

Southern Area Outcomes Group

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 29th February 2012, 9.30am,
Boardroom, Trust Headquarters, Craigavon Area Hospital

Present:

David Douglas Assistant Director Family Support & Safeguarding
(representing Mr Morgan)
Anne Hardy, HSCB
Gerard Houlahan, Armagh & City District Council
Julie Patton, CiNI
Una Geehan, HSCNI
Gerry Bleakney, PHA
Sam Cordner, PSNI
Eddie Wallace, VOYPIC
Mary Haughey, Project Manager, Interrig IVA Outcomes for Children
Colm McCafferty, SHSCT
Jackie Valentine, Parenting NI
Michael Heaney, Youth Justice Agency
Alison Patterson, Local Commissioning Group Representative

Apologies:

Paul Morgan, Chair
Valerie Maxwell, HSCNI
Maurice Leeson, Barnardos
Stephen Smith, Craigavon Intercultural Programme
Geraldine Maguire, SHSCT
Marie Cavanagh, Gingerbread NI
Ruth Bell, SELB
Lorraine Campbell, NIHE
Una Walsh, Women and Family Health Initiative

Minutes:

Barbara Joyce, SHSCT

1.0 Welcome and Introductions

David commenced the meeting by welcoming members and a round of introductions followed.

2.0 Apologies

Apologies were noted as above.

3.0 Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes from the meeting held on the 13th December were agreed as an accurate record.

4.0 Matters Arising

David advised that matters arising from the previous meeting, have been addressed through the agenda.

5.0 Performance Indicators

Draft performance indicators were agreed by the group as follows:

Health and wellbeing

- a) Reduction of family support referrals to Southern Trust Gateway Service.
- b) No unallocated family support referrals across the Gateway Service and Family Intervention Teams.
- c) Increase of level 2 family support referrals to Southern Area Locality Family Support Hubs.

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- a) Families living outside of Surestart areas are able to access level 2 family support services when required.
- b) Increase of number of families from BME&rural areas accessing Family Support Services.

Living in Safety with Stability

- a) Increase of young people involved in initiatives which promote good citizenship.
- b) Increase in media attention of good news stories involving young people involved in good citizenship initiatives.

Enjoying Learning and achieving

- a) Increase of primary 6 and 7 children achieving over 85% attendance at school.
- b) Increase of post primary year 8 and 9 achieving over 85% attendance at school.
- c) Increase of 16 year olds achieving maths and English qualifications which will increase their training and employment opportunities.
- d) Increase of 16 year olds remaining at school for further education.

6.0 Distribution of Non-recurrent monies from HSCB

Criteria and guidance was shared with the group. Due to the short turnaround time, a Panel met to consider the funding applications. It was noted that the Panel had to ensure applications were fully completed, and met the requested criteria. A breakdown of allocation of the 100k was shared with the group.

Anne Hardy reported that she will be preparing a briefing report for the CYPSP in relation to non-recurrent monies. Anne commended the panel.

Action – Anne Hardy to circulate finalised report to members re non-recurrent monies.

Discussion followed regarding allocation of surplus monies (£3845.80), Julie Patton tabled a document detailing proposals for the remainder of the money. See below -

Proposals included:

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| Community Based Art/Culture Project | £2000 |
| Family Support Fair Dungannon | £500 |
| Money Management Courses | £200 |
| Raising Aspirations for Young People In the Armagh Area | £150 |

The group endorsed the above.

7.0 Locality Updates

Julie Patton updated members on the Locality Planning Groups, the following points were noted:

The Dungannon Locality Partnership recently hosted a visit from the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Children and Young People. The group were able to discuss the issues relating to children and young people.

The Banbridge Locality Partnership have in a place a structure which includes a number of community based forums with an overarching strategic cross agency partnership. Discussions have taken place with regard to how this process can have a focus on children and young people and link to the CYPSP and Southern Area Outcomes Group. An event has been organised on Thursday 15th March at 5pm at the Enterprise Centre in Banbridge.

The Newry Partnership is currently being developed with over ten agencies interested in becoming members.

The South Armagh Local Planning Group as part of the CAWT Outcomes for Children Project has been set up. This group will also link to the Southern Area Outcomes Group and will provide information regarding the issues relating to children and young people in the area.

Action - report to be circulated to members of the Southern Area Outcomes Group.

8.0 Family Support Hubs

As Maurice Leeson was absent, Colm McCafferty updated members.

Three Hubs have been established covering three areas – A&D, C&B, and N&M. The Hubs have met over the last six months to plan implementation.

The Hubs have established working protocols and an operational handbook has been written to set out how the Hubs will operate.

Statutory membership of the Hubs includes Gateway Single Point of Entry, Health Visiting, Surestart and CAMHS. Negotiations with SELB to join are on-going. Clare Mangan has invited Maurice Leeson to attend a meeting of senior staff in SELB to explain role of Hubs as part of process of facilitating their involvement.

Voluntary/Community membership includes HomeStart, Orana, South Down Family Health Initiative, Springwell. Zero 18, Opportunity Youth, NIACRO, Womens Aid (Newry) and Barnardo's.

Hubs will go 'live' over March/April 2012 and will begin to accept referrals. Initial referrals will come from the Gateway Single Point of Entry and existing Hub members. Further opening up of the referral pathway will be reviewed within 6 months which will take account of referral activity during this period.

The Trust will provide administrative support to the Hubs.

9.0 Any Other Business

Consultation Process – Anne Hardy

Anne advised that herself and Una Geehlan, will be working on the collation of responses. Anne further advised that they are expecting a high volume of responses. It was also noted that a day has been set aside for collation.

Anne commented that if members were interested in responses, they are very welcome to join them on collation date, which is the 16th April. Anne also advised that they will notify members of the number of responses received.

Action plans are to be with the CYPSP by June 2012. David explained that the meeting to be held on the 25th April will be used to work on the action plan.

Action – David to speak with Paul Morgan re meeting on 25th April.

Regional Update- Anne Hardy

Anne reported that all five outcome group chairs had met recently with Fionnuala McAndrews to look at linkages between Outcomes Groups, Regional Subgroups and the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership. Anne will be reporting to the CYPSP on the consultation process and the allocation of non-recurrent monies.

The group acknowledged work done by Maurice Leeson in relation to the HUBS and the important progress which has been made.

10.0 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on the 25th April, 9.30am, venue to be confirmed.

Dates for the remainder of the year will be circulated.