City of London Corporation Committee Report

Committee: Community and Children's Services Committee	**Dated:** 24 November 2026
Subject: The Children and Young People's Plan 2026-29	**Public report:** For Decision
This proposal: • **delivers Corporate Plan 2024-29 outcomes** • **provides statutory duties** • **provides business enabling functions**	Diverse engaged communities. Providing excellent services.
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	No
If so, how much?	N/A
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	N/A
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Summary

The City of London's Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) 2026-29 replaces the CYPP 2022-25. The CYPP 2026-29 sets out our vision and aspirations for all children and young people who live in the City of London or who are in the care of the City of London Corporation (City Corporation). It also states our high-level outcomes for children and young people. Strategies, action plans and service delivery plans sit below the CYPP and provide the detail of how we will deliver against these outcomes.

Recommendation

Members are asked to:

- Approve the City of London's Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) 2026-29.

Main Report

Background

1. The CYPP is not a statutory document but the City Corporation and partners value its role in providing a shared vision for children and young people in the City of London, or those who are in the care of the City Corporation but may live outside of the City of London.

2. The CYPP 2026-29 replaces the CYPP 2022-25 and fits within the lifetime of the City of London Corporation's (City Corporation) Corporate Plan 2024-29. It also aligns with the City of London Joint Strategic Needs Assessment 2026.

3. The CYPP 2026-29 sits within the context of national children's social care reform and a national government shift towards a greater focus on outcomes frameworks. The high-level outcomes align with national developments around an outcomes framework for Best Start Family Hubs.

Current Position

4. The CYPP 2026-29 states our shared vision that children and young people who live in the City of London or who are in the care of the City Corporation have the best start in life and get the right support when they need it as they move into adulthood.

5. It sets out five high-level outcomes, that children and young people:

    - are and feel safe
    - are physically healthy
    - are happy with good emotional wellbeing and mental health
    - can learn in a way that works for them and have access to activities and opportunities that support their development
    - experience positive relationships and feel part of their community

6. The CYPP is also underpinned by a set of principles and ways of working.

7. The CYPP 2026-29 was developed based on the emerging national outcomes framework for Best Start Family Hubs and insight and feedback from families and young people who live in the City of London. On the whole, feedback from families and young people was positive, supporting the high-level outcomes and ways of working. Feedback from parents and carers on hopes for children and young people has been included in the CYPP. Feedback from young people, parents and carers on services and activities in the City of London has been summarised in the CYPP and will be used to inform the support and services on offer to children and young people, and their families.

8. The CYPP 2026-29 moves away from having its own action plan, (as the 2022-25 CYPP did), to becoming the overarching document that supports strategies, action plans and service development plans relating to children and young people. This avoids duplication of action plans and places a stronger focus on an outcomes-based approach.

9. The Children's Partnership Board – which brings together senior leaders from the City Corporation's Department of Community and Children's Services and partners including the City of London Police, Public Health, Health and Partnership for Young London – has oversight of the CYPP. Progress of activity will be reported annually to the Safeguarding and SEND Sub-committee, except where urgency requires more timely Member oversight.

10. A commitment to equity, equality, diversity and inclusion, as well as anti-racist practice is included in the CYPP. An Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) test of relevance has been completed (Appendix 3).

Corporate & Strategic Implications

11. Strategic implications – the CYPP 2026-29 aligns with and will support the delivery of the Corporate Plan 2024-2029.

12. Financial implications – none.

13. Resource implications – none.

14. Legal implications – none.

15. Risk implications – none.

16. Equalities implications – An EIA test of relevance was completed in August 2026. The CYPP 2026-29 is underpinned by principles including 'reduce inequalities by driving equity, equality, diversity and communities that are inclusive of all'. Ways of working include anti-racist practice which challenges discrimination.

17. Climate implications – none.

18. Security implications – none.

Conclusion

19. The CYPP 2026-29 provides a unifying and shared vision for all children and young people who live in the City of London, or who are in the care of the City Corporation. It underpins delivery documents and will enable partners to identify where children and young people are being supported to achieve high-level outcomes, but also help identify gaps that need addressing.

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – CYPP 2026-29
- Appendix 2 – CYPP 2026-29 Easy Read version
- Appendix 3 – Equality Impact Assessment test of relevance

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