## ABOUT THIS REPORT

## What is the LGBF?

The LGBF is a benchmarking instrument with a primary objective of empowering senior management teams and elected officials to scrutinise council services. Rooted in the collaborative efforts of SOLACE (Scotland) and COSLA it uses measurement standards and comparable data as catalysts for improving services.

The framework is a key component of each council's legal obligations for public performance reporting. It supersedes the preceding Statutory Performance Indicators (SPI) regimen, reflecting an evolved approach to measuring and enhancing council services.

## Key points.

- 1. This report presents indicators grouped in an order that reflects the citizen's journey, creating a more meaningful experience both in terms of analytical insights and readability. The indicators are arranged starting from: early education, care, environment, economy, property & regulation, and corporate.
- **2.** The LGBF Board has approved the inclusion of new indicators to enhance the benchmarking suite. The newly included indicators are: Corporate Services
- CORP 9: Proportion of SWF Crisis Grants decisions within 1 day
- CORP 10: Proportion of SWF Community Care Grants decisions within 15 days
- CORP 11: Proportion of SWF Budget Spent
- CORP 12: Proportion of DHP Funding Spent

## Symbology

Below is an explanation of the symbology used in this report:



Value	Previous Value	Rank (FG)	Previous Rank (FG)	Rank (Scotland)	Previous Rank (Scotland)
93.4%	93.7%	2	3	8	10

1	2018-21 <b>77.4</b> %	Data collection period and result.
2	Improving & Increasing	Direction of travel (increasing/decreasing) and whether this means improvement (green) or deterioration (red).
3	<u>^</u>	Green arrow: Ranking/Performance improved compared to before. Gray line: Ranking/Performance stayed the same as before. Red arrow: Ranking/Performance deteriorated compared to before.
4	#5	Rank within Stirling Council's family group. NB. there are two family groupings - see next page.
7	FG	FG stands for Family Group. For more information, please refer to the next page.
8	Scotland	The national ranking illustrates where Stirling Council stands in relation to all other local authorities in Scotland. Please note that this may not always provide useful insights, as certain outcomes may involve comparisons that are not strictly comparable.