

ELC Expansion Programme Update (January 2020)

1. DELIVERY ASSURANCE

Progress Reporting

The latest [delivery progress report](#) was considered by the Joint Delivery Board on 17 December 2019, and was published later that week. This report gives an overview of the delivery progress as at September 2019. The data show that over 49,000 children are now receiving more than 600 funded hours; a huge achievement. Recruitment and capacity indicators have also progressed well. The report is available on the Scottish Government and Improvement Service websites.

Adam and Lisa will feed back to councils in due course with continued engagement on KHub.

The Improvement Service continue to visit and offer specific support to local authorities as requested. Support includes the development of supply and demand analysis to prioritise capital programmes, risk analysis workshops and the creation and evaluation of contingency plans.

If you'd like to know more about any of the above, then please get in touch with the team at the Improvement Service.

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Key contact points

As we move closer to August 2020, authorities are working incredibly hard to prepare for delivery of 1140 hours. In the delivery assurance team, we are very keen to ensure that we are available to provide any support that we can through the next eight months ensuring that all authorities have a clear route to contact the team.

To that end, we have provided a dedicated, named contact point in the team for each authority. This person will be available if you have any questions or concerns and will also be able to co-ordinate and streamline requests for information from the Scottish Government. All authorities have taken part in phone calls in December/and January to start this process, and will be contacted at regular intervals going forward.

Contact: *Hannah Keates* Hannah.Keates@gov.scot

Local Authority ELC KHub Group

For sharing, collaboration and learning about the expansion there's an online Knowledge Hub group dedicated to ELC for local authorities.

You'll find:

- discussions on various aspects of the expansion
- a range of documents – such as these monthly programme updates and regular delivery progress reports
- supporting resources – such as the 'Early Learning and Childcare Entitlement Campaign 2020 Digital toolkit'

- notification of events – such as the ‘Creating inspiring learning communities: making work thrive for under 3s’ event at the end of January
- presentations and videos from previous events – such as the Partnership Forum Summit
- recorded webinars
- case studies – such as the ‘Partnership with West Lothian Council and West Lothian College’
- news – a weekly roundup of links to ELC news stories

If you'd like to find out more, please get in touch with John or register on the Knowledge Hub at <https://www.khub.net> and request to join [Early Learning and Childcare \(ELC\) Expansion Scotland: Local Authorities](#).

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Infrastructure and Contingency Planning

Following the infrastructure contingency planning workshop that SFT led in October 2019, a supporting note was jointly developed with input from the local authority participants, Care Inspectorate, ADES Resources and SFT. This note has been circulated to all local authorities.

If you would like further support with infrastructure contingency planning, please contact the SFT team.

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2. PROGRAMME-WIDE ACTIVITIES

Communications and Engagement

The Communications and Engagement Manager, in partnership with COSLA, met with local authority communication leads to discuss the recently launched national parental marketing campaign, infrastructure comms and other local communications around the ELC expansion. We continue to share messages about the expansion on Twitter and encourage you to follow us @ELCScotGov and use our hashtag #TeamELC.

Joint Delivery Board

The Joint Delivery Board met on 17 December at Pollokshields Early Years Centre where members considered updated local authority data on progress towards implementing the expanded hours across the country and discussed the support being provided by Scottish Government, Scottish Futures Trust and Improvement Service. The next Joint Delivery Board meeting will be held on 17 March in North Ayrshire.

More information on the Board can be found at <https://www.gov.scot/groups/early-learning-and-childcare-joint-delivery-board/>.

Contact: JDB secretariat, Mariah Campbell Mariah.Campbell@gov.scot

3. FUNDING FOLLOWS THE CHILD

Guidance documents

Funding Follows the Child and the National Standard for Early Learning and Childcare Providers will be introduced in August 2020. All the policy and guidance documents are available [here](#). This includes the technical guidance notes developed by Scotland Excel, were published on 29 April 2019 and cover Guidance for Setting Sustainable Rates from August 2020; Guidance on Meeting Criteria 7 – Business Sustainability; and Transition Options Guidance on Contracting.

In November 2019 Scotland Excel also made available template terms and conditions, and supporting tender documentation, that local authorities can draw on as they develop their commissioning approaches ahead of the introduction of the expanded entitlement and Funding Follows the Child in August 2020. The final versions of these documents can be found on the [Knowledge Hub](#), and local authorities can also access through the members' area of the Scotland Excel website. If you are not signed up to the Knowledge Hub then copies can be requested from Fundingfollowsthechild@gov.scot.

Contact: Fundingfollowsthechild@gov.scot or **Euan Carmichael** 0131 244 9923 / Euan.Carmichael@gov.scot

ELC Statutory Guidance Refresh

The Scottish Government launched a consultation on the updated [Early Learning and Childcare Statutory Guidance](#) on 20 December 2019. The consultation will run until 4 March 2020.

The Guidance will support local authorities in exercising their functions in relation to the delivery of ELC from 1 August 2020. It refreshes the Statutory Guidance published in 2014 and reflects the changes in the policy and legislative framework for the delivery of early learning and childcare. This includes the legislative changes which were agreed by the Scottish Parliament in June 2019 to increase the statutory funded early learning and childcare entitlement to 1140 hours, and changes to the length of a funded early learning and childcare session

We have tried to ensure that the proposed updated guidance is clear and readable, as well as improving clarity on some specific points, so that it is a more useful and user-friendly resource.

The consultation on the updated statutory guidance document can be found at: <https://consult.gov.scot/children-and-families/early-learning-and-childcare-statutory-guidance/>.

Following consideration of the responses to the consultation, which will include an independent analysis of the responses, the final version of the Statutory Guidance will be published in May 2020 and come into force from 1 August 2020.

If you have any questions regarding the updated Early Learning and Childcare Statutory Guidance then they can be directed to elcstatutoryguidance@gov.scot.

Contact: elcstatutoryguidance@gov.scot; or **Euan Carmichael** 0131 244 9923 / Euan.Carmichael@gov.scot

ELC Partnership Forum

In order to support and promote genuine partnership between providers and local authorities, the Scottish Government and COSLA established the ELC Partnership Forum.

We are considering the format of the Forum's work in 2020 to ensure that it is focused on supporting providers and local authorities to deliver the expanded ELC entitlement and to implement Funding Follows the Child, building on the evaluation of the Partnership Summit in September. We have commenced discussions with RICs and representative bodies to identify where support through the ELC Partnership Forum could best be provided, either through dedicated events or attendance at events already being planned locally.

All information and supporting arrangements for the Forum's activities are available on the [Knowledge Hub](#). A guide to accessing the Knowledge Hub can be provided on request (via the email address below).

Contact: ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot

4. UPTAKE, ELIGIBILITY AND ENGAGEMENT

Parental marketing campaign

We [launched](#) our parental marketing campaign on 13 January. This will run until the end of March and we are really pleased with the response and the reach so far.

The marketing campaign includes:

- posters on phone boxes and bus stops;
- a 30 sec radio ad running nationally in Scotland;
- a social media campaign including a [video](#); and
- leaflets and posters in a range of places from community centres to GP surgeries.

We also have a range of resources available for local authorities and settings in our toolkit: bit.ly/ELCEntitlementResources. This includes 'empty belly' posters that local authorities or settings can customise with local information, as well as pictures and content for social media or newsletters. Please get in touch if there are other materials that you would find helpful.

We know that some local authorities already have their own campaigns running so, depending on the local demand, there is additional partnership work with local authorities. This might include stalls at supermarkets and shopping centres (similar to the workforce outreach work); banners for school railings; artwork for lampposts/vans/bins.

All of the SG campaign materials direct parents to Parentclub.scot/elc where they can find out more about the changes to ELC, and can link directly to the ELC page of their own local authority.

We will be using the twitter handles @ELCScotgov, @scotgovedu and @parentclubscot so please follow and share from those. Parent Club also has Instagram and Facebook pages. Feel free to tag @ELCScotgov or @parentclubscot in your tweets about local parent campaigns or application deadlines.

We are also working on an FAQ/mythbusting document, so please get in touch if you have suggested content.

Finally, on staffing, Claire Somerville has moved to a post in Social Security Scotland, so please contact Katherine for anything on parental communication.

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Primary 1 deferral and ELC eligibility – future legislative change

During a parliamentary debate of 2 October 2019, Minister for Children and Young People, Maree Todd MSP, stated the Scottish Government's intention to bring forward legislation to ensure that all children who are not yet 5 on the first day of school are eligible for funded ELC if their school start is deferred.

We know that parents and carers who are currently considering deferral for their child will be wondering what this means for them. For now, there is no change in the law. All children who are still 4 years old at the start of the school year can be deferred and start primary one the following year. Children with a birthday in January or February who defer school entry are automatically entitled to another year of funded ELC. For children with a birthday between the school commencement date in August and December, parents continue to have an automatic right to school deferral, but local authorities decide whether another year of funded ELC will be made available. Local authorities may wish to communicate locally about their policy to help parents and carers understand their options in the interim.

Partnership working is vital to the ELC expansion. Before any amendment to the law is made, it is of course essential that Scottish Government, COSLA, and ADES agree the way forward together, in line with the principles of local democracy. This will require proper assessment of the resource implications in the context of delivering the ELC expansion. These discussions are underway and we will update colleagues in due course.

In the interim, work is underway to strengthen relevant sections of the ELC statutory guidance in order to support child-centred decision making and good communication with parents. A draft of the updated Statutory Guidance is currently available for consultation (see section above).

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Best Start Grant – School Age Payment

When communicating with local families about deferral, local authorities may also wish to note timings for applications for the Best Start Grant School Age Payment, particularly for children who defer their school start date. The Best Start Grant School Age Payment of £250 is for families in receipt of certain benefits or tax credits who have children who are old enough to start school. Applications must be made by 29 February 2020, even where families plan to defer their child's start date. Full details are available at <https://www.mygov.scot/best-start-grant-best-start-foods/>

5. QUALITY

Publication of Realising the Ambition

Education Scotland have been working in partnership with the Scottish Government to update the national practice resource 'Building the Ambition'. This is in response to action 9 in the ELC [Quality Action Plan](#).

The new revised resource will: reflect the rationale for the ELC expansion programme; include a stronger focus on under threes by incorporating relevant material from 'Pre-birth to Three'; have a stronger focus on child development and what children need from staff and their environment to support their development; include more on trauma-informed practice; and help to support a more coherent understanding of child development and play pedagogy right across early level of CfE.

The team at Education Scotland have consulted widely on the draft of the new resource, including hosting events for practitioners and teachers in Aberdeen, Glasgow and Edinburgh and consulting with members of the Quality Reference Group.

The new guidance, 'Realising the Ambition: Being Me', will be published on Friday 14 February. Following publication, a series of dissemination events will be held across the country. The details of these events, once they have been agreed, will be shared through local authorities and RICs.

As well as being available online, paper copies of the new resource will be sent to all settings and we will make arrangements for childminders to access copies on request.

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Care Inspectorate Early Learning and Childcare Improvement Programme

The Care Inspectorate and Scottish Government have launched a new improvement programme for early learning and childcare.

So far 16 local authorities have been invited to nominate settings to receive improvement support through the programme, based on the proportion of their ELC capacity in settings that currently do not have 'good' or better Care Inspectorate evaluations (as required under the National Standard).

Nominated settings will be invited to participate in local learning events and facilitated learning networks and be offer individualised quality improvement support. The programme will work collaboratively with local and national partners (including the RICs) to support the improvement of early learning and childcare settings Scotland.

The programme will be delivered by three improvement advisers with a combined expertise in supporting high quality in ELC settings, evaluating ELC settings as part of the Care Inspectorate scrutiny team and in using improvement science to drive up quality in public sector service delivery.

Contact: elcimprove@careinspectorate.gov.scot

Family Learning Scotland Programme

We've now let the contract for a national family learning programme in Scotland. A two year contract has been awarded to Peep (www.peep.org.uk) to deliver training and follow-up support for over 400 ELC practitioners to deliver the Peep Learning Together Programme which helps parents to understand how children learn and develop and how they can support them through every day activities and the Peep Progression Pathway which offers qualifications for parents that formally recognise their learning while undertaking the Programme. The Programme is very well evidenced and has shown to have positive impacts on child development, parent/child interactions, and outcomes related to parents' employability.

The number of training places allocated to each local authorities will be made on the same basis as the allocation of Equity and Excellence Leads (the number of funded ELC settings in the 20% most deprived areas). One training place will also be provided in Orkney, Shetland and Na h'Eileanan Siar. It will be for local authorities to decide how best to allocate the training places across their funded providers to ensure that the programme reaches families who stand to benefit the most.

The training for the Learning Together Programme will be delivered over two days and the Progression Pathway over one day. For practitioners keen to begin, they have the option of attending training over the next few months but with further opportunities spread across the next two years. After the training, each practitioner will be assigned a mentor and People will support local authorities to design and implement a programme that best suits the needs of their families.

The team at People will contact local authorities soon to confirm allocations and next steps. If there's a particular local authority lead with whom People should liaise, please do let People know.

Contact: Liz Ersoy, familylearningscotland@peeples.org.uk

Consultation on the statutory guidance for the Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Act

The Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Act 2006 sets out the role parents, educators and education authorities must play in ensuring all parents are fully involved and engaged in their children's learning and in the life and work of our education settings. Over the last year the Scottish Government have been working with a range of partners to modernise and strengthen the guidance which accompanies the Act. We have done this by taking account of the changes in practice and wider legislation that have occurred since 2007 and by strengthening the language, terminology and descriptions of good practice, in so far as this is possible, whilst recognising that the duties and powers in primary statute remain unchanged.

We are now seeking the views of a wider audience to refine the updated guidance and ensure it clearly provides all those with an interest in parental engagement and involvement with the information they need, while achieving our aims of updating and strengthening the original published guidance.

To gather these wider views we will be running a full public consultation, on the draft updated guidance, from Friday 24 January 2020 until Thursday 30 April 2020.

We hope to hear from anyone who has an interest in how parents can be fully involved and engaged in children's learning and would be extremely grateful to all those who can take the time to complete the online consultation on the refreshed guidance.

Contact: parental.involvement@gov.scot

Outdoor Play Marketing Campaign

We have commissioned a marketing campaign to promote the benefits of outdoor play which will run in April and May 2020. Outdoor play is a key focus for the commitment to extend ELC provision from 2020. The benefits of outdoor learning, exercise and play for children in terms of their physical and mental wellbeing are acknowledged and inform the rationale to increase children's access to outdoor play and learning as part of the ELC provision.

The campaign key messages are:

- promoting the recommended physical activity guidelines for children under 5 from the UK chief medical officer (180 minutes per day)
- the importance of hand washing after outdoor play, tick awareness and dressing for the weather
- promoting the long term health benefits of outdoor play (healthy weight, better bone density, improved motor skill development, etc.)

The campaign will run from the 13 April 2020 until the 3 May 2020 and will feature:

- social media advertising
- online videos
- a radio campaign on Bauer's Life Matters
- the production of 11,000 outdoor activity card packs
- marketing emails sent through the Parent Club mailing list
- a campaign page on the Parent Club website

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6. 2 YEAR OLD PROJECT

Creating inspiring learning communities: making work thrive for under 3s

We are hosting an event '*Creating inspiring learning communities: making work thrive for under 3s*' on Thursday 30 January at The Scottish Storytelling Centre in Edinburgh.

The event is part of the Fire Starter Festival and will provide an opportunity to explore how we can create an online community for sharing best practice, learning and a place to ask questions in relation to under 3's and particularly our eligible 2's.

More information about the event can be found at: <https://firestarterfestival.com/event/creating-inspiring-learning-communities-making-work-thrive-for-under-3s-2/>

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7. WORKFORCE

Recruitment Marketing Campaign

The National Recruitment campaign has two distinct audiences: school leavers and parental returners/career changers. An update on the most recent campaign activity is available on the Knowledge Hub at: https://khub.net/group/early-learning-and-childcare-elc-expansion-scotland-local-authorities/group-forum/-/message_boards/message/207588635

The campaign website contains resources which can be used for local recruitment activity. We'd encourage everyone to make use of these resources to ensure a consistent approach to potential recruits across the country. We are very happy to discuss how we can support local recruitment efforts. Campaign resources can be found at: <https://childcarecareersscotland.scot/resources/>

MyJobScotland website

Private and third sector ELC providers registered with the Care Inspectorate can now post jobs on the myjobscotland website free of charge, following an agreement between Scottish Government and COSLA to support providers with their recruitment needs in the period leading up to 2020. Anyone wishing to advertise vacancies should visit www.myjobscotland.gov.uk/recruiter

All jobs listed on myjobscotland are drawn through and also appear on the www.childcarecareersscotland.scot campaign website.

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Parental Employability Support Fund – ELC Boost

As part of a £16.1 million Parental Employability Support Fund provided through the Tackling Child Poverty Fund, £4.1 million will be invested to strengthen relationships between ELC funded providers and employability services across Scotland. Services will utilise this funding to improve training and employability outcomes for low income parents and their children at a local level, and will include the promotion of training and employment opportunities within the ELC expansion itself.

Contact: Sarah Guy 0131 244 0837 / sarah.guy@gov.scot

Disclosure Scotland – free employer training

Providers will already be using the PVG Scheme, which is administered by Disclosure Scotland, as part of their safe recruitment process.

Disclosure Scotland run free training across Scotland for countersignatories and anyone involved in the recruitment or disciplinary process to help you understand more about using the disclosure process, risk assessing criminal conviction information and when you need to [refer](#) individuals to Disclosure Scotland.

These sessions can be tailored to your organisation's needs and, if you have several colleagues who would like to attend, Disclosure Scotland will deliver it to you on site and free of charge.

Providers can book their places directly [here](#).

Contact: dsworkshop@disclosurescotland.gov.scot

8. EVIDENCE AND ANALYSIS

SEEMiS Early Years and Transformation of the ELC Census

Developers are progressing with the system build of 'SEEMiS Early Years' to replace the NAMS system. Developments will be complete by the end of August 2020 to allow for a period of training ahead of the system being rolled out to local authorities w/c 2 November 2020. We are considering methods of communication and engagement to keep stakeholders up to date with system developments and preparations required ahead of system roll out.

A local authority working group has been set up and met for the first time on 9 January to refine the census processes for ELC and schools, building on the feedback from the ELC event on 7 October and feedback from wider users. SEEMiS Early Years will be central to the new process, and this should make the process less burdensome for data providers and allow us to capture much richer and more robust data on the sector.

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Scottish Study of Early Learning and Childcare (SSELc)

Baseline data collection for the SSELc is now complete. The final phase of the baseline data collection ('Phase 3') followed up with the group of eligible 2 year olds from Phase 1, and collected data on a new sample of 3 year olds as they begin accessing their statutory entitlement. We are analysing the data from Phase 2 (on 4 and 5 year olds before they leave ELC to start P1) and plan to publish our findings in full in spring. We're planning an event for all those involved in the data collection on 4 March 2020 in Glasgow, to feedback on emerging findings and thank everyone for their support. A link to registration on Eventbrite will be circulated imminently.

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9. OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

The Out of School Care consultation closed on Friday 6 December after receiving around 1,200 responses. The responses are now being independently analysed and we will publish a report of the findings in Spring 2020.

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ELC Programme – Communications and Engagement calendar

FEBRUARY 2020			
February	6 months to go		A key milestone in the run up to August 2020.
1 February	Flexible Services Conference	Childcare Scotland	We will be attending the launch of the new flexibility pathway toolkit at the Flexible Childcare Services Conference. We have an ELC stall and Aileen Campbell, Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Local Government will give the key note speech. https://www.fcss.org.uk/flexibility-pathway-launch-conference/
14 February	Closing date for nominations for the Scottish Education Awards		Get yours vote in now for this year’s Scottish Education Awards hosted by Education Scotland. This year we have a dedicated ELC category and we hope that we have lots of ELC nominations across as many of the awards as possible. https://www.scottisheducationawards.co.uk/
21 February	Submissions close for Scottish Learning Festival seminars		At this year’s Scottish Learning Festival we will see an increased focus on ELC. Submit your seminar nomination now to be featured in the SLF 2020 Conference programme. https://www.scottishlearningfestival.com/
29 February	Enquire Conference		This one day Conference in Stirling is a parent focused event with a theme of ‘your child, your school and you’. https://childreninscotland.org.uk/enquire-conference-2020-your-child-your-school-and-you/
MARCH 2020			
2-6 March	Scottish Apprenticeship Week		This year’s Scottish Apprenticeship Week takes place during the first week in March. Join in and celebrate ELC apprentices and their stories using the hastags #ScotAppWeek and #TeamELC https://www.apprenticeships.scot/scottish-apprenticeship-week/

11 March	Finance Working Group	The ELC Finance Working Group is responsible for ensuring the programme is underpinned by a robust financial evidence base and to offer professional finance input to the development of the programme.	
17 March	Joint Delivery Board	The Early Learning and Childcare Joint Delivery Board was set up in September 2018 and is jointly chaired by Maree Todd MSP, Minister for Children and Young People, and Councillor Stephen McCabe, COSLA Spokesperson for Children and Young People. The purpose of the group is to provide overall governance of the ELC expansion programme, to manage and monitor progress against the Programme Plan to ensure that the Scottish and local Government deliver the ELC Expansion on time and within budget.	https://www.gov.scot/groups/early-learning-and-childcare-joint-delivery-board/
31 March	Strategic Forum	The ELC Strategic Forum was set up in 2016. The purpose of the group is to develop and help implement our vision for high-quality and flexible early learning and childcare (ELC) in Scotland - integrated with an out-of-school care system - that is affordable and accessible for all. The March meeting will have a focus on outdoor learning and will be held at Pollok House in Glasgow.	https://www.gov.scot/groups/early-learning-and-childcare-strategic-forum/
MAY 2020			
21 May	National Classroom Day	Outdoor Celebrate national outdoor classroom day by tagging us in your pictures and using #TeamELC	https://outdoorclassroomday.org.uk/
27 May	Scottish Awards 2020	Education	https://www.scottisheducationawards.co.uk/
JUNE 2020			
16 June	Strategic Forum	The ELC Strategic Forum was set up in 2016. The purpose of the group is to develop and help implement our vision for high-quality and flexible early learning and childcare (ELC) in Scotland - integrated with an out-of-school care system - that is affordable and accessible for all.	https://www.gov.scot/groups/early-learning-and-childcare-strategic-forum/

JULY 2020			
2 July (TBC)	Joint Delivery Board	The Early Learning and Childcare Joint Delivery Board was set up in September 2018 and is jointly chaired by Maree Todd MSP, Minister for Children and Young People, and Councillor Stephen McCabe, COSLA Spokesperson for Children and Young People. The purpose of the group is to provide overall governance of the ELC expansion programme, to manage and monitor progress against the Programme Plan to ensure that the Scottish and local Government deliver the ELC Expansion on time and within budget.	https://www.gov.scot/groups/early-learning-and-childcare-joint-delivery-board/
AUGUST 2020			
August	ELC expansion programme statutory implementation date	Formal roll out of the ELC expansion increased 1140 hours will begin from August 2020.	
SEPTEMBER 2020			
22 Sept 2020	Scottish Learning Festival		https://www.scottishlearningfestival.com/
OCTOBER 2020			
3 October 2020	SCMA Conference		Details to follow soon

ELC Programme

Date Published	Document Link
23/03/2017	A Blueprint for 2020: The Expansion of Early Learning and Childcare in Scotland - 2017–18 Action Plan
23/03/2017	A Blueprint for 2020: Early Learning and Childcare Expansion Planning Guidance for Local Authorities
23/03/2017	A Blueprint for 2020: The Expansion of Early Learning and Childcare in Scotland – Next Steps - Analysis Report
15/10/2016	A Blueprint for 2020: Expansion of Early Learning and Childcare Consultation

Learning and Wellbeing

Date Published	Document Link
22/12/2017	Daily Mile Guidance
31/10/2017	A Blueprint for 2020: The Expansion of Early Learning and Childcare in Scotland: Quality Action Plan
	Equity & Excellence Leads

Out of School Care / Outdoor Learning

Date Published	Document Link
21/12/2018	Out to Play; practical guidance for creating outdoor play experiences in early learning and childcare
30/08/2019	Out of School Care Parent Survey: report

Service Models

Date Published	Document Link
29/04/2019	Funding follows the child and the national standard for early learning and childcare providers: transition options guidance on contracting
29/04/2019	Funding follows the child and the national standard for early learning and childcare providers: guidance for setting sustainable rates from August 2020
29/04/2019	Funding follows the child and the national standard for early learning and childcare providers: guidance on criteria 7 - business sustainability
19/12/2018	ELC providers: delivery support plan
18/12/2018	Funding Follows the Child and the National Standard for early learning and childcare providers: Principles and practice
18/12/2018	Funding follows the child and the national standard for early learning and childcare providers: operating guidance
18/12/2018	Funding follows the child and the national standard for early learning and childcare providers: guidance for local authorities
31/10/2018	Early learning and childcare service model for 2020: consultation analysis
29/03/2018	Early Learning and Childcare Service Model for 2020: Consultation Paper

Trials

Date Published	Document Link
22/05/2018	Early Learning and Childcare Expansion delivery trials: evaluation

Workforce

Date Published	Document Link
03/2017	The Skills Investment Plan Prospectus

Workforce Development

Date Published	Document Link
20/05/2019	ELC National Induction Resource

2 Year Old Offer

Date Published	Document Link
07/03/2017	Drivers and Barriers to uptake of Early Learning and Childcare amongst 2 year olds

Evaluation and Data Transformation Project

Date Published	Document Link
29/06/2013	Early childhood education and care provision: international review of policy, delivery and funding
23/03/2016	Early Learning and Childcare Data Consultation Findings
15/06/2016	Early learning and childcare trials discussion paper: analysis of responses
27/09/2016	Financial review of early learning and childcare in Scotland: the current landscape
27/09/2016	Cost of early learning and childcare provision in partner provider settings
07/03/2017	Drivers and barriers to uptake of Early Learning and Childcare amongst 2 year olds
19/06/2017	Evaluability assessment of the expansion of early learning and childcare (NHS Health Scotland)
19/06/2017	Provision of early learning and childcare and parents outcomes - an evidence brief (NHS Health Scotland)
03/08/2017	Recommendations for Early Learning and Childcare Data report
28/09/2017	Early Learning and Childcare Data Transformation Project - May 2017 Data Trial
31/10/2017	Rapid evidence review: childcare quality and children's outcomes
22/12/2017	Changes in early learning and childcare use and outcomes at age 5: compared two Growing up in Scotland cohorts
22/12/2017	The expansion of Early Learning and Childcare: evaluation report 2017
22/05/2018	Evaluation of the Early Learning and Childcare delivery trials
07/08/2018	Parents' views and use of early learning and childcare: report
27/11/2018	Early Learning and Childcare Data Transformation Project - June 2018 Data Trial
14/08/2019	Scottish Study of Early Learning and Childcare: Phase 1 report

Infrastructure

Date Published	Document Link
30/06/2017	Space to Grow design guidance

Related SG Policies

Date Published	Document Link
04/09/2018	Programme for Government 2018
06/06/2018	Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Act 2017 – Guidance
29/03/2018	Every Child, Every Chance: The Tackling Child Poverty Delivery Plan 2018-22
16/11/2017	Education Governance Review
22/08/2017	Report of the Barclay Review of Non-Domestic Rates
	Scottish Attainment Challenge