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East Dunbartonshire Easy Read British Sign Language Plan 2024 to 2030



Welcome to East Dunbartonshire's easy read
British Sign Language plan 2024-2030.

We hope you enjoy reading it.





Scottish Government
Riaghaltas na h-Alba

Introduction

The Scottish Government sees British Sign Language (BSL) as one of the languages of Scotland. BSL users have a right to equal choices and chances to take part in things and to be fully included. The British Sign Language (Scotland) Act 2015 says we must publish plans every six years, showing how we will tell more people about BSL in East Dunbartonshire Council and encourage them to use it.



Since the British Sign Language Plan was published, we have had a public consultation and visited our community at various events to get their views.

A **consultation** is when people are asked what they think about something.

These events helped us to decide what work should be in this plan. We listened to our community and made any necessary changes.

We Are All Equal



We will start a **Unity Voice Forum Group** - this group will check how the work in this plan is going.

We will publish a progress report in **2025** to show if work is going well and every year after that for the life of the plan.



Priority areas – the work we think is most important.

1. Delivering the British Sign Language Plan 2024 - 2030

Our long-term goal – what we want to have achieved in the future.



We will:

1. Start a **Unity Voice Forum Group** with **BSL** language users on it.
2. Work with **partners, businesses and the Deaf and Deafblind community** to share what works well and to make the development of our local BSL plans better.
3. Make **inclusive** communication rules to make sure **partners and businesses** are inclusive. **Inclusive** means it works well for everyone.
4. To make sure service information is available in an accessible preferred format for **BSL users**.
5. Publish a report in **2025 showing** what we have achieved so far.
6. Promote **British Sign Language** and **BSL culture**. BSL culture means it has its own behaviours, art, history and values.

Children, young people and their families

Getting it right for every child (GIRFEC) is our commitment to give all children, young people, and their families the right support at the right time.

We want to make **East Dunbartonshire** the best place to grow up.



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