

Appendix 3 - Key areas of support needed from Unicef (as recommended from the WAOG and DCSDC)

Recommendation	Unicef would.	WAOG Priority	DCSDC Priority
<p>1. Participation Work in partnership with an existing steering group of Young People as part of the PEACE IV programme, WAOG, DCSDC to support with the development of a youth council structure which has Child Rights at the heart of the process.</p>	<p>Unicef would work with a steering group of young people to support with raising awareness of Child Rights.</p> <p>Unicef would support with putting mechanisms in place for wider consultation with the forums already existing within the community, primary and post primary school environment.</p> <p>Unicef will assist the Youth Council with developing a Youth Manifesto with Child Rights at the heart.</p> <p>New structure will ensure that children & young people’s voices and opinions are taken into consideration and influence decision making processes.</p>	<p>Voice of Children and Young People.</p>	<p>Community Planning - Children and Young People theme.</p> <p><i>“Establish local structures to allow children and young people to be involved in decisions which affect them and have their voices heard, including establishment of a Youth Council”.</i></p> <p><i>“Engage and empower young people through their participation and involvement in the development and delivery of an inclusive programme of events and initiatives for Year of Youth 2019”.</i></p>
<p>2. Partnership WAOG and DCSDC would work in partnership with ‘Pioneering Communities’ initiative, to ensure that the Unicef child’s rights based approach (CRBA) is embedded into the pilot programme.</p>	<p>Unicef would train all staff working within the remit of either Pioneering Communities and/or Early Help sector regarding the CRBA framework. Staff would avail of the training provided by Unicef and Unicef would monitor and evaluate how these services have</p>	<p>Parenting. Behaviours. Transitions.</p>	<p>Community Planning - Children and Young People theme.</p> <p><i>“Support the implementation of a Pioneering Community pilot project to address child maltreatment reducing levels</i></p>

<p style="text-align: center;">OR/ALSO</p> <p>Partnership – work with the WHSCT Early Help sector, team including, FIS, Gateway, FSH to ensure that the Unicef child’s rights based approach is embedded into the pilot programme.</p>	<p>embedded the Unicef CRBA framework into their practice on an on-going basis.</p>	<p>Emotional Health and Well Being.</p> <p>Addiction.</p> <p>Domestic and Sexual Violence.</p>	<p><i>of disengaged attachment in children”.</i></p>
<p>3. Training</p> <p>Unicef would provide training tailored to the needs of the WAOG and DCSDC agreed areas of focus. A particular emphasis will be placed on review of scenarios which would give participants a clear understanding about how Child Rights will impact their day to day work and decision making processes.</p>	<p>A refresher training course for senior staff who have previously taken part in Unicef training.</p> <p>All senior staff within DCSDC who have not been previously trained and all members of the WAOG would avail of the Unicef training.</p> <p>All staff associated with Pioneering Communities and/or Early Help sector would avail of the Unicef training.</p> <p>This would ensure the roll-out/learnings of the CRBA framework to partner Agencies/Organisations within WAOG.</p> <p>Unicef would be responsible for ensuring there is a progress reporting mechanism in place which they would monitor how our partners put their training and knowledge into practice in relation to the CRBA framework.</p>	<p>Voice of Children and Young People.</p>	<p>Community Planning - Children and Young People theme.</p> <p><i>“Adopt Unicef Child Rights Framework to improve services for children and young people”.</i></p>
<p>4. Youth led training</p> <p>To support the Youth Council to develop and deliver Child Rights awareness training.</p>	<p>Unicef would support the young people by providing expert advice on the content and delivery of the Child Rights Awareness training.</p>	<p>Voice of Children and Young People.</p>	<p>Community Planning - Children and Young People theme.</p>

<p>5. Commissioning/Tendering. WAOG and DCSDC would adopt a child rights accountability framework within appropriate commissioning/tendering structures going forward.</p>	<p>DCSDC and WAOG and partner organisations/agencies would look at the learnings from projects such as that carried out by Tower Hamlets Council and Unicef in how they would adopt a CRBA into future commissioning/tendering of appropriate services or programmes.</p>	<p>Voice of Children and Young People.</p>	<p>Community Planning - Children and Young People theme. Year of Youth 2019 Programme.</p>
<p>6. Unicef Rights Respecting Schools Programme.</p>	<p>Unicef would work with the Department of Education & WAOG to increase the uptake and accreditation of the Rights Respecting Schools Programme within the Western Area (25% increase over a 3 year period).</p>	<p>Voice of Children and Young People</p>	<p>Community Planning - Children and Young People theme.</p>
<p>7. Kinship Research into the nature and extent of kinship caring, including the unique support needs of children and their carers and findings to include recommendations in terms of the broader policy context going forward.</p>	<p>Unicef would carry out the research into the kinship care.</p>		<p>Community Planning - Children and Young People theme.</p>

IMPACT

Unicef's Childs Rights Partners pilot has demonstrated that weaving children's rights into systems, structures and practice has the potential to bring about fundamental, systemic change in real and tangible ways. From child-centred community planning to increased responsiveness of services, from understanding need from a child and family perspective to effectively bringing statutory, voluntary and community-based organisations together, a child rights-based approach is a practical, flexible tool that can improve conditions for children across a range of settings. Evidence points to a direct correlation

between positive outcomes for children, young people and families and the degree to which their views and experiences are known and taken into account in the design and delivery of services.

OUTCOME

This would be a 3 – 5 year journey with the achievements and progress of the partnership recognised with the awarding of badges that would lead to the ultimate goal of achieving the Unicef Child Friendly Community status.

OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Children and Young People will;

- understand their rights;
- have the skills and support to constructively challenge and campaign when their rights are being overlooked;
- are aware of and can access the support they need, when they need it;
- are satisfied with the services that they experience;
- feel they have the ability to influence and shape services which affect them.