



GIRFEC Leadership Group Briefing

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GIRFEC Request for Assistance Form

Who is this briefing for?

This briefing is from the GIRFEC Leadership Group, and it is relevant to anyone in the public or third sector in Dumfries and Galloway who has sent or received a Request for Assistance form (RfA).

What do staff need to do?

We need to review our RfA and we would like staff who are familiar with the form to complete a [short survey](#) on it. The survey should only take a few minutes to complete, and will be available until Friday 06 February 2026.



What is the background to this?

The GIRFEC Leadership Group updated the RfA around a year ago and we need to find out whether this has been an improvement, and if there are any other aspects of the RfA process that can be improved. We have some anecdotal feedback and suggestions, but we want to collect evidence from a wider range of staff. The form has had a further minor update in January 2026 and the current version is available on the [GIRFEC Resources for Staff Page](#) of the [Children's Services Website](#). If you have any other versions saved on your local systems, please can you delete these. **The Children's Services website is the single multi-agency point of download** for the up-to-date versions of all GIRFEC documents.

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