

EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCILCABINET1 December 2016Report by Deputy Chief ExecutiveYOUNG PERSONS SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to advise the Cabinet of the performance of Young Person Services during the 2015-16 school year.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

2. The Cabinet is asked to note the performance of Young Persons Services and agree the areas for improvement that will be worked on over the coming year.

**BACKGROUND**

3. Young Persons Services is the core service for youth work in East Renfrewshire and is part of the Corporate and Community Services Department. Youth work is one of the three core elements of Community Learning & Development (along with adult learning and community capacity building) and is subject to inspection by Education Scotland.

4. Following a March 2011 Learning Community Inspection a small number of improvement actions were identified, one of which was that Young Persons Service should produce an annual report for elected members and other stakeholders. This year's we have produced a digital annual report made up of four 1-2 minute animations. The combined seven minute video is posted online [here](#).

**AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT**

5. While the overall participation and award numbers this year are the best ever there has been a small drop in the numbers of disadvantaged young people participating and achieving award. This year it proposed that improvement work focusing on encouraging and support more disadvantaged young people to participate in youth work programmes and secure achievements.

**FINANCIAL AND EFFICIENCY IMPLICATIONS**

6. There are no financial and efficiency implications.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

7. The Cabinet is asked to note the performance of Young Persons Services and agree the areas for improvement set out in paragraph 5.

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