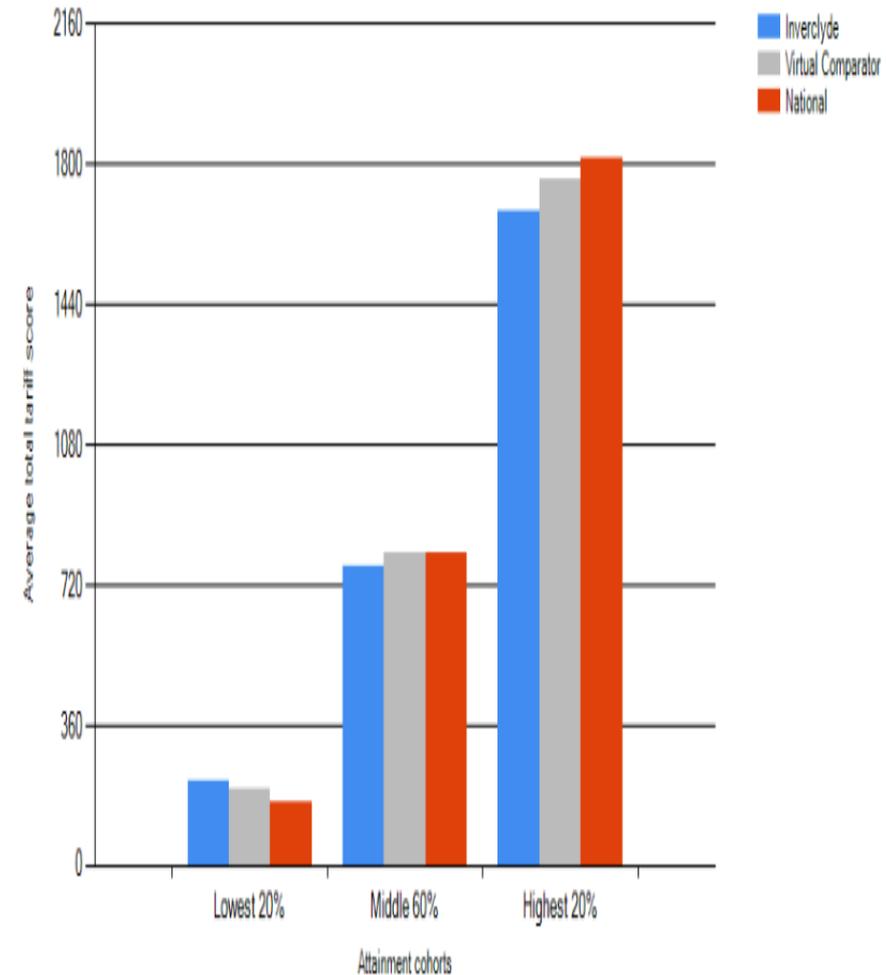
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How good was our Educational Psychology Service in 2010?

HMIe report 2010

Key strengths

- Strong leadership and sense of direction
- Promising start to redesign to improve impact
- Strong trusting relationships with chldn, parents
- Initiated development of robust operational planning linked to corporate objectives

Points for action

- Develop more universal approach to our work
- Put in place robust self-evaluation framework to ensure continuous improvement
- Become better at identifying areas in which EPS could be effective
- Build staff capacity to deliver full range of EPS service

Key Priority

Improving the impact of Educational Psychology Service on the outcomes for **all** children and young people in Inverclyde

a universal and inclusive service delivery model

Where are we now? - Overarching strengths

- **Clear, shared vision** across the whole team with strong focus on **equality**, the voice of the child, young person and their family/carers
- Major focus on our most vulnerable children and young people in particular, our looked after children and young people
- **Strong partnership working** focused upon improved outcomes for children and young people

Where are we now? - Overarching strengths

- **Strong distributed leadership** capability throughout the team
- **National recognition** of individual team members for their contribution, knowledge and skills
- **Continuous improvement** through robust self-evaluation (Inverclyde Performs)

Where are we now? - Overarching strengths

Clear model for the design and implementation of a range of interventions with **a focus on sustainability and impact** e.g.

- Restorative approaches
- Nurturing approaches
- Solution oriented approaches
- PATHS (Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies)
- MVP (Mentors in Violence Prevention)
- Reciprocal teaching

Our priorities for improvement

- **Strengthening our level of self evaluation** to ensure that it is built into all activities with a continued focus on sustainability outcomes and impact
- **Extend our contribution at a strategic level** through disseminating knowledge of research to inform policy and practice developments – Scottish Attainment Challenge, closing the gap

Themed areas for VSE fieldwork phase

Theme 1 : Learning and Teaching

'Consider the impact of nurturing approaches on learning and teaching'

Learning and Teaching

- Need identified by Head of Service and Principal EP through exclusion visits to schools
- Initially, individual school based intervention
- Need for a cross-authority resource to provide a consistent model that was sustainable and evidenced based
- Nurture resource pack produced by implementation group led by EPS

Learning and Teaching Theme - group members

- Laurence Reilly – Lead EPS
- Julie Hall – Nurture Teacher St Andrews
- Jayne Johnson – EPS
- Susan Mitchell – Child Protection Lead Officer
- Andrea Montgomery – EPS
- Margaret Nash - EPS
- Linda Wilkie - Quality Improvement Manager

Themed areas for VSE fieldwork phase

Partnership working theme

'Consider the implementation of solution oriented meetings as a model for partnership working to improve outcomes for children, young people and families'

Partnership Working

- Need to improve planning about outcomes for children and young people from meetings
- Need to promote parent/carer engagement in meetings
- Need for the pupil voice to be more fully represented at meetings
- Need for a consistent approach to support effective partnership working

Partnership Working Theme - group members

- Paula Dudgeon (lead) – EPS
- Claire Alexander - Team Leader CLD
- Sheena Beaton – Quality Improvement Officer
- Madge Hashegan – EPS
- Karen McCready – Corporate Policy Officer
- Karen McPherson – EPS
- Amy Mundy - Adoption and Permanence (HSCP)

