



# CLD Bulletin

This is the first edition of the CLD policy bulletin which aims to provide the CLD sector with updates on Scottish Government and related policy.

## Discussion on the Power of CLD with Jamie Hepburn

Mr Hepburn, Minister for Higher Education and Further Education, Youth Employment and Training was interviewed in October for the CLD Talks podcast.

You can listen to the interview where he discusses his ambitions for both CLD Strategies [here](#).



## Exploring the Four Capacities

Exploring The Four Capacities is a thought paper, commissioned by Education Scotland, compiles the views of over 150 educators and over 600 learners from across Scotland's education system.

It offers insights to help inform the National Discussion on Education and to stimulate exploration of the four capacities. This paper will be useful to all educators and settings exploring curriculum rationale and curriculum design. Please [share this link](#) with your networks.

### The CLD Unit

The Community Learning and Development Unit leads on policy development and delivery in regards to providing vital support to the most vulnerable adult learners and young people - to increase their skills for learning, life and work. The unit recently increased in size with Eni Adesida and Jessalyn Mahoney taking maternity leave who's roles are now being covered by Craig Robertson as Unit Head and Will Quinn as Youth Work Team Leader respectively.

### Craig Robertson – Unit Head

Adult Learning	Youth Work	Analyst
Simon Ashpool	William Quinn	Ruth
Julie O'Donnell	Janet Sneddon	McKenna
Steven Scott	Keith Fernie	

### Working Across the Unit

James Brook, Elisha Fisher & Iona Dempsie

# The Children, Young People, Families and Adult Learning (CYPFAL) Fund

In July this year we launched the Children, Young People, Families and Adult Learners (CYPFAL) fund with the intention of providing up to £16M of annual third sector core funding from April 2023 to March 2025.

A significant number of applications have been received from a wide range of organisations and demand has far exceeded the amount of funding available.

Applicants will be contacted this month following final assessment and consideration by Scottish Ministers.

## Youth Work Strategy 2023-2028

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> national Youth Work Strategy will be published in early 2023, once all drafting feedback has been considered. To ensure that equality, diversity and inclusion are fully embedded in the strategy, we convened a Youth Work Strategy Review Group. This independent Group is being chaired by Prof. Rowena Arshad CBE, FEIS along with two young people as co-chairs.

The Review Group brought together individuals and organisations who have strong equalities and anti-discrimination background. Organisations represented in the review group are:

- CLD Standards Council
- Intercultural Youth Scotland
- Glasgow Disability Alliance
- LGBT Youth Scotland
- Article 12
- University of Edinburgh
- Young Islands Network
- Carers Trust

## CLD Regulations 2013

The Scottish Government has made a Programme for Government commitment to undertake a review of the 2013 regulation. This is a key area of work for the CLD unit and planning for this will start in the New Year. The CLD unit will continue to keep you updated and will publish timelines and the scope of the review in due course. See link for current regulations: [The Requirements for Community Learning and Development \(Scotland\) Regulations 2013](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uk/2013/1000) ([legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk)).

## Purpose and Principles

We are pleased to share the Interim Purpose and Principles for the post school education, research and skills ecosystem. Alongside this, Scottish Government have also published a Discussion Guide to support organisations and individuals to facilitate their own discussion on the Interim Purpose and Principles.

The Interim Purpose & Principles sets out current thinking on the priorities that must guide decision making in the context of significant reform of the ecosystem. The impetus for reform is acute, given the growing set of social, technological, economic and environmental factors, coupled with the most challenging financial situation since devolution.

The Scottish Government is keen to engage with a diverse range of stakeholders on the Interim Purpose and Principles including with those who have the greatest stake in the ecosystem, as well as those who traditionally face barriers to access it.

**Interim Purpose and Principles for post school education, research and skills:** [Click on this link](#)

**Interim Purpose and Principles for post school education, research and skills: Discussion Guide:** [Click on this link](#)

## Community Learning and Development Device Fund

For 2022/23, £500,000 was provided by Scottish Government to set up the Community Learning and Development Device Fund. SCVO launched the Fund on 1 August 2022 with CLD organisations invited to apply for up to £15,000 to invest in digital devices to be used by learners. Over 40 projects across Scotland have now been awarded funding, supporting learners to undertake a range of educational opportunities, qualifications, skills development and employability training.

## CLD Joint Programme Board

The CLD Team are establishing a Joint Programme Board to provide strategic oversight of the implementation of both Adult Learning and Youth Work strategies. The Joint Programme Board will be chaired by Mr Hepburn and will be supported by Implementation Groups who will deliver against both strategies' action plans. More information will follow in a future bulletin.

### CONTACT US

This is the first CLD Bulletin so we would be grateful for any feedback you can provide through the following CLD Unit email address:

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