

Belfast Outcomes Group Meeting held in Conference Room, 124 Stewartstown Road, Belfast BT11 4JQ Wednesday 5 June 2013 10.00 am-1.00 pm

Present: Ms Lesley Walker

Belfast H&SC Trust

Statutory Sector

Mr Tommy Boyle Ms Anne Hardy Ms Jill Trotter Ms Una Geelan Ms Elaine Black Mr Jim Morgan Ms Nuala Toner Mr Maurice Leeson Mr Des Marley Ms Karen Burns Ms Jacqui McBrien

Community Sector

Mr Jim Girvan Ms Geraldine O'Regan Ms Maggie Andrews Ms Tina Gregory

Vountary Sector

Mr Kevin McCormick Ms Zeelie Sheerin Ms Charlene Brooks Ms Jane Kremer

In Attendance

Ms Lesley Addidle

Apologies

Ms Patricia Muldoon Emma Bond, District Mr Seamus Mullen Ms Roisin McCooey Mr Danny Power Mr Jackie Redpath Ms Dawn Thompson BHSCT Children's Services Planning Officer BELB CYSPS Belfast City Council Belfast Strategic Partnership Belfast HSCT H&SC Board NIHE BHSCT BSP

Blackie Community Group East Belfast Sure Start East Belfast Partnership Clanmore Sure Start

Assistant Director, Barnardos NI Early Years Parenting NI BLWA

Minute Taker

Youth Justice Agency PSNI N&W Belfast PHA Belfast Childcare Partnership HSCB Belfast Local Commissioning Group Belfast Strategic Partnership Bryson

Ms Walker	1. Welcome and Introductions
	Ms Walker welcomed everyone to the meeting.
	2. Apologies
	Apologies were duly noted.
	3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
	The Minutes of the previous meetings were agreed as an accurate reflection of the discussion. All factual inaccuracies were noted and amended.
	4. Matters Arising
	a. Interface with Regional Sub Groups
Ms Hardy	Ms Hardy reported that since the last Outcomes meeting a sub group met following the Regional Chairs Meeting and included one of the Chairs of the Regional Groups. A number of issues were raised. One of the main concerns was around explaining the different options – communication was an issue and it was felt that a summary containing the 4 key points should be circulated to Chairs of Regional Groups who in turn would distribute appropriately. Action Plans and timing were also a concern. It was suggested that Chairs would visit groups and give presentations. A further meeting of Chairs is scheduled for July 2013.
Ms Walker	Ms Walker reiterated that the key roles for Regional groups were around influencing and the key role of the Outcomes Groups is around delivery. Action : Anne Hardy to summarise 4 key points following Belfast Meeting to be circulated.
	b. Parents Reference Group
Ms Hardy	Ms Hardy advised that she had emailed the documents referenced previously and had not received feedback. She agreed to resend the document. The next Parents Referent Group meeting is proposed for 26 June 2013 at the Parenting NI Offices. Ms Hardy suggested a representative from Belfast Outcomes should attend.
Ms Gregory	Ms Tina Gregory advised she would attend on behalf of the Belfast

Ms Hardy	Outcomes. Ms Walker agreed that the Belfast Trust would consider how they could link into same via Tommy Boyle. Ms Hardy agreed to prepare papers ahead of the proposed meeting on 26 June 2013.
	Mr Boyle reported that a paper had been produced and accepted and the BME group had facilitated a parents and young people workshop. It was felt that this would influence part of the plan for how Outcomes groups should best engage with Children & Young People regarding their views.
	c. Update in Open Call Family Support Funding
Ms Walker	It was planned to bring the outcomes of all funding panels to today's meeting. However there are 2 significant issues – it had been agreed to put the Delivering Social Change Finance into the pot but despite verbal approval there has been no documentation to endorse this and Ms Walker advised that as the money has not been released and there has been no official sign off it was not possible to proceed. There was discussion around recurrent funding requiring clarity with regard to the amount that is in the pot. There is also a technical difficulty with transfer of some funds from the HSCB to the BHSCT which is also causing a delay. Ms Walker advised that an emergency meeting will be required when the funding is clarified to ensure money gets to projects asap. It was confirmed that an agreed quorum is not required; however it would be expected that as many people as possible could attend. Ms Walker acknowledged that there is a tight deadline.
Mr Boyle	Mr Boyle thanked those who sat on the panel. There was discussion around monies and Mr Boyle advised there was a good spread of money across the City. Mr Girvan raised concerns regarding funding and Ms Walker provided clarity.
Ms Gregory	Ms Gregory advised that community groups have planned summer schemes on the basis that the money would be available; community groups have taken huge risks.
	Further discussion occurred in relation to options whether any existed to confirm any of the funds.
Mr Leeson	Mr Leeson reiterated that there is only one part of the Business Case that is contentious, ie. the support for Family Support Hubs. However thus seems to be holding up confirmation regarding the other funding available.
Ms Andrews	Ms Andrews suggested that during the Evaluation period there should be an agenda item around how to inspire people who have been unsuccessful on this occasion.

Mr Boyle	Mr Boyle advised that feedback sessions would be arranged for successful and unsuccessful applicants.
Ms Walker	Ms Walker confirmed that the Group cannot make any commitment financially until written confirmation is received and that all members should raise the difficulties this caused wherever possible.
	d. Family Support Hubs
	i. Update re: DSC Co-ordination Funding
Mr Leeson	Mr Leeson reiterated that funding has not been allocated and there are issues around the co-ordination of HUBS. A meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 12 June 2013 when it is hoped that a verbal agreement will be given. There will be no further action until a resolution is achieved regarding the concerns that have been raised. Mr Leeson stated that he was unable to provide assurances as to whether the issues can be resolved easily.
Ms Andrews Ms O'Regan	Ms Andrews and Ms O'Regan asked for clarity regarding the issues that are causing concern. Mr Leeson advised that the issues were in relation to Delivering Social Change funding. He referred to a previous Press Release that had been issued stating funding was only for 10 new Hubs; whilst the Business Case had been prepared for 10 new HUBs, and for supporting existing HUBs. The issue is around whether the funding will be solely for 10 new HUBs; there is a concern that if part of the funding is not available to support the existing HUBs they may be forced to close.
Mr Leeson	Mr Leeson reported that each signature project was allocated to the Department and each Department was asked to present a Business Case.
Ms Sheerin	Ms Sheerin suggested that the lack of delivery of funding is preventing the Outcomes Group being effective.
	Discussion ensued regarding why groups locally can't proceed with Hubs proposals
Mr Boyle	Mr Boyle reported that from a Trust perspective there is a Governance issue that requires uniformity across Belfast. There needs to be assurance that consistent thresholds exist and that children and young people don't slip through the net.
Ms Gregory	Ms Gregory stated that credibility of the Group individually and collectively is questionable.
Mr McCormick	Mr McCormick advised that everyone was in agreement that there is a need for a Family Support Co-ordinator.

	ii. Update re: Family Support Hub Co-ordination
Ms Walker	There was a detailed discussion around the above and Ms Walker advised that there is a bridging issue. Ms Walker asked Mr Leeson to clarify whether if following the last meeting and subsequent advert for a secondment if anyone had come forward. Mr Leeson confirmed there had been no offers.
	Ms Walker confirmed that the Trust had been trying to work on a Contingency Plan for someone to lead this continued work to move Hubs forward in Belfast. However, the issue regarding the funding was now jeopardising this.
	Following further discussion Ms Walker agreed to nominate a Trust lead and to take the financial risk to ensure the Hubs could be moved forward. Outcomes members thanked the Trust for agreeing to take this lead at risk.
Mr Boyle	Mr Boyle advised that Mr Gerry Largey is the proposed person.
	e. Update on DEL Signature Project
Mr Leeson	Mr Leeson reported DEL has a signature project for young people who are NEET and require family support. They are happy to work with Outcomes groups around roll out of proposal and they would be happy to attend the Outcomes meeting to discuss implications.
Mr Morgan	Mr Morgan asked whether localities have been identified.
Ms Trotter	Ms Trotter reported from an educational perspective there are 11 nurture groups across 5 Boards – 20 new groups, 240 teachers going into schools and whilst it is a good idea there are issues that remain unresolved.
	It was agreed that a representative from DEL would be invited to the Outcomes Group meeting in September 2013 to provide an opportunity for them to highlight the work that is being undertaken in this area.
Mr Leeson	Action : Mr Leeson will liaise with the relevant individuals and arrange same.
Mr McCormick	Mr McCormick asked the input from Belfast City Council regarding young people.
	Ms Black reported there is a mapping exercise being undertaken and it is key that there is a central Government link.

Ms Burns	f. Mapping Tool and Geo-mapping
	Ms Burns addressed the Group re the above and she provided a presentation around referrals to Gateway and their outcomes to inform where services are required. The mapping exercise reflects referrals between September 2011 and March 2012. Part of the plan was to consider the presenting problems and identify where the need is. Ms Burns advised that the total number of referrals in the specified time frame was 5,983. Ms Burns simplified the map into wards of origin. Ms Burns explained 'Coding' and advised that this is regional. Ms Walker clarified that there are 4 teams covering the whole of the City accessed via a single point to ensure consistent thresholds. Ms Burns advised that she plans to visit Locality groups to eefine the information. Copies of the presentation will be made available via email.
Ms Walker	Ms Walker advised that further work is ongoing to map Child Protection and Looked After Children per ward which will give further assistance in mapping Hubs.
	g. Update on Locality Planning
Ms Hardy	Ms Hardy provided papers for members and she spoke to the paper. Ms Hardy advised that each Locality Group would have their own website.
Ms O'Regan	Ms O'Regan reported for South Belfast and she advised that more statistical information is required. Ms Hardy advised that the information is continually being updated. Ms O'Regan reported that South Belfast Locality Group had asked Mr Leeson to attend.
Ms Gregory	Ms Gregory reported for West Belfast. Information is provided and actively looking at how the information is accessed; issues such as disability; lack of statutory services. Ms Gregory reported that in terms of collecting information consideration needs to be given to children with disabilities and there is a need to ensure that relevant information is being mapped.
Ms Hardy	Ms Hardy advised that the issues were highlighted at the last Partnership meeting.
Ms Black	Ms Black advised that she would make a commitment regarding representation although she is concerned that there is an imbalance.
Ms Walker	Ms Walker suggested it is a conversation that needs to be had with representatives from CYPSP.

Mr Girvan Ms Andrews	Mr Girvan reported on behalf of North Belfast; he advised that Mr Gerry Largey had been nominated as Interim Chair. Progress is slow. The session was well attended although there continues to be gaps. A meeting is scheduled with Mr Largey for 26 June and Mr Girvan agreed to follow up. Ms Andrews reported for East Belfast. She advised that there has not been a follow up meeting to date as it was hoped to combine the meeting with Family Support Hubs. A date has still to be agreed. Ms Andrews advised that there may be value in encouraging people to indicate their willingness to participate. Ms Walker agreed to ensure that any Locality Planning feedback will be circulated to all Outcomes Members.
Ms Walker Ms Black	h. Mapping Resources across Partnership
WS DIACK	Ms Walker asked if Ms Hardy could access the previous information provided and whether the template is fit for purpose. It was suggested that it needs to be more defined and some guidance provided. Ms Black stated there is an issue around undertaking a mapping exercise; they are trying to deliver a Corporate Framework in the City Council. Action : Ms Hardy agreed to update the template and guidance and circulate for comment prior to asking members to collate information.
	5. Any Other Business
	Update Our Action Plan
Ms Geelan	Ms Geelan will be leading on this task and will feedback at the September meeting regarding timescales and information available.
	Social Clauses in Procurement
Mr Leeson	Mr Leeson reported there was one meeting. NIHE has undertaken work around Social Clauses. Social Enterprises requires further work. A report will be provided later in the year.
Ms Gregory	Early Years & SureStarts
	Ms Gregory reported that there was an event held in Belfast on 29 May and there was upwards of 160 people attended. The purpose was to show how services are working together for children and young people and help people understand 'Partnerships'. Ms Gregory thanked everyone for their contribution.
Ms Walker/Ms	Linkages with Strategic Partnerships (BSP)

Hardy Ms McBrien	Ms Walker and Ms Hardy advised that they provided a presentation to BSP and issues were discussed. Ms McBrien advised that the presentation was well received. Discussions were around the need to develop the interface with the partnership and improve communication. There are various areas where appropriate links are being considered. A further meeting will be planned by Ms McBrien to take this discussion forward. Action : Ms McBrien to arrange meeting.
	Community Planning & Locality Planning Linkages
Ms Walker	Ms Walker reported that there will be a follow-up meeting with Belfast City Council to discuss linkages, locality, planning and link with community planning to be clear around join up.
	Summer Protests
	Mr Girvan raised the issue of the possibility that the risk is high with regard to tensions around flags and summer season.
Ms Walker	Ms Walker stated that the role of the Outcomes Group needed to be clear. The Group had commissioned a range of new Services (although awaiting sign off) based on the agreed priorities of the Outcomes Group many of which targeted young people and focussed on interfaces. The Group could further consider the issues raised when it reviews its priorities and action plans but would need to take into consideration the considerable input from a number of sources.
Ms Black	Ms Black reported that work has been on-going from a Council perspective.
	Date of Next Meeting
	The Belfast Outcomes Meeting will be held on Wednesday 11 September 2013 at 10.00 am in the Conference Room, 1 st Floor, Shankill Wellbeing and Treatment Centre, 83 Shankill Road, Belfast.
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