

Minutes from Armagh Locality planning group-9th October 2014 at 10am Fire Station, Armagh

Facilitators:

Julie Bolton (CYPSP)

Ciara Burke (Closing the gap)

Attendees:

Ronan Garvey (CAPS)

Rory McManus (Bryson Energy)

Thelma Donnan (Toybox)

Julie Ligget (New Life Counselling)

Blaine McCartney (Barnardo's DCYPPP Project)

Fiona Gribben (New Life Counselling)

Barbara Chapman (SELB - EWO)

Colleen O'Hare (Armagh Traveller Support Group)

Mia Murray (Arke Sure Start)

Stacey Nugent- (Include Youth)

Jacqueline Connolly (HSCT- Promoting well being

team)

Geraldine Donnelly (Safe and Well Project)

Apologies:

Donna Kirk (REACT)

Joanne McCourt - (Belfast Central Mission)

John Doyle (PCSP)

Kate Haffey (Downs Xtra)

Kieran Quinn (PSNI)

Magerita O'Donnell - (Neighbourhood Renewal)

Michelle Grant (Northern Ireland Childminding

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Association)

Michelle McDonald- (Opportunity Youth)

Pat McGeough (Barnardo's)

Rosie Carey (SELB Youth Service)

Ruth Briggs- Homestart

Valerie Fletcher (LA Project)

Rachel Macauley (Action for Children)

Rachel Power (Simon Community)

Eileen Murphy (Woman's Aid)

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1.0	WELCOME, APOLOGIES and MINUTES Ciara welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were recorded followed by a round of introductions.	Minutes were agreed.
2.0	 Updates; Employability Fair- 21st October (Everyone welcome to come along) Music Therapy sessions for Downs Xtra- Shane Harvey 	
3.0	CYPSP Planning Cycle Julie explained both the CYPSP Southern Outcomes Action Plan (behind in the cycle by two months) and the - Children and Young People's Plan 2015-2018. The Southern Outcomes Action Plan will be out for Consultation Jan/Feb 2015.	
4.0	Emerging needs in Armagh area High number of Bulgarian families in the Armagh area Hate crimes- foreign nationals	
5.0	Guest Speaker- Rory McManus (Bryson Energy) Fuel Poverty or struggling to adequately heating the home is a real issue for so many families in NI. Households on low incomes, living in poorly insulated houses with inefficient heating systems are especially vulnerable to the cold. Living in a cold damp home poses risks not only for a family's physical health but also their mental well being as the cost of heating may lead to debt and	To access the service families can contact us on 0800 1422

stress.

We are trying to make it easier for families to access the independent advice and energy efficiency schemes that are available to help. Working with children and family focused organizations we are hoping you will help us identify families who could really benefit from our service. 865/02866340782 or I am happy to take referrals directly to my email address.

Our service is a One Stop Shop for families providing advice on reducing energy costs in the home and accessing the grant schemes offering measures like insulation and new boilers that make homes warmer.

As we move into the heating season many families may be thinking about energy costs and keeping the home warm so it's a great time to highlight our service.

6.0 Member agency update

Mia- Arke Sure Start- Armagh City and Keady, Under school age, recruiting new staff at present, New two year old programme, home from home, anti- natal work, Play development, dietician, Speech and Language Therapist.

Ronan- Child and Parent Support Group working with 8-13 year olds with significant difficulties at home and school. Also work with parents through parent groups, team of 5. Ronan is the Education worker along with Parent support workers. Early Intervention really important in this work. Referrals usually from Social Worker, PSNI, Education Behaviour support etc. Based in Portadown. Host of the Family Support Hubs- Banbridge and Craigavon.

Barbara- Education Welfare Officer

Education welfare officer. Primary and Secondary. New comers and traveller children. Accessing resources.

Jacqueline- Community and Development worker (HSCT) Support local Community Groups, new community groups, funding applications, new funding out with PHA, Volunteering, committee skills etc. Working with Clady group, Parent and Toddler groups and Barnardo's group. Any problems please contact Jacqueline on Tel: 028 37 412516/

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Geraldine- Safe and Well Programme- Offering driving theory, Breast Screening pilot, SVP- drop in (Keady), Craigavon Traveller support group doing ECDL. .

Stacey- Include Youth- work with Young People who can't cope with mainstream. Currently working with 12 Young People. Age group 16-21 years/Care experienced Young People. Give and Take programme. Referrals from 16+ team. Anger management and football programme.

Colleen-Armagh Traveller Support Group- Child and Family worker, currently got x3 Young People working with Barry from the SPICE project, Driving theory, working with Safe and Well to deliver Literacy and Essential Skills. Young people in Summer Scheme in Keady. One young person on the CAPS project at present.

Blane- Barnardo's DCYYPP- Research at Queens, Emotional Well being key issue and Cross conference.

Julie Liggett- New Life Counselling- Post primary schools, project is in all schools- under 1000 x 3 and over 1000 x 5. Language barrier can be a problem at some schools.

Thelma-Toybox Early Years- Working with TES- Karen Turner, Playgroups x4 and 3 Two Year Programme. Encourage families to sign up to programmes/playgroups etc.

Thank you all for attending and contributing to the meeting.

Please note the new dates for the next locality planning meetings are;

3rd December 2015