



Children & Young People's Strategic Partnership



Western Area Outcomes Group Action Plan 2021-2024

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Emotional Children Regional School Health and with **Poverty Priorities** Disruption Wellbeing Disabilities Western Area All Children and young people are All children and YP have the best All children and young people are Outcomes safe and their welfare is start in life and are emotionally and supported to thrive and achieve their promoted within their homes, **Group Priorities** physically healthy potential schools and communities Increased access to community activities for · Greater collaboration and cooperation Children feel seen, heard, valued and CYP, awareness and outreach between Statutory/Voluntary/Community Outcomes Parents have increased awareness of Orgs Cultural change and investment to meet · All CYP have a safe place to go to and importance of strong emotional attachment requirements of children with disability someone to talk to when they need support Referral pathways to help parents cyp access support at the right time Identify good local practice and expand Raise awareness with CYP on how to access Sustained interaction with relevant regional Learning mentors within schools services organisations · Promote EHWB community activities Take on board recommendations from "Our Key Work with YP to be ambassadors Promote importance of a trusted person and Journey Report" to include investment Promote MACE resilience/attachment Support for children and families on waiting lists Actions support organisations for diagnosis programmes · Consistent TIP bullying policies and Promote TIP training procedures in schools Underpinned by: The voice of children Task and Finish Outcomes Informed Locality Planning Family Support Children's Rights Early Intervention Star Consent Groups Hubs & young people Groups

Priority 1: All children and YP have the best start in life and are emotionally and physically healthy

Note: Status Green have been achieved Amber in progress Red not achieved or commenced

Outcomes	Action Plan agreed to date	Statu s	Progress to date	Monitori ng	Links
Increased access to community activities for children and young people, raise awareness and outreach to improve physical and emotional wellbeing	1: Raise awareness of Unicef work 2: Scoping exercise on what is currently available in schools re: EHWB services. This will be shared with WAOG and EHWB in schools project lead by Dr T McShane in SPPG 3: £60K Funding across 22/23-23/24 - project to focusing on Hope and emotional and physical wellbeing for young people, to include element of training for youth workers. This project will raise awareness to young people on services and how to access and promote community activities as key to emotional health and wellbeing. Project to roll out funding to youth		1: Presentation on UNICEF at WAOG meeting on 15.12.21. Regular updates from UNICEF at WAOG 2: Priscilla processing and will update at each T&F Group meeting 3: 6 projects funded in each LPG area. Year 1 projects now completed. (April 2023)	Report Cards scope of you training	NI Children's Strategy PFG Making Life Better Community Planning
	workers to raise awareness of support for C&YP 4: Young people will be ambassadors for the Youth Wellness Web 5: Scoping of Youth Provision, to link into Unicef, FODC, Mapping EHWB provision CYP, EA. Sports NI. Identify gaps, work to address. 6: Autism social café to increase access and awareness of services, to be held in each LPG area		 4: Link with Priscilla's work with schools, NW Ministry of Youth, F&O Youth voice Group to coproduce regional YWW video To be carried over to new plan 5: This is ongoing as part of Unicef. 6: Multiple Autism Cafes held across the western area. Currently being evaluated 7: Principle and Poul to undetent 		
	7: Scoping of requests for parenting programmes including type and delivery method		7: Priscilla and Paul to update at August 2023 meeting		

MACE to promote resilience and 1: MACE manager to present at WAOG meeting – MACE project	
programmes for parents/carers WAOG meeting – MACE project MACE Training MACE Training	
nformed Practice awareness	
2: Share information on available training Youth Wellness Web – Free Mental Health Training – Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership (CYPSP) (hscni.net	
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Priority 2: All children and YP are safe and their welfare is promoted within their homes, schools and communities

Outcomes	Action Plan agreed to date	Status	Progress to date	Monitori	Links
There is greater collaboration and multi-agency cooperation between the statutory, voluntary and community organisations	 £60K Health Promoting Families programme to be delivered in each LPG area in 2022/23 and 2023/24 Programmes to be codesigned by the attendees, and will include elements of personal development, physical activities, nutrition, connecting with children, link into other local initiatives. Identify good local practice models and roll out to other areas – e.g. FACT (Families Achieving Change Together) Advocacy Model, Walking on Eggshells, Cloudmind, Link LPG chairs involved in governance re: child poverty, Local Growth Partnerships. Informed consent process rolled out for 'key services' Informed Consent template included in Safeguarding Policy and Procedure 		1 - Lead bodies identified for both years. Year 1 delivered 2 - LPG networks and OG members invited to FACT showcasing event, 25 June 2023 Right time Right Place highlighted as Good Practice in Local EI workstream and will feed into regional EI workstream (Ongoing) 3 - Claire and Oonagh. Fermanagh & Omagh LPG chairs and Priscilla on poverty group in FO 4 - DCSDC have embedded in safeguarding policy 5 - 1 CVS, EAYS and WHSCT identifying policies to change in coming months (June 2023)	Funding pro	NI Children's Strategy PPFG Making Life Better Community Planning

All children have a safe place to go and someone to talk to when they need support, feel sad, worried or anxious. The support accessed is high quality, evidence-based CYP- friendly and rights respecting.

- 6- Ensure sustained interaction with regional organisations who have responsibility for safeguarding in general to ensure delivery at local level (e.g. SBNI)
- 7- Promote the importance of a trusted person and support organisations link to TIP training in NWRC OCN level 4, Skill Up training. OCN level 5 Infant Mental Health.
- 8- Promote Solihull training for families
- 9- Promote Organisational trauma informed toolkit that is being developed by SBNI to help organisations to have Trauma Informed Practice
- 10-Bullying policies and procedures within EA Youth Service are adopted to take into consideration a Trauma Informed Approach/ ACES (this in the year 2 of UNICEF plan)
- 11-Keep informed of developments arising from AIMHI merging with UKIMH

6- Muriel to act as conduit between WAOG and SBNI and updates.
Information shared on C2K
- Invite Orla & Kerri to OG to update on online safety work that is ongoing

7- Training specific to Trust staff at the moment but may open up to other organisations, Paul to keep group informed and share out to member organisations

8- Pricilla and Paul to produce FYIs to spotlight good practice such as Solihull training. All members to share

9 - Muriel to keep group up to date on

10 Claire to update when UNICEF work focuses on this Deirdre to update on changes to antibullying forum

11 - Priscilla to keep WAOG updated on this

Solihull Approach : New Term, New Start, New Learning **Parenting** Course Northern Ireland | Safeguard ing Board for Northern Ireland (safeguar dingni.org

Priority 3: All children and young people are supported to thrive and achieve their potential

Outcomes	Action Plan agreed to date	Status	Progress to date	Monitori ng	Links
Children feel seen, heard, valued and understood	1: Connect with Youth Forum, Young Voice, Youth Councils, EA LAGs to gain advice on pertinent issues and bring back to WOAG. E.g. LBGTQIA+ issues. Develop actions as appropriate		Priscilla and Valerie Maxwell to engage with EA youth voice groups	Report Cards	NI Children's Strategy
	2: Understand UNICEF badges and how these could be incorporated into individual action plans. Building Child Rights into practice.3: Develop and coordinate regular communications from WAOG and share widely		Laura to take forward with Claire Lynch Info to be shared through FYIs		PFG Making Life Better
Culture change and investment to meet requirements of children with a disability and ensure access to services at the right time	4: Children with a disability - Take on board recommendations from "Our Journey" to include investment and share evidence of good practice e.g. Sparks and Foyle Down's Syndrome Trust. To include stepped approach to awareness/capacity/training 5: Develop inclusion annual awards to recognise incorporation of recommendations from Our Journey	•	To be reviewed to look at taking forward in New plan		Communit y Planning Infant Mental Health Strategy
Referral pathways are developed to help parents and children and young people access support at the right time	Report (2020) (person and organisational) 6: £60K funding over 22/23-23/24 for ASD Early Intervention service immediately post diagnosis joint/match funded with Autism NI 7: Provide overview of support, programmes, training, etc. and share with key stakeholders (practitioners/parents/CYP) who will cascade appropriately 8: Increased understanding and awareness of where to go for help and support. FYI, Family Support NI, FSH, EWB Framework 9: Link with EHWB regional lead re: new framework to support for children and families on waiting lists for diagnosis.		Service in place Update to be provided quarterly by Margaret Ferris Scope CYPSP SM/Website Priscilla and Paul working on FYI (June 2023) Gerard O'Hanlon to be invited to WAOG meeting when framework is available Gerard will be invited to next WAOG to provide presentation on Framework and IThrive Youth Wellness Web – Free Mental Health Training – Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership (CYPSP) (hscni.net)	P3 fundi propos	Pathfinder

Parents/carers and teachers feel empowered to support children and young people's mental health.	 10: Training and awareness raising with parents to improve mental, physical health through awareness of and access to ways to improve coping strategies, activity levels and overall WB – Work in partnership with MACE project and their programmes and activities 11: Link to DE EHWB framework and include RoE, Reach, Take 5 Networks etc. Sleep Awareness, Digital Safeguarding. Pool resources and expertise to support best practice across life of plan. 		Solihull Approach: New Term, New Start, New Learning Parenting Course Northern Ireland Safeguarding Board for Northern Ireland (safeguardingni.org) Theresa McShane to be invited to next WAOG to provide presentation on EWTs in School https://www.education- ni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/e ducation/Children%20%26%20Young%2 0People%20s%20Emotional%20Health %20and%20Wellbeing%20in%20Educati on%20Framework%20%28final%20versi on%29.PDF	
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Priority 4: Poverty

Outcomes	Action Plan agreed to date	Status	Progress to date	Monitoring	Links
Signpost/provide timely support for families, Children and Young People in respect of food, fuel poverty & cost of living crisis.	 Identify current local structures in place to tackle poverty and cost of living crisis across each Council area in the Western Outcomes Group area. Identify research and best practice and learning in respect of antipoverty and childcare to be shared via WAOG up to CYPSP Partners to help influence Policy. Scope impact on services from Poverty across Statutory, Community and Voluntary services. Update WAOG section of CYPSP Cost of Living Resource and continue to share widely across the area with support services and families. 		To be carried over to new Plan		NI Children's Strategy 2020-30 — Physical & Mental Health; Living in Safety & Stability; Positive Contribution to Society; Promotion of equality and of good relations; Respect for Rights. PFG — Outcome 14; 9; 3. Making Life Better — Theme 1

Underpinning principles

Review of funding opportunities, SLAs, tender and grant process to identify key opportunities to embed a CR based approach Communicate and show case examples of good practice across the region Potential of outcome star used to measure outcome to be used by funded services Children's Rights are included in the reporting and review of tendered services/ projects / evaluation of grants Locality Planning Group Family Support Hubs Use task and finish groups to deliver actions Co-production with children and young people Ensure impact assessments (to include area appropriate groups)

Appendix 1: Western Area Outcomes Group Membership

Statutory	HSCT (Chair)	Tom Cassidy
Sector	HSCT (Family Support)	Suzanne Mahon
	HSCT (Disability)	Kevin Duffy
	HSCT (Hub Lead)	Mairead McGilloway
	HSCT (Public Health)	Kevin Duffy
	HSCT Safeguarding	Suzanne Mahon
	HSCT (Other)	Elizabeth Campbell (Pathfinder & Transformation
	Education Authority	Deirdre Hasson
	NI Housing Executive	Eddie Doherty
	Community Planning/Council	Barry O'Hagan/Susan Mullan (DCSDC) Claire Lynch (DCSDC) Helen Sheils/Kim McLaughlin (FODC) VACANT (CCGDC)
	PSNI	William Calderwood
		Denise McCallion
	Public Health Agency	
	Parenting Co-ordinator	Lisa Storey
	Youth Justice Agency	Paul Ryan Mairead McMullen
	Childcare Partnership LCG Link	
		Jo Deehan
	Domestic and Sexual Violence Partnership	Mary McCann Maniso Malatura (Dant for Communities All ID)
	Other Partnerships	Monica McIntyre (Dept for Communities, NHR) Elizabeth Campbell (Pathfinder)
Voluntary Se	ector	Paul Kellagher (Action for Children)
, , ,		Joanne Sweeney (MENCAP)
		Muriel Bailey (Parenting NI)
		Laura Feeney (Save the Children)
Community Sector		Brenda MacQueen (Dry Arch)
		Linda Watson (Caw/Nelson Drive Community Association)
		Carrie Tracey (Rainbow Child and Family Centre)
		Alison Wallace (Waterside Neighbourhood Partnership)

BME	Lilian Seenoi-Barr (North West Migrants Forum)
	Louise McLaughlin EYO Toybox
Locality Planning Group Chairs	Aileen McGuiness (BB Health Forum) Derry LPG
	Judith Searle (Barnardo's) Strabane LPG
	Erin McFeely (Derry Health City) Waterside LPG
	Leo McCloskey (Principal Termoncanice PS) Limavady LPG
	Edel Fox (Omagh Women's Aid) Omagh LPG
	Mark Rogers (EXTERN) Fermanagh LPG
Locality Planners	Paul Sweeney (Derry, Limavady, Strabane, Waterside)
	Priscilla Magee (Fermanagh and Omagh)
CYPSP	Maxine Gibson (CSP Professional Advisor)
	Bronwyn Campbell (Regional FSH Coordinator)
	Valerie Maxwell (Regional Planning & Information Manager)

Priority 1: Membership of the Best Start in Life Emotionally & Physically Healthy Task and Finish Group

Mairéad McMullen - ChildCare Partnership

Carrie Mullan – Rainbow Child and Family Centre Brenda MacQueen – Dry Arch

Lisa McGrath - MENCAP

Denise McCallion - PHA

Dolores Hagan - FODC

Leza Cleary - FODC

Susan Mullan - DCSDC

Louise McLaughlin - Early Years Organisation

Priscilla Magee – LPG Coordinator

Paul Sweeney – LPG Coordinator

Priority 2: Membership of the C&YP are Safe Task and Finish Group

Paul Ryan – YJA Edel Fox – Omagh Women's Aid

Claire Lynch – DCSDC

Helen Sheils – FODC Brenda MacQueen – Dry Arch

Kim Weir – FODC

Aileen McGuinness – BBHF Muriel Bailey – Parenting NI

Priscilla Magee – LPG Coordinator

Paul Sweeney – LPG Coordinator

Priority 3: Membership of the C&YP Thrive and Achieve Task and Finish Group

Alison Wallace – Waterside Neighbourhood Partnership

Brenda MacQueen - Dry Arch

Joanna Boyd - DCSDC

Dolores Hagan – FODC Rioghnach Murphy - Barnardos

Lisa Storey - WHSCT

Mairead McGilloway - WHSCT

Laura Feeney – Save the Children

Priscilla Magee - LPG Coordinator

Deirdre Hasson - EA

Paul Sweeney – LPG Coordinator

Other members to Join/Co-opt staff into group

Priority 4: Poverty Task and Finish Group

Paul Kellagher – Action for Children (Chair)

Claire McGillion - Parenting NI

Sharon Callaghan – Strabane SureStart

Paul Sweeney – LPG coordinator

Deirdre O'Connor - FODC

Priscilla Magee – LPG Coordinator

Donna Downey - WHSCT

Laura Feeney – Save the Children

Brenda MacQueen – Dry Arch

Alison Wallace - Waterside Neighbourhood Partnership

Aileen McGuinness - BBHF