

Tackling Poverty KIOP 2016/17 -

What we will improve & how we will measure success	2016/17
	Target
We will develop a Tackling Poverty Policy statement outlining the Council's overarching approach to tackling poverty. (12137)	August 2016
We will establish a Tackling Poverty Advisory Panel to oversee the Tackling Poverty Action Plan and support the Executive Board Member with responsibility for Tackling Poverty in executing their responsibilities. (12138)	August 2016
We will update the tackling poverty action plan to reflect priorities for 2016/17 and embed it into the KIOP. (12139)	July 2016
<b>Preventing Poverty</b>	
We will further develop the Team Around the Family (TAF) approach across the county for 0-25 year olds as a means of accessing preventative services, in accordance with the implementation of the SSWB Act (2014). We will actively engage in planning for future change and sustainability in view of changes to the Families First (FF) grant and focus on reducing the need for statutory care and support. (12140)	March 2017
We will continue to implement the final year of the expanded Flying Start (FS) programme, promoting early intervention for disadvantaged families with children (0-3) living in specific deprived communities. We will actively engage in planning for future change and sustainability in accordance with Welsh Government future guidance for the grant. (12141)	March 2017
We will continue to implement the final year of the re-commissioned Families First (FF) (0-25) programme, promoting early intervention for disadvantaged families across the County. We will actively engage in planning for future change and sustainability in accordance with Welsh Government future guidance for the grant. (12142)	March 2017
We will further develop childcare and play opportunities in line with gaps and priorities detailed in the respective Child Care and Play Sufficiency Action Plans 16/17. (12143)	March 2017
% pupils that are eligible for Free School Meals who achieved the Level 2 threshold including a GCSE grade A*-C in English or Welsh first language & mathematics (5.0.3.1) 2015/16 Target: 31.60% Result: 33.69)	34.20%
<b>Helping People Into Work</b>	
% of people aged 16-64 in Employment in Carmarthenshire (Oct 14-Sep15) (Source: Annual Population Survey ONS) Result: 69% (Wales Average 70.3%)	-
The % of children living in workless households (Source: Welsh Government Stats Wales - 2014) 14.8% (Wales Average 14.6%)	-
<b>Improving the lives of those living in poverty</b>	
We will deliver a campaign to raise awareness of financial advice and support available to residents. (12144)	March 2017
We will support local communities to develop projects/activities to address issues of rural poverty highlighted through the rural poverty study 2015. (12145)	ongoing
We will retain the reduced average number of days taken to process new Housing/Council Tax Benefit claims (6.6.1.2) (2015/16 Target: 24.5 days Result: 21.76 days)	23 days
We will retain the low average number of days taken to process notifications of changes of circumstances in Housing/Council Tax Benefit claims (6.6.1.3) (2015/16 Target: 5 days Result: 5.23 days)	5.5 days
We will retain the high % of recently calculated Housing/Council Tax Benefit claims that have been calculated accurately based on a sample check (6.6.1.9) (2015/16 Target: 94% Result: 95.45%)	95%
% of working age population in receipt of out of work benefits (Nov 14 -Nov 15) (Source: ONS) (Previous Year Result: 12.5% WA: 12.7%)	-
We will help additional residents in Carmarthenshire fight fuel poverty in their communities by co-ordinating 'Fuel Clubs' to bulk purchase oil and a reduced price. (12146)	Mar 2017 & ongoing