

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLANNING
LARNE LOCALITY PARTNERSHIP**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 1st JULY 2014 AT
10.00AM IN SIR THOMAS DIXON BUILDINGS, LARNE**

PRESENT:	David McAllister	<i>Larne Borough Council</i>
	Gemma Lutton	<i>CYPSP (Minute Taker)</i>
	Geraldine MacManus	<i>NHSCT - Health Visiting</i>
	John Finnigan	<i>Barnadros</i>
	Joy McNally	<i>Larne YMCA</i>
	Maeve O'Neill	<i>LPSP Action for Children</i>
	Sandra Anderson	<i>CYPSP</i>
	Selena Ramsey	<i>CYPSP</i>
	Sinead Hanna	<i>NHSCT – Health Visiting</i>

APOLOGIES:	Claire Roper	<i>NHSCT</i>
	Liz Brown	<i>NICMA</i>
	Tracey Colgan	<i>PHA</i>

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Selena welcomed the group to the meeting and apologies were noted.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

One amendment was given and the minutes were agreed as being a true and accurate recording of the previous meeting held on **14th January 2014**.

MATTERS ARISING

None noted.

CHILL AND SPILL SUB GROUP – UPDATE

Selena provided background information to the Chill and Spill pilot in Carrickfergus. Selena explained this was previously piloted in Carrickfergus College with all year groups. It was identified after an evaluation of the pilot the best age group to target were Year 11+.

It was decided to run this programme in the Larne area and information was circulated to each of the Post Primary Schools in Larne. Larne High School responded to say they were keen to have this project in their school. The YMCA One Stop Shop will be the lead on this project.

Sandra met with 6 pupils from year 10 & 11 from Larne High School, with the purpose of fully engaging with young people from the onset. Decisions were made by the group present surrounding the plans for Chill & Spill.

- The name was agreed to be 'Relax and Chillax'
- Wednesday was the best day
- Agreed time was 12.50pm – 1.30pm

The pupils brainstormed and came up with different ideas for Relax & Chillax. It was noted they want to be involved in advertising and the promotion of Relax & Chillax. Some rules were also set by the young people. Posters were also designed which need to be drafted on the computer and printed. Young people from YMCA will develop the brand/ logo and Gemma will draft poster/ business card on computer.

Action: Gemma

Sandra is liaising with Miss Stevenson within Larne High School regarding the launch date for Relax and Chillax.

Selena informed the group a sub group meeting took place to discuss the branding of Relax & Chillax. There were also discussions around the potential of using the Youth Centre as the space for Relax & Chillax.

It was agreed Ian and Karen are going to share information at an assembly in Larne High the week before the launch of Relax & Chillax. Selena will coordinate the dates for this.

Action: Ian / Karen

Selena agreed to order a photographer for the launch date on Wednesday 24th September 2014.

Action: Selena

LARNE/CARRICKFERGUS HUB – UPDATE

Maeve informed the group Action for Children have been successful in securing the tender. It was noted staff will have to be appointed, but Claire McKay will continue to work on this. Another member of staff has been employed to work over the summer period.

ACTION PLAN- MERGE

The group worked together to review and merge the Larne Locality Partnership Action Plan 2012/2014 for a New Action Plan being developed for the Larne Locality Group.

It was agreed Selena will write up notes from today's discussion and circulate to members for comments.

Action: Selena

UPDATE FROM MEMBERS

John Finnigan – Barnardos

John provided information on safe choices which is a project run by Barnardos and was established in 2004 and previously called Beyond the Shadows. Safe Choices work with children and young people who are in the care system but who are going missing from their place of residence and as a result are at risk of being sexually exploited. Choices work with young people aged 10-18 years offering support on a one-to-one basis and group work. 9 Senior Practitioners are involved in this project and cover all of NI.

John discussed child sexual exploitation and the different forms of child sexual exploitation. A mini booklet about sexual exploitation and a guide for those working within children and young people were handed to everyone present. It was noted copies can be printed from visiting the website www.barnardos.org.uk

If anyone has concerns about child sexual exploitation contact Barnardos NI, Safe Choices on 028 9065 8511.

David McAllister – Larne Borough Council

David noted plans for summer programmes are being finalised. Residentials/outdoor activities are included as part of these programmes. David highlighted the need to get an additional worker for residentials as he is a lone worker.

Joy McNally – Larne YMCA

Afterschool's clubs will be running full time over the summer in July and August. Joy noted it was National Play Day on the 6th August and as part of this YMCA, Larne have organised a Play day on Saturday 9th August in Dixon Park, Larne from 2.00pm – 4.30pm. The aim of this is to support play opportunities and parents to bring their kids. Everyone is welcome to come along. Joy agreed to circulate information and this will be forwarded to the group.

Action: Joy

Maeve O'Neill – Larne Parental Support

Maeve noted individual support is on-going. A summer Baby Club will be running from 21st July – 18th August from 10.30am – 12.00noon for parents and children under 3 years.

NHSCT – Health Visiting

Child Safety Awareness Week was 23-29 June 2014 and Health Visiting team had stands with information at Asda.

It was noted a number of safety talks are scheduled for over the summer and raising awareness for safety in the sun.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Nothing discussed.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 9th September 2014** at **10.00am** in **Sir Thomas Dixon Buildings, Larne.**

David agreed to check availability of the room before details are circulated.

Action: David