

CYPS Overview and Scrutiny Child Poverty January 2021

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Child Poverty Working Group

Vision: *Children, young people and families have the resources to meet their basic needs, including accessing opportunities to take part in society*

- 1.** to understand the level and impact of poverty on children, young people and families in County Durham;
- 2.** practitioners across the County Durham Partnership have the skills and knowledge to help support children and families at the earliest opportunity who are affected by poverty;
- 3.** narrow the gap in access to culture, leisure, children and young people and
- 4.** raise aspirations and resilience of children and young people making the move into further education, training or employment.

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Durham Insight

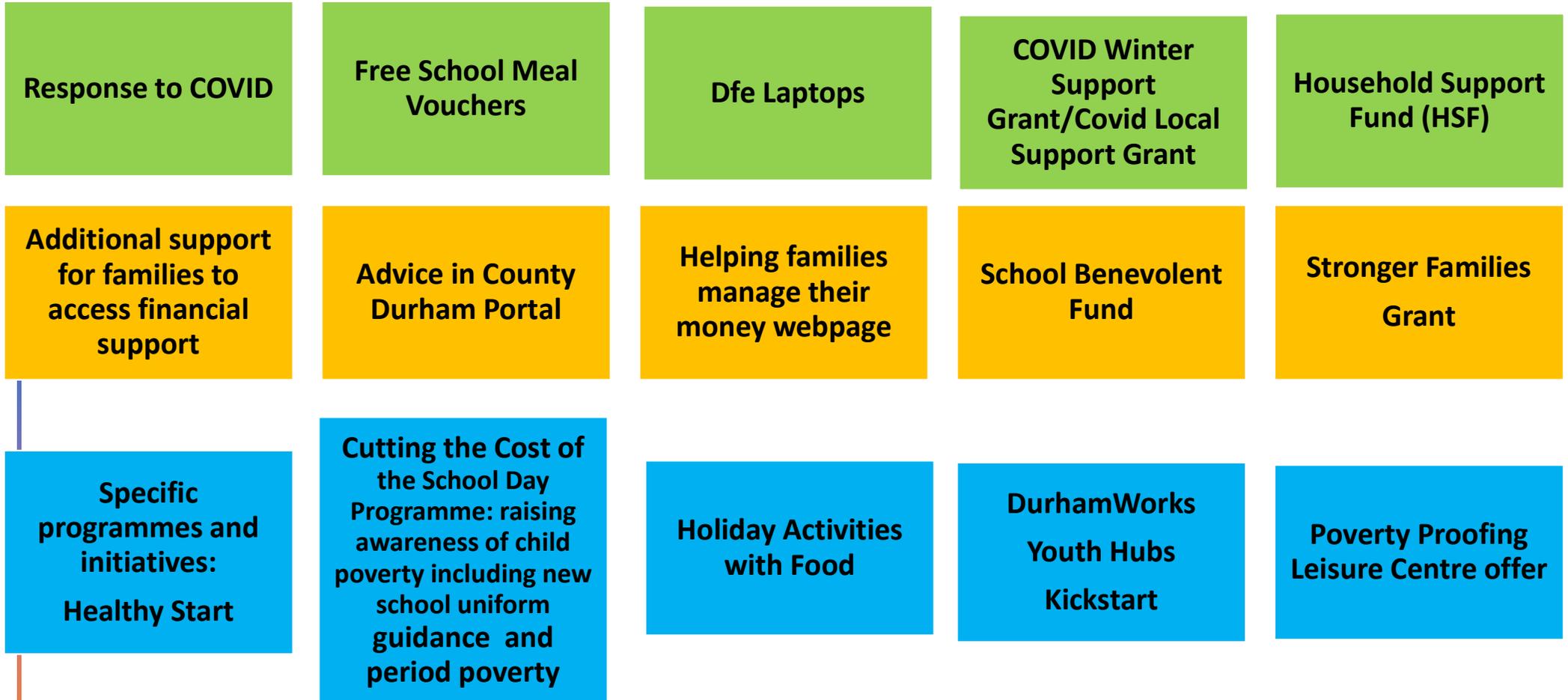
Insight & intelligence to inform

<https://www.durhaminsight.info/children-in-poverty/>

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Progress



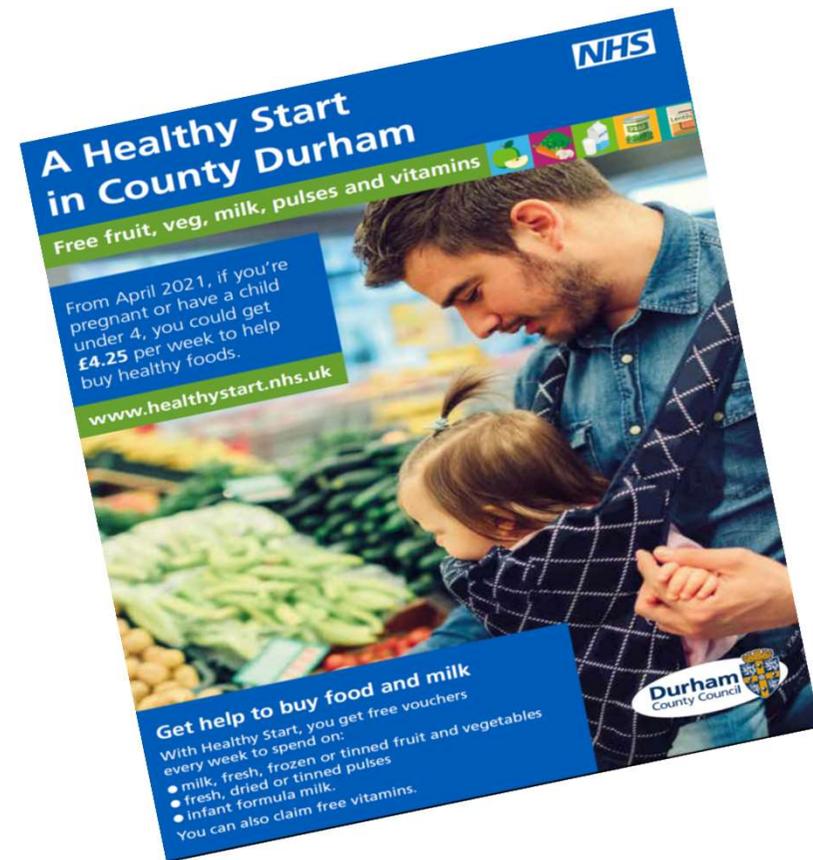
Healthy Start Programme

Uptake has increased by from 54 % in Sept 2020 to 68 % in Sept 2021

There are currently 3,820 individuals benefitting from this scheme in County Durham against 5,633 who are eligible)

The current 68% take-up is higher than both the regional average (67.9 percent) and the national average (60.6 percent)

New digital application being launched



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Cutting the cost of the school day: Raising awareness of child poverty

106 schools undertaken the programme

School uniform and PE kits

Food in school

After school clubs and trips

Resources and equipment

Charity and special events

Whole school considerations



DfE Holiday Activities with Healthy Food – Fun and Food

to eat more healthily over the school holidays.

to be more active during the school holidays.

to take part in engaging and enriching activities which support the development of resilience, character and well-being.

to be safe and not to be socially isolated.

to have greater knowledge of health nutrition.

to be more engaged with school and other local services

children and families develop their understanding of nutrition and food budgeting and are effectively signposted towards other information and support for example health, employment and education.

FUN & FOOD

Holiday activities with healthy food

Funded by the Department for Education

Durham
County Council



County Durham Delivery Model

AAP Locality Based Provision

Contracted provision (area based and countywide provision)

DCC service providers (including schools, culture, sport and leisure services and 0-19 Family Centres)

The holiday provision should meet the following DfE National programme standards.

Support is available to help you to work towards achieving the standards.

Developed a Provider Forum

Training and support offer

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Summer Programme

- **128** Projects
- **19,127** (including 'other' children i.e. pre school and 16 plus) engaged with projects
- **48%** of FSM eligible children in Durham engaged with projects
- **984** children had additional needs
- **Swimming Offer**
- **88%** face to face provision and **12%** remote provision
- <https://youtu.be/B-bMGonp49I>
- **DfE committed £200 million per annum x 3 years**



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Next Steps

- ✓ **DCC CYPS will conclude the review the School Benevolent Fund along with Board of Trustees.**
- ✓ **We will continue to develop and deliver a comprehensive 'Holiday activities with healthy food programme' across County Durham in line with DfE guidance and feedback from children, young people and families;**
- ✓ **We will refresh the 'Cutting cost of school/ pre-school day' programme using the Thrive Model to develop a robust and targeted offer consider digital poverty within educational environment**
- ✓ **Develop and implement an inclusive offer to children, young people and parents/carers promoting accessible leisure services across County Durham**

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Any Questions ?



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