

SCHOOL AGE CHILDCARE

Access to Childcare Showcase Event

October 2022

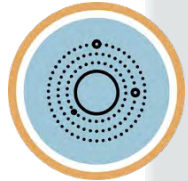
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Commitments

Programme for Government
2021-22



We will build a system of wraparound school age childcare by the end of this Parliament, providing care before and after school, all year round, and supporting parents – particularly on low incomes – to have secure and stable employment.

Those on the lowest incomes will pay nothing, and others will make fair and affordable contributions.

This offer will also reduce inequalities in access to a range of activities around about the school day, particularly for those children who may benefit most.

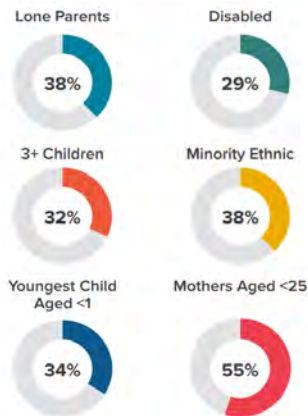
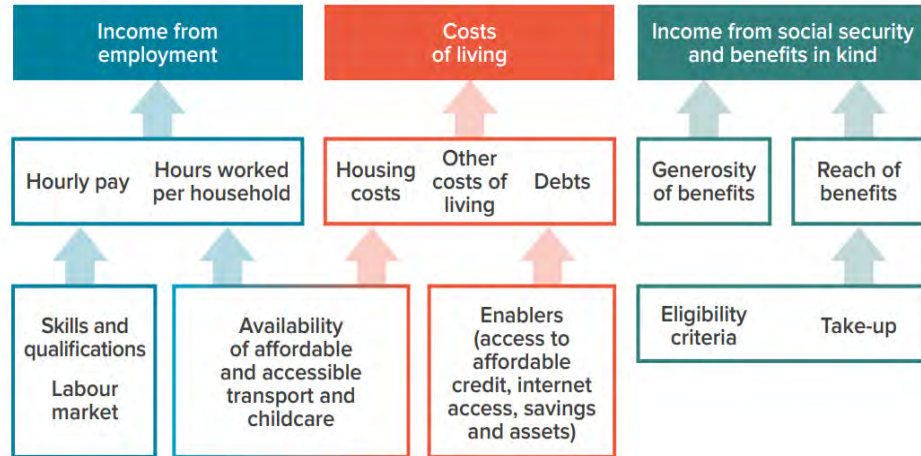
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We will invest £20 million to design and test options for all-year-round school-age childcare systems that meet the needs of children and families.

Why?

Tackling Poverty



Improving Outcomes for Children

Focus on reducing inequalities which exist in access to activities for many children.

Exploring connections to

- GIRFEC
- Scottish Attainment Challenge 2
- Pupil Equity Funding
- The Promise
- National Strategy for Economic Transformation
- COVID Recovery Strategy

Service-level projects



Access to Childcare Fund

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Access to Childminding

Community-level projects

Struggling families with primary kids helped in £1m expanded scheme

A roll-out of similar provisions in other parts of Scotland is expected from April 2023.



Low income families in four areas will be helped with the cost of childcare for primary school children.

Ministers have pledged £1m to expand services in parts of Dundee, Glasgow, Clackmannanshire and Inverclyde.

It means that low-income families will receive help with the cost of care outside of school hours, with some families having to pay nothing at all as a result of the initiative.

Building on existing tackling child poverty initiatives

This year, projects will start work in:

- Alloa, Clackmannanshire
- Linlathen, Dundee
- Drumchapel & Carntyne, Glasgow
- Port Glasgow, Inverclyde

Community-level tests of change – 23/24

Partnership Working

- making best use of existing cross-sectoral capacity within LA areas

Childcare element

- how can this be done most effectively making best use of available provision

Targeting

- what do we mean and how do we do it most effectively, avoiding stigma

Place Based

- opportunities to target services to specific areas of deprivation

Coordination

- level of coordination of access to food, activities and childcare, as well as wider family support etc across LAs

Food

- driving up capacity to deliver in conjunction with activities or childcare

Overcoming barriers to participation

- particularly on transport and rurality; particular demographics eg children with ASN and BME families

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