

We've made fantastic progress across our subgroups this period!
Here's a quick snapshot of what's been happening and what's next.

Universal Offer & Neighbourhood

We've started mapping the Neighbourhood Offer across council, partners, and community services. This will help identify strengths and gaps, using neighbourhood-level data to understand local needs. Refining this mapping and identifying ways to plug any gaps will be our focus going forward.

Single Assessment and Plan

We've reviewed current assessment strengths and areas for improvement and are developing a new single assessment and plan, shaped by feedback from our participation groups – bringing the voices of children, young people, and families into the design process.



Threshold Document

The draft threshold document has been developed and will undergo testing and feedback throughout January and February. Final refinements will follow, with publication planned for March 2026.

Participation

We've held initial participation sessions with young people, parents/carers and workforce reps. They've contributed to our vision, principles, and commitments, as well as helping shape the naming of the new single assessment and plan. Their ongoing input will be vital in shaping services that truly reflect the needs of our community.

Thank you to everyone involved so far. This is an important step towards creating a more joined-up way of working that puts families at the heart of everything we do.

**Wishing everyone a restful festive season and a very Merry Christmas.
See you in the new year!**