



**Strabane Locality Planning meeting  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2014  
10.00am Alley Theatre**

**Attending:** Mustpha Ben Hassine      Barnardos /Family Support Hub  
Gerard Mc Fadden                      Strabane District Council  
Patricia Houston                        WELB  
Yvonne Tracy                             Rainbow SureStart  
Noletta Smyth                          Early Years Organisation  
Julie Connolly                          North West Volunteers  
Catherine                                 Simon Community  
Bronagh Donnelly                        CYPSP

**Apologies:** Janine Sayers                      Citizens Advice Bureau  
Chris Mc Daid                            Extern  
Aodhan Harkin                          Strabane Sigersons GAA  
Eilish Mc Closkey                      WHSCT  
Margaret Mc Laughlin                 Dennett Interchange  
Celine Ward                              WHSCT/HV  
Liz Kavanagh                            Barnardos

**Welcome and Introduction:**

Bronagh welcomed everyone to the meeting and carried out a round of introductions

**Matters Arising:**

**Western Outcomes Group:**

Bronagh gave an update from the Western Outcomes group. She informed the group of the EITP – Early Intervention Transformation Programme and gave a synopsis of the presentation given by Amanda Mc Lean, the group welcomed the EITP and are keen to meet with Amanda to discuss the needs in Strabane and to get further information on how the project will be rolled out in the district and how the transformational piece will look like in practice. Bronagh agreed to email the presentation to all members so that they could have a more in-depth read of the presentation.

Bronagh also informed members that the Western outcomes group membership applications was currently out for new members and advised

members to have a read of the papers and if there were interested in applying to submit their expression of interest as soon as possible.

Bronagh also informed the group of the 3 successful applicants who received money from the western outcomes group over the summer period to pilot projects that were aligned to the Western Outcomes Groups priorities they were:

Strengthening Families – Derry Healthy Cities

Mentoring Programme – Dry Arch Children’s Centre, Dungiven

Speech & Language Therapist – Trust Employee/ Speech & Language

Communication Family Support Worker – Arc Healthy Living Centre, Irvinestown

### **Mapping exercise:**

Bronagh gave an update on the mapping exercise that the group had expressed their wish to be carried out, she informed the group that a number of completed applications have come in but response had been slow and she reiterate to all present to please submit a completed questionnaire and said that she would put the call out again and put a push on for members to send in completed questionnaires as soon as possible so that the scoping exercise could be completed.

### **Hub Update:**

Mustapha gave an update on the Strabane family support hub and gave members an overview on how Strabane hub worked and who the hubs steering group partnership were. He informed members that any new service provider in the district can come and present to the steering group, Relate are presenting at the next meeting at end of September as they are now providing an outreach service in Strabane and welcomed any new provider to also come and present their service. Yvonne asked if the service covered Newtownsteward and Mustapha had reassured her that it did and also Castledearg, Yvonne also enquired as to whether a representative from Castledearg sat on the steering group and Mustapha informed her that there wasn’t so it was agreed that both Yvonne and Mustapha would meet to discuss further.

Bronagh asked Mustapha about the referral mechanism, Mustapha will email a copy of the referral form to Bronagh so that it can be distributed to all members of the LPG so that they may make a referral were appropriate.

### **AOB:**

Yvonne informed all members that Rainbow SureStart now have new premises which has been financed by a local business man and it now means that all SureStart services can be delivered directly out of one building, yvonne offered to host the next Locality planning meeting in the new premises in Castledearg and the group gratefully accepted.

### **Date of next meeting:**

Next Meeting: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 10am Rainbow SureStart, Castledearg