Fermanagh Locality Planning Group

Neville Armstrong Chairperson





LOCALITY PLANNING

PLANNING
FOR ALL
CHILDREN
IN THE AREA

Locality Planning Aims

To improve outcomes for all children and young people in this area by :

- Listening to local children and young people, their parents and local communities
- Building on the strengths of families and local communities
- Building on existing social partnerships
- Providing a needs led range of leisure, social, health, educational and housing services in locally agreed and accessible locations.

What do they do?

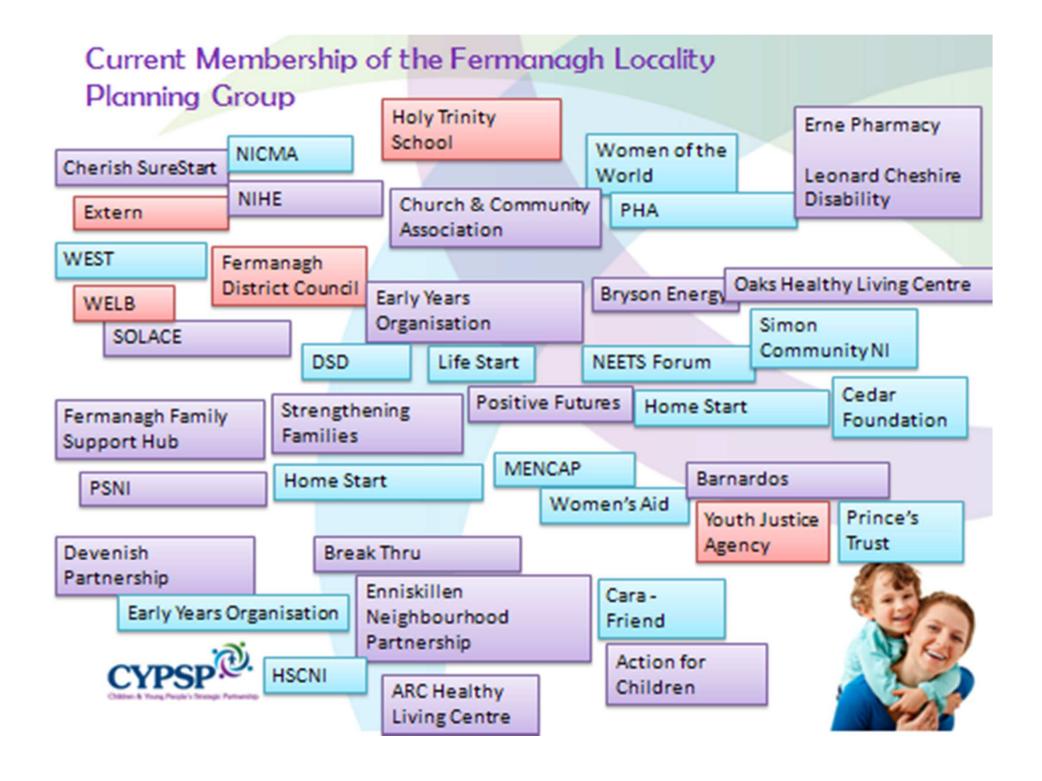
The role of each locality planning group is to:-

Be a **partnership** between children and young people, families, communities and representatives of agencies at locality level at a geography that makes sense to the local community

Draw up a locality **plan** to address priorities identified through **outcomes based planning** and to

mobilise local resources from the statutory, voluntary and community sectors to address these priorities – as part of the Children and Young People's Plan





Some Key Achievements

- Identified key priorities and developed Fermanagh Action Plan
- Further refined local priorities into three overarching areas which were presented to the Western Outcomes Group
- Held Stakeholder Events to attract new resources and improve partnership-working;
- Set up subgroups to look at trends around Foetal Alcohol Syndrome, food banks, youth service provision and domestic violence
- Mapped key partnerships across Fermanagh for Hub development and has worked in partnership since to assist in identifying unmet need



Benefits For Fermanagh and Further Across NI

- Planning happens closer to child (whole child model)
- Service development to meet locally identified needs
- Improved outcomes (outcomes monitoring report)
- Greater ownership by communities
- Greater interagency referrals and co-ordination between services
- Consistent framework across Northern Ireland





Challenges for the future.....

- Economic landscape keeping local needs on the agenda
- Rural isolation Keeping the needs of Fermanagh in focus in Belfast
- Local Government how the new 'Super Councils' will relate locally
- Focus on needs for our children autism etc
- Education how parents can make their case in the face of authority
- Employment how can we best encourage our children to focus on subjects that prepare then for the future ...
- Focusing on doing our best for eur families Strategic vision and playing our part



