

## Voluntary Sector Children's Services Forum (VSCSF)

*"Working together, sharing our knowledge skills and resources to support children, families and communities to reach their full potential."*

**Monday 24 March 2025**

**10am – 12pm**

**Via MS Teams**

### Present:

Eloise Wilson (Chairperson)  
Laura Jamieson (Minute Taker)  
Annabel Russell  
Beverley Isdale  
Claire  
Debbie Fraser  
Diane Cairns  
Duncan Watson

Kim Wyllie

Lauren Gilmour  
Lou Carberry  
Melissa Condie  
Olivia Wilson

Rachel Morran

Safia Ali  
Tanya Richards

### Apologies:

Roua Lamine

### Guests:

Leah Cornish  
Louise Jenks

CVS Falkirk & District  
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Go! Youth Trust  
First 4 Kids  
GO Kids  
Transform Form Valley (Time 4 Us)  
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Falkirk's Mental Health Association (FDAMH)  
Falkirk and Clackmannanshire Carers Centre  
Forth Valley Sensory Centre  
LGBT Youth Scotland  
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RISE Forth Valley (previously Al Masaar)  
Wellbeing Scotland

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Ygam

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### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Eloise introduced herself, welcomed all attendees to the meeting and introduced Leah and Lousie from Ygam, who led the training session. Due to copyright, members were informed the meeting was not recorded, and they were asked not to take photos of the presentation (which they would receive a copy of).

### 2. Minutes of Previous Minutes and Action Tracker

Due to the training session, the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 11 December 2024 will be approved at the next meeting, taking place Wednesday 11 June 2025.

### 3. Gaming and Gambling Harms Experienced by Children and Young People

[Ygam](#) is a UK-wide charity working to ensure every child and young person is resilient to gaming and gambling harms, with lived experience being key to their work and history.

The Gambling Commission's official definition of gambling is "staking money on outcomes you can't influence" – all gambling activities have risk, and carry the chance of harm.

The session's learning outcomes included:

- understanding why children and young people game or gamble
- understanding what is meant by "gaming and gambling harm"
- recognising the signs of gaming and gambling harm
- where to go for help and support
- increased confidence for participants in talking to people about gaming and gambling

Following the session, participants would receive access to Ygam's online over 1,000 resources, along with their City and Guilds certificate and digital credential. This is via the online platform they had already been granted access to ahead of the session. Ygam's alumni workshops can also be booked through the platform.

For further information on Ygam, their services and training, please visit [their website](#) (linked for your convenience).

### 4. AOB

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

**Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 11 June 2025  
10am – 12pm**

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