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## Thank you for your commitment to keeping the promise.

This newsletter is here to give you updates on our work and work happening to keep the promise across Scotland. If you have any questions or feedback, please reach out to [hello@thepromise.scot](mailto:hello@thepromise.scot). You can find previous and PDF versions [here](#).

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### The Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill passes unanimously



On Thursday 19 March, MSPs voted unanimously to pass [the Children \(Care, Care Experience and Services Planning\) \(Scotland\) Bill](#), representing the most significant legislative changes since the conclusion of the Independent Care Review in 2020 and the promise made by the Scottish Parliament to children, young people, families, and care experienced adults.

This Bill strengthens support, rights, and protections for care experienced people and their families, helping Scotland take further steps towards keeping that promise.

Now, there must be a strong focus on implementation, ensuring the workforce is supported to deliver the changes and the right financial support is in place to ensure the elements set out in law can be implemented across Scotland. We are committed to working alongside all

involved in implementing this Bill.

We were also pleased to see the [Restraint and Seclusions in Schools \(Scotland\) Bill](#) pass unanimously on 24 March, bringing Scotland closer to being a nation that does not restrain it's children.

We are committed to continuing to work with MSPs and the Scottish Government to put in place a statutory framework for restraint across all settings in line with the promise.

[Read more here](#)

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### Plan 24-30: Route maps and Promise Story of Progress

Following the passage of both of the Bills mentioned above, there will be updates across many of the route maps on Plan 24-30.

These are part of the continuous changes made to Plan 24-30, as the work to keep the promise progresses. We've created a [new video](#) to help everyone understand the route maps and how they link to the Promise Story of Progress.



# Taking a children's human rights approach to service design



The Children's Parliament, in partnership with The Promise Scotland, have created three new resources to help involve children in service design, supporting services to work in a way that will keep the promise.

[Find out more here](#)

## Upcoming and Resources



Community of Practice for Siblings  
**In-Person Event**  13 May 2026 

Join the Community of Practice for Siblings at STAR in May to connect, share, and support collective work to

April 8 2026  
**Care Revolution - Young Voices Leading the Way**



Join the Falkirk Champs at Forth Valley College, Falkirk on 8 April 2026 for an opportunity for young people

keep the promise  
for brothers, sisters, siblings  
and sibling-like relationships.

[Sign up here.](#)

to connect with other young  
people working towards  
change.

[Learn more here.](#)

### [My Health, My Rights: A National Survey for Scotland's Children](#)

Children's Health Scotland has launched their National Health Rights Survey 2026 — their most ambitious listening exercise to date. They are looking to understand what health and health rights truly look and feel like for children, young people and families across Scotland, in their own words.

### [Scottish Government announces the care leaver payment](#)

The Scottish Government has announced every young person leaving care or continuing care from next month will receive a one-off payment of £2,000 to help support them and reduce financial barriers as they move towards adulthood.

### [Learning Story - ProjectChange: How we think about collaboration](#)

Rachael Borthwick, the development officer at ProjectChange, looks at how we think about collaboration.

### [Learning Story - Falkirk Family Firm](#)

This learning story focuses on providing professional development opportunities for young people who have experience of care.

### [Learning Story - Musicares](#)

Musicares has been working to provide a place where children and young people with experience of care can grow through creative expression.

### [Oversight Board Meeting in Parliament](#)

Members of the Oversight Board for the promise held a drop in session in the Scottish Parliament, meeting MSPs from across parties and sharing two new briefing papers showing where progress is needed around housing and education.

### [Welcome to Your Vote Week: Supporting you to have your say in May](#)

Welcome to Your Vote Week 2026 was in March and focused on encouraging and supporting young people to develop the knowledge and

confidence they need to cast their vote. You can access the resources at the link.



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