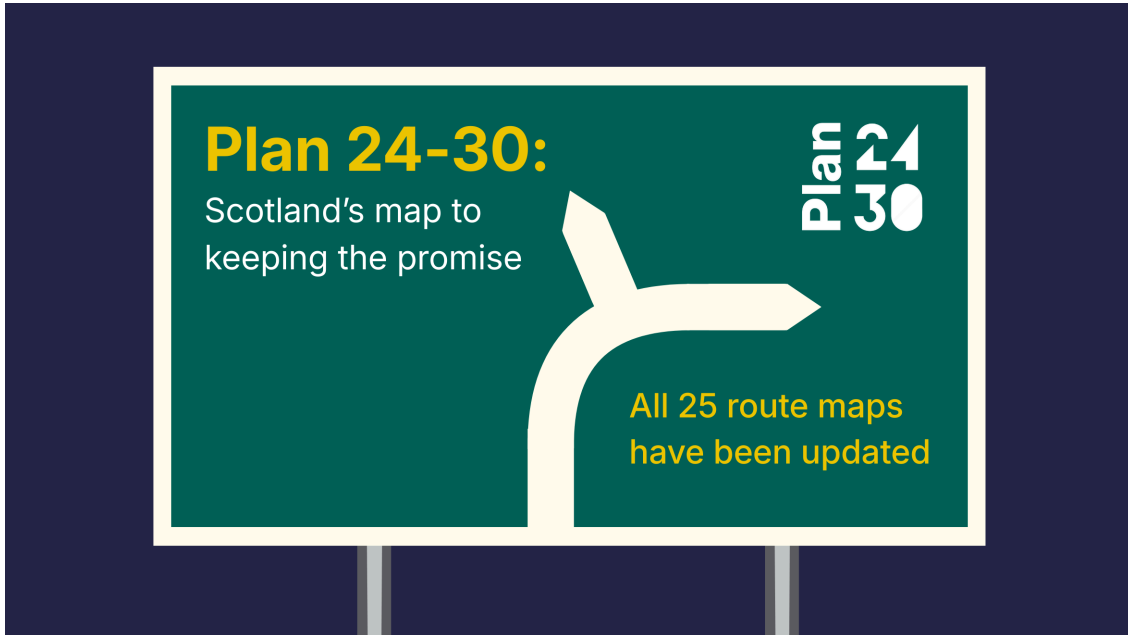


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## There have been significant updates to Plan 24-30, Scotland's plan to keep the promise.



**In December, significant updates were published to the Plan 24-30 route maps.**

All 25 route maps have been developed by The Promise Scotland, in collaboration with stakeholders, to include commitments, milestones, and emerging dependencies to 2030.

The route maps outline, for as many years as is possible:

- what must be delivered for the promise to be kept,
- who is responsible for doing it,
- when it must be done, and
- how route maps depend on each other for progress.

The route maps are a national shared planning framework for keeping the promise, built on and for collaboration. They are not a substitute for organisational plans – instead by making clear destination statements, outcomes and milestones, they provide clarity on what actions are the responsibility of which organisations, by when.

**We want everyone working to keep the promise to spend the next month to use the website and review the updated route maps:**

- **Do the route maps start to set out the work required?**

- **Are there inaccuracies, things that should be added, or concerns with the route maps?**
- **How could you use them to guide your work and what help do you need?**

The more everyone working to keep the promise engages with the route maps, the better and more effective they will become.

After the initial feedback period, The Promise Scotland will be setting out more detail on how it will support organisations to take these route maps, and translate them into their own plans to keep the promise by 2030.

**Send your feedback to [plan2430@thepromise.scot](mailto:plan2430@thepromise.scot).**

Find our **Partner Pack** with resources to share with your networks [here](#).

Route Maps



Updates to all three questions on the Promise Story of Progress have been published, giving more clarity on the national data, organisational learning, and the impact felt by those with care experience.

This work was done as a partnership between the Scottish Government, COSLA, and The Promise Scotland.

The creation and ongoing development of the Promise Story of Progress is in itself part of keeping the promise - creating new ways of understanding progress, resulting in better conversations, different actions, and culture change.

**The Promise Story of Progress has been created as a way for Scotland to understand how change is happening and where improvement is needed.**

This is a new approach to tracking progress, by having real experience at the centre. It helps people to understand what things need to change, and how they can change.

The Promise Story of Progress shows if the changes outlined in the updated route maps are making a real difference nationally, what the learning is from organisations when trying to implement the changes, and how the commitments in the route maps are being felt by children, families, and care experienced adults.

You can find out more about how it was developed and how it links with Plan 24-30 to drive change in the report ['Building the Promise Story of Progress: Learning and next steps'](#).

View the updates at the button below.



**Join us at SCVO's The Gathering**

Sign ups for our event 'How do we keep the promise made to Scotland's children and families?' on Tuesday 10 February are now open. This session will:

- Provide more information on Plan 24-30 and the role its 25 route maps play in ensuring that Scotland keeps the promise it made to

children and families.

- Set out how the national level route maps can be translated into local level operational plans, for all those working to keep the promise in the charitable sector.
- Give a clearer idea on how they can use the route maps in their own planning and delivery.
- Provide more information on how the Promise Story of Progress is developing, and how people could get involved in sharing what changes and impact they have seen.

[Sign up here](#)

## Open letter to parties running in the 2026 Scottish Election

Join us in calling for commitment to making Scotland a place where all its children grow up loved, safe, and respected and realise their full potential.



Over 40 organisations have joined us in our call for Scotland's political parties to show their commitment to keeping the promise to children, young people, families, and care experienced adults.

With clear focus, brave decision-making, and sustained cross-party support in Parliament over the next five years, Scotland can keep the promise.

Thank you to all the partners and collaborators that have joined us so far. We welcome any other organisations who would like to show their collective commitment by signing and sharing the open letter. Keeping the promise is up to all of us and every voice counts.

Read the letter and find out more below.

Open Letter

# Upcoming Events

## Co-Design Essentials



- Planning - 21 January
- Facilitating - 4 February
- Creative Tools - 18 February

Join us for a three-part series of practical sessions to provide you with the skills, tools, and confidence you need to facilitate successful co-design journeys. Find out more information in the event description below.

Sign up

## 12 February Spotlight Session



Join us and the Children's Parliament to launch three new resources they have created to support the meaningful involvement of younger children with care experience in the design of services.

Sign up

## 19 February Design School Lite



Don't miss your chance to join the next cohort of the Promise Design School Lite, a series of short, engaging sessions designed to help you

## Community of Practice for Siblings

### 26 February



Join the Community of Practice for Siblings for our first online gathering of the year focusing on work to keep



think differently about how to address challenges related to the promise in your setting.

Sign up

the promise to brothers, sisters, siblings, and those with sibling-like relationships.

Sign up

## Resources and Opportunities

**“How we shift the power is vital. How we can create the conditions where someone can be the voice of their own story and that’s valued and impactful and not tokenistic.”**

Rowan Anderson – Programme Lead at Corra and commissioner and co-collaborator on the My Care Record project



### [My Care Record: Creating digital solutions for owning your own story](#)

The My Care Record project aims to create a digital tool, which can help young people to access their information and have their experiences accurately reflected when interacting with services.

### [Moray Council’s new framework on a rights-based approach around relationships](#)

A learning story focusing on Moray Council's framework, created through co-design as part of the Maintaining Relationships project.

### [Scottish Election 2026 Blogs - CYCJ](#)

Professor Fiona Dyer, Director of CYCJ, sets out the areas they are working on, and what changes are needed from the next Scottish Government.

### [The Promise Scotland's Stage 1 debate of the Children \(Care, Care Experience and Services Planning\) \(Scotland\) Bill Briefing](#)

The Scottish Parliament collectively voted to support the principles of the Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill on 14 January 2026. Read more about the considerations of Stage 1 and how the Bill can be strengthened at Stage 2 in our briefing paper.

### [ProjectChange Coffee Chats](#)

ProjectChange is inviting people to host a Coffee Morning, a simple, community-led space for people to meet, talk, and connect. Find out more at the link.

### [Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland Recruiting Young Advisors](#)

The Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland is inviting 12- to 16-year-olds across Scotland to join its Young Advisors group. Members help influence the Commissioner's work on children's rights, share views, take part in events and international activities, and gain experience with support and expenses covered. Find out more at the link.



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