



Open Data Publication Plan

Purpose

The Open Data Publication Plan sets out Children's Hearings Scotland's commitment to publishing Open Data it holds in line with the [Scottish Government Open Data Strategy](#).

The publication of data which CHS holds as Open Data will allow CHS to be as open and transparent as possible, in line with its organisational values.

What is Open Data?

Open data is defined within the Scottish Government's Open Data Strategy as:

- Open data is non-personal and non-commercially sensitive
- Open data is easily discoverable, accessible to anyone and able to be freely used, re-used and redistributed by anyone
- Open Data is data made available, via the internet, in an electronic format which supports its ready re-use, and with open licensing which allows its reuse

What Open Data does CHS hold?

Many of the data sets which CHS hold contain personal data and are therefore not classed as Open Data. Further to this, much of the statistical information relating to the Children's Hearings System is recorded and published by other organisations, including the Scottish Children's Reporters Administration.

CHS does not have any data which can be published as Open Data at present but is committed to reviewing any information which it creates in future for its eligibility for publication as Open Data.

Any Open Data which CHS publishes will be published on its website and outlined in its [Guide to Information](#).

How will Open Data be Published?

CHS will also endeavour to publish all Open Data in 3* format as defined by the universally recognised 5* schema proposed by Sir Tim Berners-Lee for the deployment of Open Data.¹

All Open Data will be published under the Open Government Licence and as such will be free for re-use.

¹ <http://www.w3.org/DesignIssues/LinkedData.html>

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