# Orkney Islands Regional Marine Plan Children's Rights and Wellbeing Impact Assessment: Draft



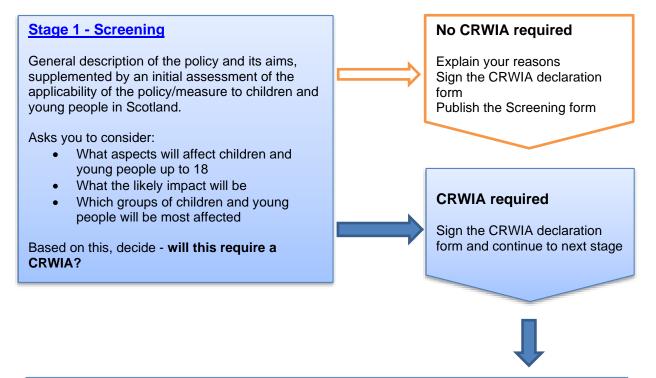


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### The Children's Rights and Wellbeing Impact Assessment Flowchart

Follow links below to the three different stages of the Children's Rights and Wellbeing Impact Assessment (CRWIA) process.

There is a three stage process to CRWIA. This flowchart lays out the different steps you should take. Templates are available with key questions for each stage of the process, supported by guidance on what you need to consider at each stage.



#### Stage 2 – the CRWIA

Asks you to set out:

- All relevant Articles of the UNCRC and Optional Protocols
- What impact the policy will have on children's rights
- How the policy/measure will contribute to child wellbeing (using the GIRFEC child wellbeing indicators)
- How the policy/measure will give better or further effect to the implementation of the UNCRC in Scotland
- The evidence base for the assessment, including the results of consultations with stakeholder groups
- How you have involved children and young people in the assessment



#### Stage 3 - Authorisation and Publication of CRWIA

Prepare an abridged version of the CRWIA for publication that summarises Stage 2 findings. There are two different Stage 3 templates: <u>one for policies</u>, and <u>one for legislation</u>.

The senior accountable officer must sign off the CRWIA.

Consider preparing an accessible or child-friendly version of the CRWIA for publication.

#### CRWIA Stage 1 Screening - key questions

1. Name the policy, and describe its overall aims.

**Orkney Islands Regional Marine Plan:** Orkney's vision for the marine and coastal environment is one that is clean, healthy, safe and productive, managed to meet the long-term needs of nature and the local people. The Plan aims to balance sustainable use, whilst ensuring effective conservation, of the marine environment. Its purpose is to ensure a healthy and diverse marine ecosystem that supports current and future generations. The Plan will reflect the requirements for regional marine plans under the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 and associated Delegation of Functions Direction 2020. The policies framework will be in line with Scotland's National Marine Plan (2015) and will be used to assess marine development applications for Marine Licences (by Marine Directorate of the Scottish Government), SEPA CAR licences, Works Licences and marine planning applications (by OIC), and leases by Crown Estate Scotland (CES).

# 2. What aspects of the policy/measure will affect children and young people up to the age of 18?

The Articles of the UNCRC and the child wellbeing indicators under the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 apply to all children and young people up to the age of 18, including non-citizen and undocumented children and young people.

No discernible affect.

# 3. What likely impact – direct or indirect – will the policy/measure have on children and young people?

'Direct' impact refers to policies/measures where children and young people are directly affected by the proposed changes, e.g. in early years, education, child protection or looked after children (children in care). 'Indirect' impact refers to policies/measures that are not directly aimed at children but will have an impact on them. Examples include: welfare reforms, parental leave, housing supply, or local transport schemes.

None; there are no anticipated direct impacts expected from the objectives, priorities and policies within the first Orkney Islands Regional Marine Plan.

### 4. Which groups of children and young people will be affected?

Under the UNCRC, 'children' can refer to: individual children, groups of children, or children in general. Some groups of children will relate to the groups with protected characteristics under the Equality Act 2010: disability, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation. 'Groups' can also refer to children by age band or setting, or those who are eligible for special protection or assistance: e.g. preschool children, children in hospital, children in rural areas, looked after children, young people who offend, victims of abuse or exploitation, child migrants, or children living in poverty.

No discernible affect as no specific groups will be directly affected from the high level policies, priorities or objectives in the final Orkney Islands Regional Marine Plan.

## 5. Will this require a CRWIA?

Explain your reasons.

The Orkney Islands Regional Marine Plan will have no discernible effects on children's rights and wellbeing as the policies within the Plan do not relate to activities specifically aimed at children or young people directly or indirectly and any potential minor impact cannot reasonably be isolated or measured in a proportional manner.

Section 16 (5) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 requires that the first report must be published before the expiry of five years beginning with the date on which the marine plan concerned was adopted. This will include another assessment on whether a CRWIA is required.

### **CRWIA Declaration**

Tick relevant section, and complete the form.

CRWIA required	CRWIA not required
	Not required.
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