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A Fairer Scotland for Older People – A Framework for Action

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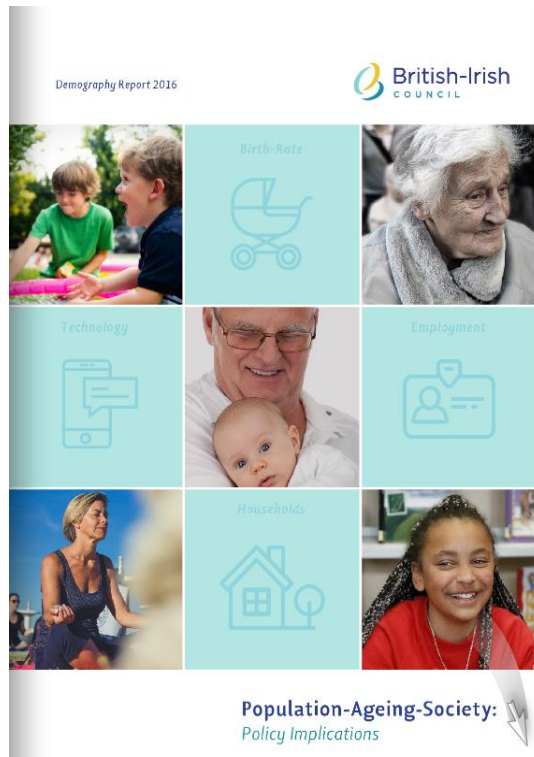


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46 Recommendations covering 6 themes:

- 1. We will act to continue to improve opportunities for older people - to remove barriers and to create more chances for older people to participate and to be involved in their communities - as volunteers; through paid work; in learning, leisure, culture and sport.**
- 2. We will act to forge better links between the generations**
- 3. We will continue to act to improve the health and quality of life of older people**
- 4. We will continue to improve care, support and protection for those older people who need it.**
- 5. We will ensure that the right infrastructure is in place for a Scotland with an ageing population with housing, transport and planning progressively meeting the needs of all ages.**
- 6. We will offer learning opportunities throughout life.**

Other work



Being Older in Scotland

- Intersectionality
- Population change
- A diverse policy portfolio
- Ageism
- Life expectancy
- Human rights

Purpose of the Framework

- Platform for action
- Address age inequality
- Policy coherency
- Tackle intersectional inequalities
- Explore future areas of work

Development of the Framework

Stakeholder Engagement

- Establishment of the Older People's Strategic Action Forum
- Identification of Priority themes and areas for action
- Mapping of Scottish Government Policy
- Further consultative engagement with Stakeholder's members and Networks

Areas for Action and Priority themes

Areas for action:

- Hearing older people's voices
- Supporting positive engagement
- Removing barriers to positive ageing

Themes:

- Accessing public services
- Engaging with, and contributing to communities
- Ensuring financial security

Where are we now?

- Implementation – 56 actions
- Ageism Guidance?
- Monitoring by OPSAF
- Annual report – April 2020

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