

Fife Council

16th March 2023

Conservative Amendment to Motion 5

“Council supports the Wave Trust's 70/30 campaign to reduce child abuse, neglect and other adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) by at least 70% by the year 2030. Council asks officers to bring a report to a future meeting of the Cabinet Committee on how the ambitions of this campaign can best be achieved in Fife.”

Amendment to Motion 5:

(Keep text and add to it the below)

Council is reminded of conjoined Motion 6 (March 2019) that:

- Notes the campaign to make Scotland the first Adverse Child Experiences (ACE) aware Nation, and the work done by the Fife ACEs group to gain over 1100 active members in less than six months; and the creation in Fife of the “Be that Person” DVD
- Considers that increased awareness of the impact of ACEs is key to driving investment in initiatives that promote safe, stable and nurturing relationships and environments which can have a positive impact on a broad range of challenges and on the development of skills that will help children and young people reach their full potential
- Urges all concerned to use ACE awareness to have a positive impact on both individuals and society as a whole
- Supports all teaching staff, pupils support assistants and early years practitioners to be encouraged to take up opportunities for continued professional learning sessions on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

Today:

- Council acknowledges that Adverse Childhood Experiences can and do impact on learning, attainment and future prospects for children and young people
- Council recognises that a multi-agency Trauma Informed Steering Group is in place in Fife
- Council recognises that Trauma Informed learning is taking place across our early years and school settings to support and train staff working with children and young people

Council requests that a report to Cabinet Committee should also include:

- An update on the work of the Trauma Informed Steering Group

- Feedback produced following opportunities for continued professional learning (including online learning) undertaken by teaching staff, PSAs and early years practitioners to become Trauma Informed
- Consideration as to how to make the workforce of Fife, including elected representatives, more aware of Adverse Childhood Experiences and how to become Trauma Informed

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