

**Minutes of the North Belfast Locality Planning Group held on
Tuesday 11th February 2014 at 10am in Mount Vernon Community
House.**

Present:

Name:

Katrina Newell
Una Casey
Maria McCafferty
Alison Templeton
Brenda Lapping

Peter Day
Gary Symington
Caroline Milligan
Sean Montgomery
Christine McKeown
Julie Jamieson

Criag Carlisle
Gabi Mornhinweg
Laura Forte
Kevin Regan

Kelly Maxwell
Patricia O'Lynn
Rebekah Hamilton
Sarah Kelly
Roisin McGrann
Gerry Largey
Annette McCann
Karen Burns

Organisation:

Ashton Community Trust (Interim Chair)
CYPSP
Star Neighbourhood Centre
New Life Counselling
Cliftonville Community Regeneration
Forum
North Belfast Partnership
Lighthouse
Glenbrook SureStart
Skegoneill Glandore Common Purpose
Ashton Community Trust
New Lodge Duncairn Community Health
Partnership
Belfast Boys Model School
Belfast Health and Social Care Trust
Barnardo's
Drug and Alcohol Mental Health
Services
NIACRO
Extern/ AEP
Star Neighbourhood Centre
Star Neighbourhood Centre
Early Years Organisation
Belfast Health and Social Care Trust
Save the Children
Belfast Health and Social Care Trust

Apologies:

Name:

Catherine Magennis
Donna Neill

Organisation:

Family Nurse Partnership
Homestart

Carolyn Stewart

MENCAP

Justine Brown
Janice Clarke
Billy Hutchinson

North Belfast Partnership
Girls Model School
Mount Vernon Community
Development Forum

In Attendance:

Glen Little

10,000 Voices

Welcome and Introductions:

Katrina welcomed everyone to the meeting and a round of introductions took place.

Apologies:

Apologies were noted as above.

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 14th January.

Alison Templeton highlighted that the main office of New Life Counselling is in Ardoyne, not Duncairn. Una will amend this accordingly in the minutes.

The remaining minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Presentation - Karen Burns Geomapping of Gateway (see attached presentation)

Karen explained the background to the mapping exercise that was carried out over a 6 month period looking at referrals to gateway and the referrals that did not meet the threshold for social services intervention. She highlighted that over a quarter of all the referrals came from North Belfast. She explained that many of the referrals that present into gateway have more than one issue, parental and young person's drug

and alcohol misuse, mental health of parents and child or young person were very prevalent as were behaviour issues. Karen explained that many of the referrals that were “assessed but not transferred” would be the types of issues that would be appropriate for a Family Support Hub at a Tier 2 level.

Discussions took place about issues of mental health and recognised diagnoses and also young people with unrecognised emotional issues who are taking drugs to cope.

Action: Kevin Regan to give a presentation at a future meeting.

A discussion followed about Family Support Hubs and the role that the Locality Planning Groups would have in identifying the number needed and the area covered by them. Members agreed that a more in-depth discussion needed to take place about the Family Support Hubs. It was agreed that a future meeting would be set aside to focus specifically on Family Support Hubs.

Identifying Key Priorities for Action Planning in North Belfast

As suggested at the January meeting Una had worked on a paper examining the 4 neighbourhood renewal partnership action plans in North Belfast. Una sifted through all the priorities in the NHR action plans relating specifically to children and young people into a single paper. She explained that there were a number of recurring themes. These are:

- Barriers to employment for parents/childcare/early years
- Parents/grandparents as role models/role of fathers/parental support/family tensions
- Sexual health
- Low educational attainment/support for parents and their children with homework/School & Community relationships/awareness raising of trades
- Perception of Young people
- Safety/community safety/good relations
- Mental Health

- Drugs & Alcohol
- Volunteering
- At risk/hard to reach/isolation
- Shared space/outdoor play
- Co-ordination of children & young people & family services
- Young carers
- Youth opportunities/youth forum/youth facilities/sports coaching/youth service provision/peer role models/community involvement/participation.

Members suggested that the action planning for the group needed some extra time and it was agreed that the meeting on the 11th March would take the form of a half day action planning workshop.

Action: All members to attend action planning workshop. Una to circulate sift of NHR Action Plans, Statistics and Karen's presentation in advance.

Any Other Business

Glen Little explained that 10,000 Voices was a regional initiative that gives patients, as well as their families and carers, the opportunity to share their overall experience and highlight anything important, such as what they particularly liked or disliked about the experience in order to improve future services. Glen is trying to connect with as many people and groups as possible to collect their experiences. He asked members of the group who would have links with patients and carers who might like to talk to him about their experiences to contact him.

Date of Next Meetings

Action Planning Workshop Tuesday 11th March at 10am 174 Trust

**Tuesday 8th April at 10am in Ligoniel Improvement Association,
Wolfhill Centre 148 Ligoniel Rd BT14 8DT**